

St. Paul's United Church

September 22nd, 2019 - Fifteenth 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.

*He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want."
- Mark 14:36*

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude: Pastorale Bancroft

* 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:** Come All You People (X2) MV 2

**Come all you people, Come and praise your maker
Come all you people, Come and praise your maker
Come all you people, Come and praise your maker
Come now and worship the Lord.**

Welcome & Announcements

* **Gathering Hymn:** Come and Find the Quiet Center VU 374

* Call to Worship (Responsive):

When we fear the future,

we call to a faithful God, deliver us!

When our fate seems uncertain,

we call to a faithful God, deliver us!

When a new day brings dread, not promise,

we call to a faithful God, deliver us!

When it is God we struggle with

we call out to a faithful God, deliver us!

As we gather together now to worship,

worship a faithful God, who has delivered us.

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Office Hours

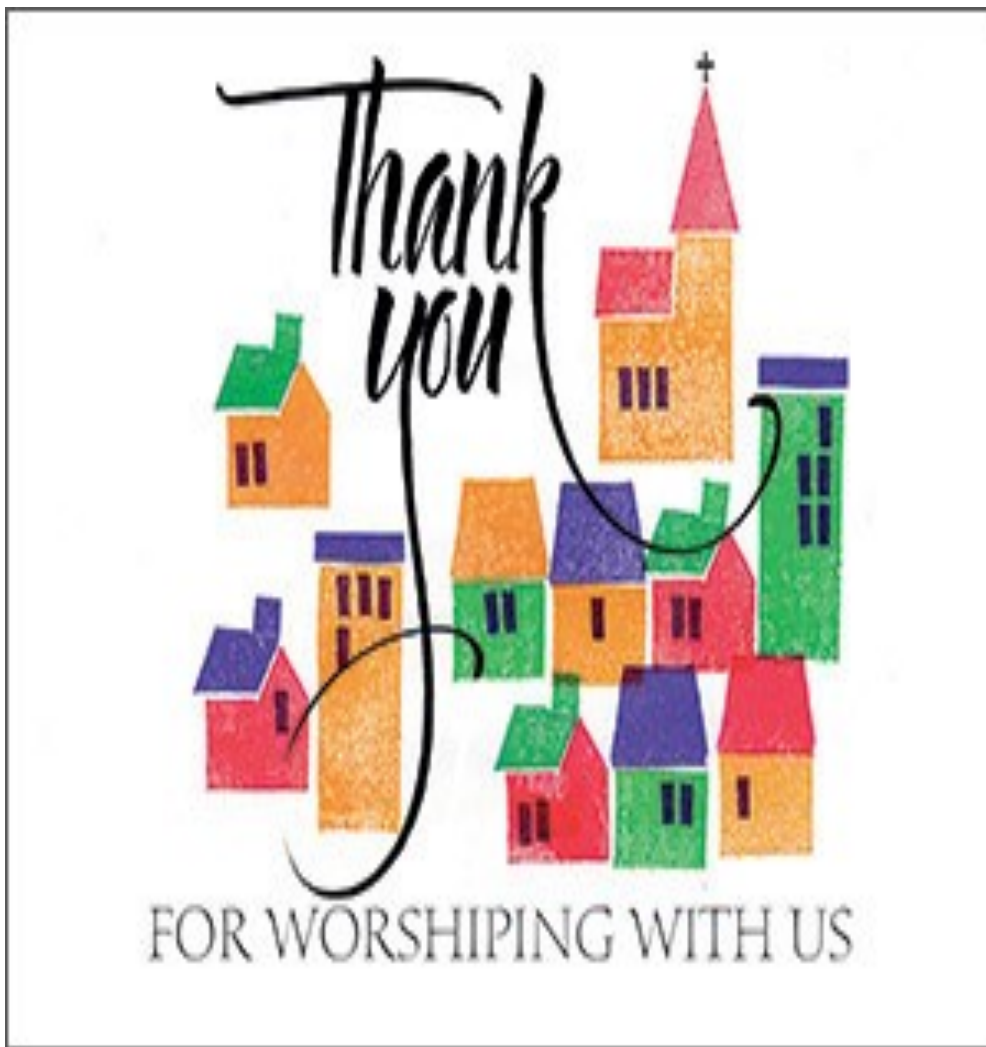
Responsive

	Rev. Richard	Rev. Michelle	office Hours
Cell:	(506)262-2150	(306)858-7602	Eric Hotte
Sun.:	By Appointment	By Appointment	11:30-1:30
Mon.:	9-11 am 1:30-3:30 pm	10-12 pm	10-1
Tues.:	By Appointment	By Appointment	10-1
Wed:	1-3 pm	10:30-12:30 pm	10-1
Thurs.:	1-3 pm	12-2 pm	10-1
Friday:	Day off	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

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



“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

The **Multicultural Association** hosts a sewing program for newcomers each Saturday from 1:00 ~ [5:00](#) at their location [28 Saunders St.](#) It would be lovely to have volunteers lend a hand with sewing tips & sewing machine maintenance to support the growing interest. While giving the gift of time, you receive an enriching cultural experience when joining ladies from around the world. Any number of volunteer hours will be helpful. Marisa, will be happy to receive your calls. Cell [506 447-2618](#) Office [506 452-0660](#)

The UCW will meet in the Lady's Parlour on Monday, September 23rd at 10 AM. Our guest speaker will be Andrew Steeves to tell us about St. Paul's Foundation. Please answer Roll Call with protein products in flip top packaging for the Brown Bag Lunches. All are welcome to join the meeting. Donna Chauvin 458-5885

Doors open Fredericton is your opportunity to see some of Fredericton's most historically and culturally interesting buildings that are not usually open to the public. It is here today 1-4pm.

