

**DOWNTOWN UNITED <sup>+</sup>**  
*A service of St. Paul's, Wilmot and St. Andrew's*  
Fredericton, N.B.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

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**GATHERING TOGETHER**

**PRELUDE:** Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring - Bach

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**TRANSITIONING FROM GETTING HERE TO BEING HERE:**

**TIME OF SILENCE:**

**INTROIT:** *Dance With the Spirit*

MV 156

*Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',  
Walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.  
Work and hope for the new life abornin',  
Listen to the Spirit to show you the way.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Responsive)

Shout praises to the LORD, everyone on this earth. Be joyful and sing as you come in to worship the LORD!

**You know the LORD is God!**

He created us, and we belong to him; we are his people, the sheep in his pasture. Be thankful and praise the LORD as you enter his temple.

**The LORD is good! His love and faithfulness will last forever.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

**HYMN:** *Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love*

VU 574

*Come, let us sing of a wonderful love,  
tender and true, tender and true,  
out of the heart of the Father above,  
streaming to me and to you:  
wonderful love, wonderful love  
dwells in the heart of the Father above.*

*Jesus the Saviour this gospel to tell  
joyfully came, joyfully came,  
came with the helpless and hopeless to dwell,  
sharing their sorrow and shame,  
seeking the lost, seeking the lost,  
saving, redeeming at measureless cost.*

*Jesus is seeking the wanderers yet;  
why do they roam? why do they roam?  
Love only waits to forgive and forget;  
home, weary wanderers, home!  
Wonderful love, wonderful love  
dwells in the heart of the Father above.*

*Come to my heart, O thou wonderful love!  
Come and abide, come and abide,  
lifting my life till it rises above  
envy and falsehood and pride:  
seeking to be, seeking to be  
lowly and humble, a learner of thee.*

### **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**TIME FOR ALL AGES:** Ten Commandments

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:** (In Unison)

O God, your Word is more precious than fine gold, and sweeter than purest honey. As we turn to your Scripture, send your Holy Spirit to infuse your Word with truth and grace — so that the good news of your love would shine before our eyes and delight our senses ... so that we cannot help but respond with wonder, faith and trust. Amen.

**TODAY'S SCRIPTURE:** Exodus 20:1-17, Matthew 22:36-40

**MESSAGE:** Can Love & the Commandments co-exist?

**HYMN:** *Spirit, Open my Heart*

**MV 79**

*Refrain:*

*Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,  
Spirit, open my heart.*

*God replace my stony heart with a heart that's pure and tender.  
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. R*

*Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. R*

*May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister brother.  
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another. R*

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** (In Unison)

We work for you, God, in whatever we do.

Paid labour, volunteer work, our home life—  
all our time we spend for you.

Thank you for jobs which provide us with an income;

we share the fruit of our labour with you,  
knowing that you are the Great Provider.  
Use these offerings in your kingdom work,  
as you provide good news, healing and hope to all people. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE:**

**LORD'S PRAYER:**

Our Father who Art in heaven  
hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come thy will be done  
on Earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
the power and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen

**HYMN: *Let All Things Now Living***

**VU 242**

*Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving  
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;  
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,  
by guiding us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,  
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night;  
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,  
as forward we travel from light into Light.*

*By law God enforces, the stars in their courses  
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,  
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.  
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise:  
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving,  
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.*

**SENDING FORTH:**

**CHORAL CLOSING: *May the God of Hope Go with Us***

**VU 424 v1**

*May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.*

*Praying, let us work for peace,  
singing, share our joy with all,  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

**POSTLUDE:** Amazing Grace - Pardini

**Scripture Reader:** Deborah West

**Greeters:** Carole Peacock & Cathy Davis

**Audio Visual** – Rob Burton

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

Good morning and welcome to EVERYONE. May this worship service be a blessing in your day as we continue to worship together each week in person and by Zoom

