

St. Paul's United Church

October 27th, 2019 - 20th Sunday After Pentecost

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 wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.
Mark 10:44-45

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude: Chorale Prelude Willian
*** 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

*** 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:** All Creatures of Our God and King VU217

* Call to Worship (Responsive):

O God, open our lips,

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

We pray to you, O God; you hear our voices in the morning;

At sunrise we offer our prayer, and wait for your answer.

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Office Hours

Responsive

| | Rev. Richard | Rev. Michelle | office Hours |
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| Cell: | Currently | (506)259-7602 | Eric Hotte |
| Sun.: | On | By Appointment | 11:30-1:30 |
| Mon.: | sabbatical | 10-12 pm | 10-1 |
| Tues.: | | By Appointment | 10-1 |
| Wed: | | 10:30-12:30 pm | 10-1 |
| Thurs.: | | 12-2 pm | 10-1 |
| Friday: | | Day off | Day off |

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

Upcoming Weekly Activities

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| 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

Lunch Bags our bag lunch program is in dire need of proteins like tuna/ham/turkey with pull tab lids. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. This is a wonderful program reaching out to so many that need some nourishment.

Youth group dates Mark them on your calendar now! Nov 1st, Nov. 15th, (Carol's by Glow stick on Nov 29th), then Dec 6th.

Hymn Faith of our Fathers
In Loving Memory of: Marion Hamilton By Lois Walker Gillin
Hymn Here I am Lord
In Loving Memory of: Anna Christie By Lois Walker Gillin

Other News

Sunday, Oct. 27th, 2-6 pm --Pumpkin Carving at Forest Hill United, 45 Kimble Ct. BYOPumpkin, carve with us and leave the mess behind. Carving tools available and assistance for beginners. Contact: Margie Roxborough 506-455-0576

Saturday, Nov. 2nd, 1 -3 pm –Pumpkin Smash at Forest Hill United, 45 Kimble Ct. Launch your Hallowe'en pumpkin using our giant sling and chat with the Moderator over hot chocolate. Parking at St. Margaret's (bottom of the hill). Contact: Margie Roxborough 506-455-0576)

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

Nothing tends more to cement the hearts of Christians than praying together. Never do they love one another so well as when they witness the outpouring of each other's hearts in prayer. — *Charles Finney*

“Walking with God down the avenues of prayer we acquire something of His likeness, and unconsciously we become witnesses to others of His beauty and His grace.” E. M. Bounds

Opening Prayer (Unison):

As on the first day you began the work of creating us; as on a first day you raised your Son from the dead; so on this first day, O Lord, freshen and remake us. And as the week is new, let our lives begin again because of Jesus who shows us your loving power. Amen.

Children's Choir

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Story Time Hymn Draw the Circle Wide MV 145

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Lord, there is nothing you don't already know about each of us. Yet when it comes to our sin, we need to openly, consciously name that in your presence. Forgive us for the wrong we have done in thought, word, and deed. Forgive us for the good we have neglected to do when we had the time and strength to do it. (time for silent confession) Thank you that you never reproach us, or say "I told you so!" You only want our fellowship with you to be restored, for you are the Source of abundant life. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Today's Scripture: Reader: Chris Walker

1 Kings 12:1-17 Matthew 18:15-17 2 Corinthians 10:1-5

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: The Prayer Sager & Foster Fettke

Message A Gentle Answer Turns Away Wrath

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn:** Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life VU681

* **Invitation to the Offering**

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| Offertory | Chantry | Whitlock |
| * 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 (Unison):**

Loving God, the monetary gifts we bring are part and parcel of all of our worship: never perfect, but an offering to you nevertheless. We humbly present all of it to you, trusting that you can set fire to it by your Holy Spirit, to change us and your world for your glory. Let it be so, through the merits of Jesus. Amen.

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*** Closing Hymn:** Make Me A Channel of Your Peace VU 684

Commissioning (Responsive)

Happy are those who help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God,

Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them, who keeps his promises always.

So let us remind one another:

God is our Saviour; we will trust him and not be afraid. The Lord gives us power and strength; he is our Saviour.

*** 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.

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| Postlude | Toccata & Fugue in d minor | Bach |
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Announcements

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| Greeters: | Mary & Earl Staples |
| Collectors | Upstairs: Susan & Graeme Spencer |
| Downstairs: | Left Side: Gail & Ralph Stephenson |
| | Middle: Isabel Green |
| | Right Side: Tammy Coughlan and Dean Jones |
| Coffee Hour | (November 3rd): Worship |

SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

November 3rd, the day we celebrate our anniversary is coming up quickly. It will be a full day! In the morning our band Saints and Sinners will be joined by members of Wilmot and Forest Hill leading us in a hymn sing at 10:10am before service. The Right Reverend Richard Bott, moderator of the United Church will be preaching. Then at 5pm we will be joining together for supper to celebrate and have our time talent and treasure auction. Speaking of talents and treasures, please let Kelly Simpson kelmurandco@gmail.com know what you are putting up for auction.

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: Community Foundations. Verse of the Month: "God said, I'll be with you" Exodus 3:12 **Bible Story** Ten Commandments: The Ten Commandments were the first of many instructions from God. The first four told them how to have relationship with God. The rest told them how to have relationships with each other.

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 on November 4th at 9am. Please come along and join the group!! call Donna Chauvin 458-5885 The Luncheon/Bake/Craft sale is on Saturday Nov 16th.