Spiritual Plaza, Hosted by Forest Hill United Church 180 Smythe St, Fredericton. Sept 16 8pm Oct 21 8pm Nov 18 8pm. We meet once a month to discuss spirituality and theology in a non-denominational setting. Many faiths are represented.

Climate, weather, jobs, health, our right to buy things... Is it possible to live out our spiritual beliefs at the crossroads of science, social needs, economics and nature? An **ECObook Club** is organizing this fall at Wilmot United. On the international bestseller list for 3 years, *The Hidden Life of Trees* is a fascinating, easy to read, but not uncontroversial book from professional forester Peter Wohlleben, who has come to understand trees not as products to be 'harvested' but as complex living social beings, not so unlike ourselves deserving of respect and dignity. Proposed times are mid-week, after lunch or after work, depending on interest. All are welcome. For further info, please contact Kathryn Downton at 506-455-2444, or at treesmatterfredericton@gmail.com. Let's discuss!

Roast Pork Dinner, Saturday, October 5, 5:30 pm, Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street. Enjoy roast pork with homemade apple sauce, potatoes, carrots, turnips, rolls and assorted pies. Pre-ordered take-outs to be picked up at 5:00pm. Cost is \$14. Call Rindy or Tom Austin at 450-7151 for reservations.

Opening Prayer

Story Time Verse: Teach Me God (vs 1) VU 299
**Teach me God to wonder, teach me God to see
Let your world of beauty capture me.
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
Life be celebrated, joy you give.**

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Story Time Verse: Teach Me God (vs 4) VU 299
**Teach me God to know you, hear you when you speak,
See you in my neighbour when we meet.
Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
Life be celebrated, joy you give.**

Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Gracious Lord, we are filled with a mixture of feelings today. Some of us are rejoicing in this wonderful time of rest and relaxation; while some of us continue to seek relief from the burdens and worries that we bear. All of us stand in need of your refreshing and nourishing love and forgiveness. You know how many times we have turned our backs on being in relationship with each other; we have been too busy, to preoccupied with our own problems, too worried that we won't have the answers. Open our eyes to the ways that you call us to be a blessing to others. Give us strength and courage to truly be your loving disciples and forgive us when we stray from the paths of righteousness and peace. This we pray in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Assurance of God's Love

Today's Scripture: Genesis 32:9-30 Ann Krause
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem: Saviour of My Heart Angerman

Message: Struggle with God
RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*** Hymn:** I Have Called You by Your Name MV 161

*** Invitation to the Offering**

Offertory

*** Dedication Verse:** What Can I Do MV 191
**What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

*** Prayer of Dedication**
Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENDING FORTH

*** Closing Hymn:** Sent Forth by God's Blessing VU 481

*** Commissioning (Responsive):**

We wrestled with God,
to achieve a holy blessing.
God called us by our name,
and we gained strength to face each new day.
Surrounded by God's love,
we walk into our fears and uncertainty.
We experienced the Good News and now go to share.
Trusting in a God who is always faithful to lead us on.

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Closing:** Wherever You May Go MV 216
Wherever you may go, I will follow,
And your people shall be my people too.
Wherever you may go, I will follow:
For I will be faithful, loyal and true.

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Announcements

Greeters: Carole Peacock and Maude McNamara
Collectors **Upstairs:** Steeves Family
Downstairs: **Left Side:** Greg Morton and Roger Miller
Middle: Isabel Green
Right Side: Tammy Coughlan and Dean Jones
Coffee Hour (September 29th): Trustees

SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Today after service there is a **Presider information session** in the sanctuary 11:40 grab a quick coffee and come find out more!

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!

Congregational meeting Sept, 29th right after church.

Worship Committee meeting after service today.

Rummage and Boot (trunk) sale is Friday Sept, 27th 5-8 pm and Saturday 28th from 8-12 pm. It will be a great 2 day event. Don't miss out!! Want to donate items to sell? Or Rent a parking spot and sell from the trunk of your car? time to start going through your house and seeing if there is anything you don't need!

*Today in **Sunday School:*** Loving God, Loving Neighbour. Verse of the Month: "The Community of believers was one in heart and mind." (Acts 4:32) **Bible Story:** Community Forgives. Luke 19:1-10. Jesus went home with the unpopular tax collector Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus listened to Jesus' words and changed his ways. He returned the money he had taken. Jesus forgave him and told him salvation had come to his house.

Good Morning Boys and Girls, after service we will be starting our children's choir practice in the Ladies Parlor, after juice and cookies. We have some new music to learn so I will be handing out a new CD . Hope to see you all there after church today.

The Saints and Sinners will be leading a sing-a-long before service on Sept 29, Be here by 10:10 AM and join the happy song lovers at St Paul's no experience necessary

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.

Other News

We are doing a new **Photo Directory with Universal Portraits**, they are coming **September 27th and 28th also October 1st - 5th.** We look forward to having **YOU** included in the new photo directory. This is a great way to be part of the church family. They started calling this week, book your photo session today by calling Universal portrait studios at 1-888-769-7339 ext 2 or online at www.universalportraits.com. Those that participate will receive a free Photo directory!