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR ~ SUMMER 2022

July 3 - Worship Committee ~ Chris Grant

July 10 - Choir ~ Jane Blakely

July 17 - Board ~ Erin Hayes

### FUNDSCRIP

It's time to stock up on gift cards you will need this summer! We'll have an order this **Sunday, July 3** but none in August, then returning in September. If you are planning a trip, why not buy a few gift cards for gas? Need groceries for the visitors you're expecting? Gift cards are available for Sobeys and Superstore. If you are looking for a break from grocery shopping, FundScrip has cards for Hello Fresh and Chef's Plate meal kits. Order forms are available at the church office, in the narthex or [click here](#). Our next order deadline, July 3, falls on Canada Day weekend. If you would like to place your order early, feel free to bring it to church on June 26 or take it to the church office before June 30. Have a great summer! Stay safe! Remember: *Shopping is fundraising for St. Paul's*

### OFFICE CLOSURE

A reminder that the office remains closed but will reopen on Monday July 11th. Rusty is available between 8am – 12pm. Michelle will be away June 29-July 6. For pastoral emergencies during this time please contact Rev. Lori-Beth at 262-6752.

### NEW HOUSING COMMITTEE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS!

Property Committee is creating a sub-committee to take on our Housing Project. If you have the time and skills for minor repairs, maintenance and management of our housing units, we need you! If interested or for more information please contact Meghan in the Church office

### PANTRY

The pantry would appreciate donations of the following items: ketchup, cheese whiz, coffee, canned fruit, pudding, icing, Kraft Dinner, white sugar and paper towel. Thank you for your continued donations.



## BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

The Brown Bag Lunch Program is noting a 50% increase in the number of bags being distributed. Current donations needed are: proteins with flip top lids, juice boxes, fruit and pudding cups and granola bars. Thank you for your continued generosity!

## COOLING CENTRE AT ST. PAUL'S

St. Paul's Board has agreed, in principle, to enter into a partnership this summer with the John Howard Society and other community partners, to host a cooling centre in the church basement starting in July. It will provide a vital place for vulnerable people in the community to cool down and get water during the heat of the summer. Once the details are finalized, it will be open daily from 1-4pm, during the hottest part of the day. It will be staffed by qualified employees from the John Howard Society, and supported by volunteers from the community. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Rev. Michelle at [michellenarmstrong@hotmail.com](mailto:michellenarmstrong@hotmail.com). A big thank you to Joan Kingston for reaching out with this opportunity to serve our community.



## UPCOMING EVENT DATES TO REMEMBER

**July 16<sup>th</sup>** – Picnic in Wilmot Park at the Gazebo at noon.

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Messy Church at Wilmot. 5-7pm.

**August 16<sup>th</sup>** – Meditative Walk by the River. Meet at footbridge by library at 9am.

**August 26<sup>th</sup>** – Messy Church at Wilmot. 5-7pm.



## PICNIC IN THE PARK – JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>

Bring your blanket and packed lunch and join us for a summer gathering in the park at noon on July 16th. We will be meeting at the gazebo in Wilmot Park. Families are encouraged to join us in an early afternoon of community building and activities. RSVP appreciated, but not required. Contact Rev. Michelle at [michellenarmstrong@hotmail.com](mailto:michellenarmstrong@hotmail.com) for more information.

## SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

The Summer Music Series at Christ Church Cathedral will present nine noontime concerts, held each Friday at 12:10 p.m. until August 26. The free series of concerts will feature choral music, soloists, fiddle, guitar, viola, organ and piano. All welcome! Free admission, donations welcome. Proceeds will support the Organ Renovation Fund. Details at <https://christchurchcathedral.com/2022/06/24/2022-summer-music-series/>

## SUMMER DOWNTOWN UNITED + WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### At St. Paul's United Church

July 3<sup>rd</sup> – Rev. Todd Nelson from St. Andrew's leading

July 10<sup>th</sup> & July 17<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Michelle leading

