

# St. Paul's United Church

March 14th – 4th Sunday of Lent

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

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

## GATHERING TOGETHER

### Prelude

#### Greeting (Responsive)

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

**And also with you.**

#### Lighting Christ Candle:

#### Welcome & Announcements

#### Call to Worship (Responsive):

Jesus calls us here today,

**Jesus calls us to the place where we see the poor and the hungry.**

Jesus calls us to worship together, to hear the prophesies.

**Jesus invites us with the humble and poor. Let us join him.**

Jesus brings us to where power and status are overturned.

**Jesus calls us to where despair becomes the promise of new life.**

Jesus calls us to walk with him.

**Let us worship God, who walks with us, this and every day. Amen**

#### Opening Prayer

#### Hymn:

Faith of our Fathers

VU580

Faith of our fathers, living still  
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
O how our hearts beat high with joy,  
whene'er we hear that glorious word:  
faith of our fathers, holy faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

Faith of our mothers, daring faith,  
your work for Christ is love revealed,  
spreading God's word from pole to pole,  
making love known and freedom real:  
faith of our mothers, holy faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

Faith of our sisters, brothers too,  
who still must bear oppression's might,  
raising on high, in prisons dark,  
the cross of Christ still burning bright:  
faith for today, O living faith,  
we will be true to you till death.

Faith born of God, O call us yet;  
bind us with all who follow you,  
sharing the struggle of your cross  
until the world is made anew.

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we will be true to you till death.

#### Theme Conversation:

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison):

**Creator God, we want, and we need, but we often confuse the two. We complain about our wants instead of voicing our thanks for having what we need. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. Forgive us when we forget to let you be our guide. Amen**

#### Assurance of God's love

#### Today's Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

This is the Word of our God.

**Praise be to you, O Creator.**

#### Message

**The man who never noticed**

#### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

#### Minute for Mission: We Will Not Give Up On Them

#### Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

**Loving God, please accept the gifts that we have brought to you. You have given us so much, and we want to share with others in return. We want to share within our church, out in our community, and in the wider world, in Jesus' name, to continue his work. Amen**

#### Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: My Love Colours Outside the Lines MV138

My love colours outside the lines,  
Exploring paths that few could ever find  
And takes me into places where I've never been before  
And opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

My Lord colours outside the lines,  
turns wounds to blessings, water into wine;  
and takes me into places where I've never been before  
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

We'll never walk on water if we're not prepared to  
drown, body and soul need a soaking from time to time.  
And we'll never move the gravestones if we're not prepared to  
die and realize there are worlds outside the lines.

My soul longs to colour outside the lines,  
tear back the curtains, sun come in and shine,  
I want to walk beyond the boundaries,  
where I've never been before,  
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### SENDING FORTH

#### Commissioning (Responsive):

Let's go into the world as people of gratitude.

**Let's go into the world as people of hope.**

Let's go into the world as people of joyfulness.

**Let's go into the world ready to share Christ's love!**

#### Benediction

#### Postlude

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