

St. Paul's United Church

November 3, 2019 – Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
Anniversary Sunday

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

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.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. - Mark 9:2-4

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude: Trio Sonata Number 1 Bach

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.

Land Acknowledgement

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit: Lord Prepare Me (X2) MV 18

**Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary,
Pure and holy, tried and true,
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living Sanctuary for you.**

Welcome & Announcements

* **Gathering Hymn:** This is the Day VU 412

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

Come all you people of God, hear what God has done.

We come to remember God's faithfulness through the years.

Come all you people of God, listen for the voice calling us now.

We come to worship God, to experience the holy, to hear God's word anew.

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Sun.: By Appointment

Mon.: 10-12 pm

Tues.: By Appointment

Wed: 10:30-12:30 pm

Thurs.: 12-2 pm

Friday: Day off

Responsive

office Hours

Eric Hotte

11:30-1:30

10-1

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Day off

Rev. Richard

On Sabbatical

until February

1st 2020

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

Upcoming Weekly Activities

Monday-Friday	8:30 am-4 pm	Adult Learning Association
	8-5:30 p.m.	English Second Language
	11:30-1 pm	AA -Downstairs Lounge
Tuesday	7-9:30	Choral Society
	7-9:30	River Valley Choir
Tuesday & Thursday	12-1 pm	Exercise Group - Gym
Tuesday & Thursday	1-4 pm	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
Mon., Tues. & Sat.	7-9 pm	AA - Downstairs Lounge
Mon-Thurs	6:30-8 pm	Tae kwon do
Wednesday	9-11am	Pantry
Thursday	7-8:30	Choir Practice
Friday	7:30-9:30 pm	Youth Group (Contact Rev Michelle)
Saturday	10 am-noon	Tae kwon do
Sunday	9:15 am	Bible Study - Conference Room

THANK YOU
*for worshipping
with us*

faith

Pantry Needs Toilet paper, puddings Kleenex, cheese wiz, ketchup, mayonaise, dish soap, cleaning supplies, pancake syrup, white sugar, soup except tomato.

Youth group dates Mark them on your calendar now! Nov. 15th, (Carol's by Glow stick on Nov 29th), then Dec 6th.

Christmas Carols, the story of Christmas and Glowsticks! Fredericton's Second Annual Carols by Glowstick is happening at St. Paul's United Nov 29th 6-7pm \$5.50pp \$20 for family of 5.

Other News

Sunday, Nov. 3rd, 3 -5 pm—Spiritual Plaza at Forest Hill United, 45 Kimble Ct. Join us and members of other faith communities for a table format discussion led by the Moderator. Kosher/Hillel snacks provided. Contact: Kris Yarych 506-455-0988

Nashwaaksis United Church 46 Main St, Fredericton is holding their Annual UCW Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 16 – 9 AM-Noon. Bake tables, craft tables, Silent Auction and Continental Breakfast. Stop by and do a little Christmas shopping!

He Giveth More Grace by Annie Johnson Flint

He giveth more grace when the burdens grow greater, He sendeth more strength when the labours increase; To added afflictions He addeth His mercy, To multiplied trials, His multiplied peace.

When we have exhausted our store of endurance,
When our strength has failed ere the day is half done,
When we reach the end of our hoarded resources
Our Father's full giving is only begun.

Fear not that thy need shall exceed His provision,
Our God ever yearns His resources to share;
Lean hard on the arm everlasting, availing;
The Father both thee and thy load will upbear.

His love has no limits, His grace has no measure,
His power no boundary known unto men;
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again.

Come all you people of God, be inspired by our God at work,
We come to ground ourselves in God that we might have the strength to follow God's lead.

Come all you people of God, push aside the competing voices of the world vying for our attention and follow Holy Spirit drawing us to be the church.

We come to worship God.

Opening Prayer

Story Time Verse: I'm gonna Shout MV 183

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Story Time Verse: I'm gonna Shout MV 183

Prayer of Confession (Responsive):

We are stuck God;

**between what we want and what we need,
between what we believe and what we can see,
between who we are and who you would have us be.**

We hear your voice calling out to us, but it is one amongst hundreds.

**So too often; we commit quickly but do not follow through,
we choose the easy solution and immediate gratification when you ask for hard work, we follow what is shiny and new at the expense of our relationship with you and with the world.**

Help us to listen, truly listen for your Voice especially when - the world tries to drown you out.

**Guide us. Forgive us. Heal us. Lead us. This we pray.
Amen**

Assurance of God's Love

Today's Scripture: 1 Kings 18:20-39 **Moderator**

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Speak, O Lord Getty & Townend

Message **Right Reverend Richard Bott**

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** I have called you by your name MV 161

Presentation of Banner
Invitation to the Offering

Offertory O Love that wilt not let me go Mckechnie

*** Dedication Verse:** Grateful MV 182
Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, Joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love. Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*** Closing Hymn:** God of Grace and God of Glory VU 686

*** Commissioning (Responsive)**

You who have heard God's call are being called again,
to go to the world and be the hands and feet of God.
To boldly stand in the midst of the world,
holding out healing and hope as Christ did.
We go to be the miracle that we need to see,
love poured abundantly on the altar of the world just as fire poured down on Elijah's altar.
So go, with the power of the Holy Spirit as your guide!
We go to proclaim the Good News of God's presence, faithfulness and love.

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Closing:** Walk with Me (Refrain and V4) VU 649
Walk with me, I will walk with you and build the land that God has planned where love shines through And when you share your faith with me and work for life made new, The witness of your faithfulness calls me to walk with you.

Postlude Dorian Toccata & Fugue Bach

Announcements

Greeters: Gail and Ralph Stephenson
Collectors **Upstairs:** Susan & Graeme Spencer
Downstairs: **Left Side:** Barbara Cull Wilby and Joe Wilby
Middle: Isabel Green
Right Side: Gail & Ralph Stephenson
Coffee Hour (November 10th): Property

SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

November 3rd, the day we celebrate our anniversary! Today at 5pm we will be joining together for supper to celebrate and have our time talent and treasure auction. Free will spaghetti dinner as well.

Reflective Bible Study and Prayer Group Sundays at 9:15 am in the office. Tammy Landry is hosting. Come enjoy the scripture and watch the sermon come to life! Stick around afterwards for prayer. Everyone is welcome!

Today in Sunday School: Stories that shape our faith Community.
Verse of the Month: "Your word is a lamp before my feet and a light for my journey." (Psalm 119:105) **Bible Story:** Adam and Eve. The snake tempted Adam and Eve to break the rule, and then God disciplined them. They had to leave the garden, but God still loved them and took care of them.

The UCW will be selling Mince Meat Pies, small \$6.00, Large \$13.00. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. We are making pies tomorrow November 4th at 9am. Please come along and join the group!! call Donna Chauvin 458-5885

UCW Luncheon/Bake/Craft sale is on Saturday Nov 16th.

A Capella Music Concert here today! The River Valley Chorus (Fredericton) under the direction of Chris Freeman is hosting the Elm City Echoes Women's Chorus (Fredericton) and the Men of Fundy (Saint John Chorus) this afternoon at 2 pm. here in the sanctuary. If you like A Capella barbershop four part harmonies you won't want to miss this concert. This is a fund raiser for the RVC and a good will offering will be received.