

# St. Paul's United Church

May 12th, 2019 - 4th Sunday of Easter & Mother's Day

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.  
At the points marked \* - those who are able are invited to stand.

*Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.*

*Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.*  
-Matt 10:40

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

**Prelude:**

\* **Introit:** This Is The Day MV 122

**This is the day that God has made,  
we will rejoice and be glad!  
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we will rejoice and be glad!**

\* **Greeting (Responsive):**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\* **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Welcome & Announcements**

\* **Gathering Hymn:** Who Is My Mother MV 178

\* **Call to Worship (Responsive):**

Come, you who have been set apart, chosen as the hands and feet of God.

**We come at the Spirit's call.**

Come, you who have been gifted, blessed as partners in the building of the kingdom.

**We come to rediscover the Word.**

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## Office Hours

	<b>Rev. Richard</b>	<b>Rev. Michelle</b>
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<b>Sun.:</b>	By Appointment	By Appointment
<b>Mon.:</b>	9am - noon	10 am - noon
<b>Tues.:</b>	By Appointment	By Appointment
<b>Wed:</b>	12-2 pm	10:30-12:30 pm
<b>Thurs.:</b>	12-2 pm	12-2 pm
<b>Friday:</b>	Day off	Day off

*These hours are subject to change due to Emergency Pastoral Care, meetings and other church business elsewhere.*

## Upcoming Weekly Activities

<b>Monday-Friday</b>	8:30 am-4 pm	Adult Learning Association
	8-5:30 p.m.	English Second Language
	11:30-1 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
<b>Mon., Wed., Friday</b>	12-1 pm	Exercise Group - Gym
<b>Tuesday &amp; Thursday</b>	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
<b>Mon., Tues. &amp; Sat.</b>	7-9 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
<b>Mon-Thurs</b>	6:30-8 pm	Taekwondo
<b>Monday</b>	7-9 p.m.	Floor Hockey - gym
<b>Tuesday</b>	6:30-8 pm	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
	7 pm	F'ton Choral Society
	7 pm	Barber Shopper's Chorus
<b>Wednesday</b>	9 - 11am	Pantry
<b>Thursday</b>	7-8:15 pm	Senior Choir
	9 am-noon	Play Group - gym
<b>Friday</b>	7:30-9:30 pm	Youth Group (twice a month)
<b>Saturday</b>	10 am-noon	Taekwondo
<b>Sunday</b>	9:15 am	Bible Study - Conference Room

**YOUTH & FAMILY NEWS**

**Youth group (JR/SR High)** will be gathering for Lunch on Monday May 13th from 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.. Let Rev. Michelle michellenarmstrong@hotmail.com know if you can make it and meet at St. Paul's United Church for 11:30 a.m..

**Today in Sunday School:** Bible Verse: "I have seen the Lord." (John 20:18) **Bible Story:** Feed My Sheep (John 21:1-19) Jesus, the Good Shepherd, called Peter to care for the flock that belonged to Jesus. Peter received a commission from the Lord for leadership in the church.

**ATTENTION PARENTS: LOOKING FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS?**

Vacation Bible School is changing! St. Paul's and Wilmot are partnering to host FULL DAY programming. From July 22-26, our Vacation Bible School will be running from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.. The dates are firm, and pre-registration will open soon. Cost for registration is by free-will offering.

**Accommodations:** If you plan to have a meeting or event here on the church premises please inform the office so space can be made available for you. We have many activities here everyday now and we would appreciate knowing of events allowing us to accommodate everyone! Thank you—Cathy

**Hospital** Please advise one of the ministers or the office if you or someone from our midst has to go to hospital. You also need to inform the hospital administration that you want to be on the visitation list for St. Paul's so that Rev. Michelle and Rev. Richard know. They are at the hospital approximately twice a week, we would rather hear 10 times that someone is in hospital than not to hear it at all. Thank you!

Mark your calendar. **Sharing Faith, Living Faith workshop. June 1st, 11am -1pm.** Equipping us to share the joy and passion we have with each other and the world around us. This event will be run by Rev. Richard and Rev. Michelle and a lunch will be provided. Come for the food, stay for the faith!

Come, you who have found the light within and want to let it shine in your life.

**We come to encounter the Christ that we might share him with others.**

Let us join our hearts and minds in worship of the one who calls us, gives us strength, and shows us the way.

**Prayer of Approach**

**Children's Choir:** He's Got The Whole World In His Hands  
arr. By Ruth E. Schram

**Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart & Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem**

**Prayer of Illumination (Unison):** Mary Dingee-Jacobs

**Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Kindle our hearts with the presence of your Spirit, that we may hear your words of comfort and challenge in the reading of the scriptures, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Today's Scripture:** Acts 13:1-3; 14:8-18

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Message** You Want to What?

