

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

Fredericton, N.B.

190 Years of Glorifying God through Worship, Proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and Serving others in Christ's name

October 16th, 2022

19th Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 AM

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."'
- Matt 4:8-10

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE: Canon in D - Clarke

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The Love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you
And also with you

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE:

INTROIT: *Will You Bless Our Homes and Families*

VU 556 vs 1

*Would you bless our homes and families,
Source of life who calls us here;
in our world of stress and tension
teach us love that conquers fear.
Help us learn to love each other
with a love that constant stays;
teach us when we face our troubles,
love's expressed in many ways.*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)

In our lives we are pulled in so many different directions.

Schedules, tasks, responsibilities, plans on plans on plans seek to claim our lives.

This day, in this place, let us quiet our minds and come to God in praise.

This day, in this time, we open our hearts and spirits to God.

Blessed be the God of creation who has called us here.

Praise be to God who sustains and nurtures our lives.

HYMN: *Let Us Build A House*

MV 1

*Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

*Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

OPENING PRAYER:

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME FOR ALL AGES:

HYMN: *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.*

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SCRIPTURE: Joshua 24:1-26

REFLECTION:

HYMN: *Oh Jesus, I Have Promised*

VU 120

*O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
remain for ever near me, my Saviour and my friend:
I shall not fear the journey if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.*

*O let me feel you near me: the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me, around me and within;
but, Jesus, then draw nearer and shield my soul from sin.*

*O let me hear you speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
now speak, and make me listen, O guardian of my soul.*

*O Jesus, you have promised to all who follow you,
that where you are in glory your servant shall be too.
And Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Saviour and my friend.*

MOMENT FOR ST. PAUL'S:

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (In Unison)

You, O Generous God, have gifted us with everything in our lives, even down to the very air that we breathe. Out of the many blessings we have found we give back our time, our talent, our treasure, our very selves for the building up of your Kingdom. Bless us and all that we bring as we live in ways that serve you. This we pray in the strong name of Christ our partner and guide. Amen

CHOIR ANTHEM: Morning Has Broken - Clarke

PRAYERS 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: *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

VU 575

*I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

*I'm gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

COMMISSIONING & BLESSING:

In all the choices that we make this day, this week, and in our lives,
**may we choose to lift up our neighbours,
may we choose to love the world we have been given,
may we choose to serve God.**

Go now with the love of God in your heart, the peace of Christ in your hands, and with the power of the Holy Spirit at your backs to share the Good News you have heard this day. Amen

CHORAL CLOSING: *Will You Bless Our Homes and Families*

VU 556 vs 4

*Let us reach beyond the boundaries
of our daily thought and care
till the family you have chosen
spills its love out everywhere.
Help us learn to love each other
with a love that constant stays;
teach us when we face our troubles
love's expressed in many ways.*

POSTLUDE: Toccata - Nevin

Scripture Readers: Narrator – Ann Krause, Joshua – Alanna Palmer, People – Ross Mathers
Greeter: Mary Stickle *Audio Visual:* John Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SUNDAY OCTOBER 16TH

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.

TOONIES FOR ST. PAUL'S!

Thank you to everyone who saved their Toonies over the summer. Our total raised so far is \$1,076. It is not too late to contribute. Anniversary Sunday in November 6th!

MOMENT FOR MEMORIES

On November 6, St. Paul's will celebrate its 190th anniversary. Imagine how many stories those years must hold! No matter how long you have been attending St. Paul's, you, too, have memories and stories to tell. We'd love to hear some of them in the next few weeks as we take a **Moment for Memories** during the service. Did you come here as a child? Perhaps you were a Brownie or a Boy Scout. As you grew up, did the lessons learned from those early days affect the way you live today? Maybe you were married here and joined St. Paul's as an adult. Did you teach Sunday School or share in the fellowship and work of the Saturday Night Club? Do you sing in the choir, belong to the UCW, help in the pantry? So many activities, so many stories. Tell us in a few words how the people of St. Paul's have affected your life and the lives of others in the church. If you are or were involved in an outreach program tell us how St. Paul's has helped others in the community or in another part of the world. In what ways have we been living the Gospel and shining Christ's light for last 190 years? Won't you share your story with us? For more information or to volunteer to tell your story, please contact Carole Peacock at 452-1016.

PANTRY PROGRAM

The pantry needs the following items: white sugar, salt, flour, granola bars, pudding cups and cookies. Thank you for your continued support!

BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

The Brown Bag Lunch program is running low on supplies. Items in need are: proteins with flip top lids, juice boxes, and pudding cups. Thank you for your generosity!



CORE VALUES WORKSHEET AVAILABLE ONLINE!

Anyone who has not completed the Core Values Worksheet can download and print a copy from our website at: <https://www.stpaulsunited.ca/board-committee-resources/> or Complete the worksheet online by following this link: [Core Value Worksheet](#)

ST. PAUL'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR!

