

St. Paul's United Church

November 17th, 2019 – 21st Sunday After Pentecost

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.

Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed.

- Mark 12:1-3

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude: Pastorale Vierne

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:** Be Thou Vision VU642

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

In the blink of an eye,
our world can change.
From brown and dreary,
to white and frosty.
Come let us worship the one who changes not,
come let us worship our God!

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	Office Hours	Responsive	
	Rev. Michelle	office Hours	Rev. Richard
Cell:	(506)259-7602	Eric Hotte	On Sabbatical
Sun.:	By Appointment	11:30-1:30	until February
Mon.:	10-12 pm	10-1	1st 2020
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

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

St Paul's United Children's Handbell Choir is starting November 17th Sunday's 10-10:30. This program is for children 6 years of age and older. Contact Tricia Berry tmberry@rogers.com.

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

St Paul's Yarn Ministry meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be on the evening of November 20 at 7:00, at the Purrfect Cup Cat Cafe (580 Two Nations Crossing, on the North Side). All are welcome - no previous experience or affiliation with St. Paul's required. Please let Jen Petryshen know if you would like to attend so we can book a spot.

Ucw will have a meeting November 18th at 10:00am

Money counters/Tellers needed. Only one Sunday a month, training provided previous money handling experience is an asset, please let Greg Morton or Eric in the office know and thank you very much.

Other News

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers are selling Christmas Wreaths again this year. Double sided 12 inch balsam fir...Decorated \$15 & Undecorated \$13. Call Nancy MacGarvie at 455-3026 or Sue Short 455-5537. Deadline for orders November 24 & pickup at Wilmot Church December 1st

Angel Tree Alert! keep on the lookout for the angel tree. Every year the people of St. Paul's share their Christmas spirit and generosity by buying gifts for children. There will be tags on the tree for children that need presents. Talk to Sandra Huestis for more info. What an exciting way to spread Christmas Joy!

Gibson Memorial United Church (183 Gibson St.) will be hosting a **"Breakfast and Christmas Market – INN from the Cold"** on **Nov. 30th, 2019, 8 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** Breakfast is \$8 and entrance to the Market is free. All proceeds to the Fredericton Homeless Shelters and the Church Outreach Fund.

Pictures Pictures Pictures, if you ordered pictures they are in the office please stop by and pick them up. If you would like your picture in the directory and didn't get a chance to get your picture taken here, you can send it to stpaulsoffice224@gmail.com Photo directories will not be available until the new year.

Opening Prayer (Responsive):

O Holy One,
God of mystery and truth,
you who tend to your people
as a gardener tends their garden.

We come before you in awe.

When we witness you in our world,
we can scarce believe it is true.

Send your spirit in this place,

alight our hearts once more,

that we might see you in more places,

that we might recognize more of your work,

that we might be instruments of it.

We pray these things in the name of your son:

son of Jesse - Jesus the Christ. Amen

Story Time Verse: I'm gonna Shout MV 183

I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love for Jesus, for Jesus! I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love for God's most holy child. For whatever I might do today, at home, at school, at work, at play, I've got Jesus' love deep down inside of me.

Story Time for the Young and Young at Heart

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Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Merciful God,

you know the depths of our hearts,

those parts we show the world,

and those we try to hide.

Some days God,

we are your bold messengers,

speaking of promised peace and justice.

But other days God,

our world changes too fast for us,

or evil seems to be winning,

and we get scared.

And we get quiet.

**Afraid to speak for those most in need.
Afraid to go against what is popular.
Afraid to reach out.
When the best parts of ourselves hide away,
God forgive us.**

silence
God hear our prayer
and in your mercy answer. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love
God's promise echoes in our hearts:.....been brought back to God.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Today's Scripture: Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5 Alexis Ervin
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem: How Marvelous Are The Works Angerman & Martin
Message "Under Construction"
RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** Great is Thy Faithfulness VU 288
Invitation to the Offering
Offertory Be Thou my Vision Hopson

*** 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:**
*** Commissioning & Benediction**
Let us go forth,
to love as we have been loved,
to dare to reach out for the lowly and oppressed,
to risk being hurt or wrong,
in order to share what we know of God,
a God of love and grace.

*** 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 Carillon Vierendeux
Announcements

Greeters: Alma & Walter Bidlake
Collectors **Upstairs:** Steeves Family
Downstairs: **Left Side:** Gail & Ralph Stephenson
Middle: Isabel Green
Right Side: Tricia & Mike Berry
Coffee Hour (November 24th): Board

SERVICES & ACTIVITIES
Reflective Bible Study and Prayer Group Sundays at 9:15 am in
the office. Tammy Landry is hosting. Come enjoy the scripture

Saints and Sinners will be leading you in to your service on Sunday,
November 24 at 10:10 AM. Join us for a sing-a-long to prepare your
hearts and souls with joy !

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:** Courageous Daniel.
Daniel was thrown into the lions' den, but God sent a messenger to
shut the lions' mouths. God saved Daniel, and the king made a law
that everyone should respect Daniel's God.

Christmas Carols, the story of Christmas and Glowsticks! Frederic-
ton's Second Annual Carols by Glowstick is happening at St. Paul's
United Church November 29th 6-7pm. This indoor Christmas Carol
event is a great way to kick off the season as we join our voices to-
gether to sing our favorite carols by child friendly glow stick. Come
out and raise your voice, swing your glowstick and enjoy the glow of
the season. Stay after the singing for cookies and apple cider. Your
ticket includes one glowstick per person. Check us out on St Paul's
Facebook page or buy tickets at our Eventbrite link, Family ticket (up
to 5 people) \$20 Individual tickets \$5.50, Additional Glow products
available to purchase that night. Tickets available through eventbrite
or church office 224 York Street.