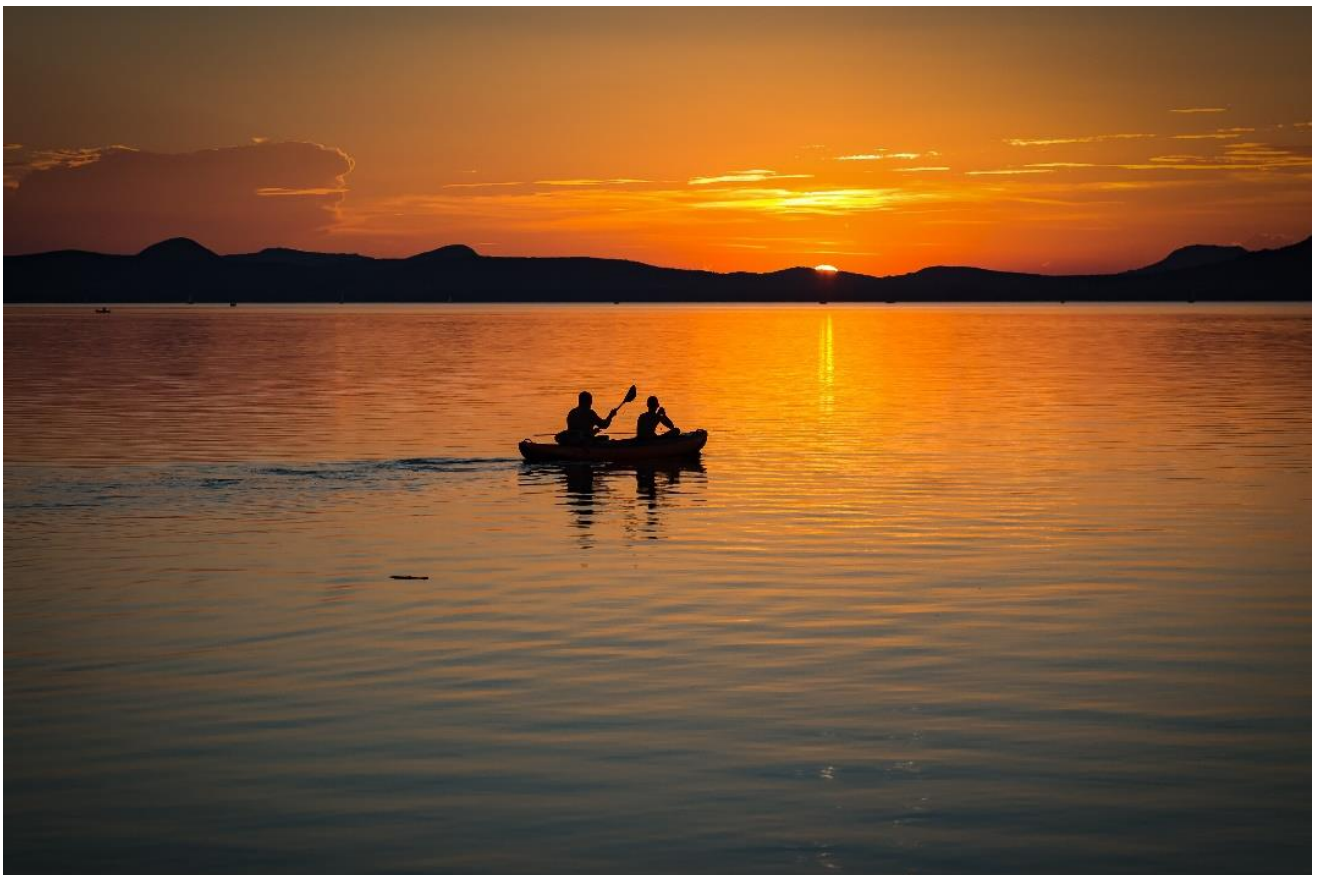
All services at St. Paul's can be viewed via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86854718551> Passcode 165090 or view later on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/St. Paul's>

### At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church - July 24<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup>

All services at St. Andrew's can be viewed via Zoom at [St. Andrew's Zoom](#) Meeting ID: 836 7375 6287 Passcode: 839092

### At Wilmot United Church - August 14<sup>th</sup>, August 21<sup>st</sup>, August 28<sup>th</sup>, September 4<sup>th</sup>

All services at Wilmot can be viewed online at <https://www.youtube.com/c/WilmotUnitedChurch>



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### St. Paul's United Church

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