There will be a CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on **Saturday, November 19th from 10 am to 12 noon**. Tables will be set up for Baking, Crafts, the Quilters will have Books and Puzzles, and a table for Christmas Decorations. You can help by donating items, but **NO BOOKS** at this time, and only Christmas Decorations Please!

MINCEMEAT PIES!

The UCW will be making MINCEMEAT this year! \$15.00 for 500 ml (2 cups). Order sheet will be on the Bulletin Board or contact Donna Chauvin 458-5885. We will be in the kitchen on Tuesday October 25th at 10 am if you would care to join us for some kitchen fellowship while that lovely aroma fills the air!



MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE NOTICE

The Ministry and Personnel (M&P) Committee acts under the guidance of **The Manual** of The United Church of Canada. The committee functions around three roles which are the consultative and supportive role, the healthy relationships role and the supervisory role. We provide resources and support for the staff and the community of faith with respect to any issues affecting staff of our church, including ministry personnel and lay employees. The committee works to build **positive and trusting relationships between staff and members and adherents of the community of faith.**

If members of the community of faith have praise or concerns about staff, both ministry personnel and lay employees, these can be shared in signed correspondence with the committee. The issues will be considered confidentially by the M&P Committee, who will recommend action.

St. Paul's United Church is blessed with a staff that is committed to their work and we are thankful for this work in our community of faith. **Presently serving on the committee:** Lois Walker, Blaine Irving and Ann Krause

BIBLE STUDY

Diving into scripture is one of the spiritual practices of our faith. The small group setting of bible study helps us to go deeper and explore areas of the text that would not be addressed on Sunday morning. Join Rev. Michelle on Wednesdays at 11:15am for bible study. We meet in the board room. Generally, sessions run 45min-1hour. This coming week's scripture is: 2 Samuel 11:1-5; 12:1-9, Psalm 51: 1-9.

You can also join online. Log in using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88619319967>. Passcode is 259190.



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

October 16th – Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by M&P

October 23rd – Soup and Buns ~ Hosted by the Choir. **Congregational Workshop to follow** – Finding Focus

October 30th – Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by Outreach

November 6th – 190th Anniversary Celebration ~ Hosted by the UCW

November 13th – Remembrance Sunday ~ Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by Worship

SALMON SUPPER TAKE OUT

The New Maryland United Church Men's Club is holding a Salmon Supper Take Out on Sunday, **October 16th** at the New Maryland Rec Centre. Meal includes a generous portion of BBQ salmon, baked potato, mixed vegetables, roll, pickles and homemade apple crisp. Price is \$20. Take-Out times are 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, or 5:30 pm. For tickets, call the church at 459-3313 or Keith Ball at 455-1948.

DEATH EXPO

The second annual Death Expo is being held in Fredericton on Thursday, **October 20th** at the New Maryland Centre from 10 am to 4 pm. Everyone is welcome! Admission is free thanks to a grant from the Horizon Health Network. Over 25 exhibitors will share information and resources for end-of-life care.

FILM: IN THE REALM OF DEATH & DREAMING

This year we have partnered with When You Die, Halifax, to bring a private screening of the film *In The Realm of Death & Dreaming* to Fredericton. Wednesday, **October 19**, 6:30 pm at the New Maryland Centre. Johanna Lunn, film Director, will be present for a Q&A following the movie. The seating is limited and the fee is \$10. Please register at Eventbrite (<https://bit.ly/3dvo2SO>). Follow us on Facebook at D.I.E. Death Information and Education for updates. For more information contact Anne Marie Hartford at hartfordam@gmail.com or Karen Lake at Hello@KarenLake.ca

RUMMAGE SALE AT WILMOT UNITED

Our yearly rummage sale is approaching. The rummage sale will take place at Wilmot United Church (473 King Street) on: Friday, **October 21st** from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday, **October 22nd** from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

CHILI TAKE-OUT SUPPER!

Delicious Mild Beef Chili Take-Out Supper, Friday, **October 21**, pick up from 4:00-5:30pm, Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street. Enjoy mild beef chili, homemade roll, Caesar salad and apple crumble tart for \$15. Reserve your take-out meals by Monday, October 17 with Rindy or Tom Austin, 450-7151.

TURKEY DINNER AT GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH

Gibson Memorial United Church, 183 Gibson St., will be hosting a "Turkey Dinner", Wednesday, **October 26**, 4 - 6 p.m. Cost \$15/adult and \$5/child. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

Wilmot United Church
RUMMAGE SALE

Fri, Oct 21: 9-5 Sat, Oct 22: 9-12

CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR | KITCHENWARE | BEDDING | DECOR & TOYS

King & Carleton, downtown Fredericton
Please wear mask.



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