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\* **Hymn:** As a Fire Is Meant for Burning VU 578

**Prayer of Confession (Unison):**

**Forgive us Lord, for all the ways that we try to make your message to us fit into the worldview that we hold instead of letting your word be the lens through which we see everything. Forgive us when we are gifted for service, yet fail to respond to your call and commissioning to spread your love. Forgive us when we claim a personal relationship with you but fail to let that relationship impact our lives even a little. Merciful God, encourage us, inspire us, guide us we pray as we strive to be your disciples and live into the call you have given us. Hear us, O Christ, as we pray. Amen**

**Assurance of God's Love** (vs 5 tune of VU 377) MV 162

**Christ in love recovered, Christ our hope revealed,  
Christ in faith discovered, Christ our tombs unsealed.**

**\* Moment for Community & Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory**

**\* Dedication Verse:** Hallelujah, give thanks (vs 2) VU 179

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, give thanks to the risen Christ.**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, give praise to God's Name.**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:**

**Jesus has died and is risen.**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, give thanks to the risen Christ.**

**Hallelujah, Hallelujah, give praise to God's Name.**

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People**

**SENDING FORTH**

**\* Closing Hymn:** Sent Forth VU 481

**\* Commissioning (Responsive):**

Go from this place eager to walk the path of Christ, doing the work that God is doing in the world.

**We leave this place, led by the Holy Spirit.**

Go from this place to heal, to hold close, to lift up a world that needs your gifts.

**We leave this place, inspired by the Word.**

Go from this place and proclaim the Good News of Christ risen, creation renewed, hope reborn.

**We leave this place, hand in hand with the Holy One, to share the story of our faith.**

**\* Benediction**

**\* Choral Closing:** As we Walked (vs 5 to tune VU 84) VU 184

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**As Mary and our sisters said,  
the Lord is risen from the dead.**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**Postlude**

**Greeters:** Hannah, Kirsten & Bexie Simpson

**Collectors Upstairs:** Steeves Family

~~**Downstairs: Left Side:** Linda & Alastair Lamont~~

~~**Middle:** Isabel Green~~

~~**Right Side:** Larry Buick & Roger Miller~~

**Coffee Hour (May 19):** UCW

Bulletin covers for the month of May have been donated in loving memory of Don & Phyl Peacock by their daughter's; Carole Peacock, Judy Thorne & Debbie Seymour.

Flowers in the sanctuary are placed in memory of Kaye Dingee, loving mother and grandmother, by daughter Mary and grandchildren Melinda and Michael Jacobs.

Flowers have also been placed In loving memory of Peggy Bird from Bud and all in their family.



A donation has been made to the UCW in loving memory of Audrey McGuire. Always loved, always missed - Connie & Bob, Jessica, Rylie and Nathan.



**Retirement Home Worship:** Big thanks to members of the choir for bringing worship to the residents of St. Anne's Court and Shannex. Later this month at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 16th, St. Paul's will be going to Windsor Court to continue the sharing of worship and prayer.

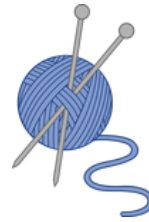
**SERVICES & ACTIVITIES**

**Reflective Bible Study:** Spend time with the word of God, think about what it is saying through the to you today. No bible experience needed. Join Eric Hotte at 9:15 am until 10am in the church office. Next Sunday, the reading will be **Romans 1:1-17**. Following the study, there will be a prayer group until 10:20am. Absolutely everyone welcome! Come to one or both of these exciting and faith building opportunities.

**Streaming Sunday Worship:** We want you to feel like you can worship with us even when you can't be here, perhaps you are travelling, maybe you're sick, or maybe you get a little anxious in a new place and want to see what we are about - we hope that you tune in by following this link <https://zoom.us/j/482746737> (this is the link for the month of May). You should be able to hear the worship service and see what is on the screens.

**Faith5:** On Easter Sunday we provided you with everything you needed to join in this congregational faith practice. If you missed last Sunday get your green insert this week from greeters or in Fraser Memorial Hall. So after two weeks, how has it been going? What do you like about it? Share your experience of this practice with at least one person today.

Yarn Ministry meeting next Wednesday evening,  
May 15, from 7-9 p.m in the Quilter's Parlour.



You are invited: to join the Board in a financial planning workshop on **21 May from 5:30 - 9:30**. The purpose of the workshop: develop a 3 - 5 year strategic financial plan to be introduced to the congregation on June 2, 2019. Rev. Roger Janes, the Stewardship & Gifts Officer – Atlantic Region for the United Church of Canada will be joining us at the workshop and as an advisor on an ongoing basis. This is your chance to make an important contribution to the future of St. Paul's. RSVP: to the church office before 4:00 on 14 May 2019

*Curious about the Loyal Orange Lodges? Visit [www.FredericktonOrangeLodges.ca](http://www.FredericktonOrangeLodges.ca). You may be surprised about what you learn. The Frederickton Orange Lodges invite Christian men to join us. For further info, please email Brian Burrell at [bburrell@nbnet.nb.ca](mailto:bburrell@nbnet.nb.ca)*

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a **"Stuffed Pork Loin Dinner"** on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Tickets; \$15/ person, and \$3/child and to reserve your tickets please call 457-1666.