

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 23rd, 2022

20th Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 AM

"Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went away. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first, and they treated them in the same way. Then he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?"

They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." ~ Matt 21:33-41

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE: Prelude on Down Ampney

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) *

God desires truth in our inward being;

Teach us wisdom in our secret hearts.

Purge us with hyssop,

And we shall be clean.

Let us hear joy and gladness;

Let our weary bones rejoice.

*Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou bidd'st me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need, in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

*Just as I am, thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down;
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.*

OPENING PRAYER:

HEARING GOD'S WORD

MOMENT FOR ST. PAUL'S:

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.*

*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,
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SCRIPTURE: 2 Samuel 11:1-5, 26-27, 12:1-9, Psalm 51:1-9

REFLECTION:

HYMN: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

VU 326

*O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of God's grace.*

*Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.*

*He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken-hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.*

*Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones,
your tongues again employ;
you blind, behold your Saviour comes,
and leap, you lame, for joy!*

*My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.*

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: To God Be the Glory - Archer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: (Responsive)

Lord hear our prayer

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: *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

VU 669

*Jesus, lover of my soul,
let me to thy bosom fly,
while the nearer waters roll,
while the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
till the storm of life is past;
safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.*

*Other refuge have I none;
hangs my helpless soul on thee.
Leave, ah! leave me not alone;
still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
all my help from thee I bring;
cover my defenceless head
with the shadow of thy wing.*

*Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
more than all in thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name,
I am all unrighteousness:
false and full of sin I am,
thou art full of truth and grace.*

*Plenteous grace with thee is found,
grace to cover all my sin;
let the healing streams abound;
make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
freely let me take of thee;
spring thou up within my heart;
rise to all eternity.*

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

*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: Allegro – Bedard

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SUNDAY OCTOBER 23RD

Good morning and welcome to EVERYONE. A warm welcome to our guest Minister Rev. Deborah Ambridge Fisher and Presider, Brad Green. May this worship service be a blessing in your day as we continue to worship together each week in person and by Zoom.

FUNDSCRIP



Time to start your Christmas shopping? Do it with FundScrip gift cards. Use the cards to purchase gifts or give the cards as gifts to family and friends. Gift cards make great stocking stuffers, too! You could even donate a gift card to St. Paul's Pantry! (Walmart cards preferred.) We will have two orders before the holiday season . . . **Sunday, November 6** and **Sunday, December 4**. Order forms are available in the office and the Narthex or by clicking here [6Nov2022-FundScrip-Order-Form.pdf](#). If you are not yet a FundScrip shopper and would like more information about the program, Carole Peacock will be happy to answer your

questions. Remember: *Shopping is fundraising for St. Paul's!*

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: Miracle Whip, Lysol wipes and beans with molasses. Thank you for your continued support!

BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

The Brown Bag Lunch program is in need of proteins with flip top lids. Thank you for your generosity!



ANGEL TREE ALERT

Once again, Greener Village Food Bank is seeking our help in making Christmas wishes come true for 40 local children whose families are being looked after by the Food Bank this year. I don't have an exact date yet, but in a few weeks, we will receive the Angel tags to hang on the Christmas tree. Then you can select a tag, buy a gift and return it to the church by a specified date. Once all the gifts have been received, we will deliver them to the Food Bank. The people of St. Paul's have always been generous in supporting this tradition. Watch for further details in future editions of eNews. (Carole Peacock)

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](#)

MINCEMEAT!

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!



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!

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study in-person is cancelled next week. Keep posted for it's return in the near future!

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

October 23rd – Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by the Choir ** **Congregational Workshop Postponed**

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

November 19th - Christmas Bazaar from 10-12pm

November 20th – Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by the Board

November 27th – Advent 1 ~ Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by Christian Education

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.

CELEBRATE IN SONG 2022

A concert of choral music to lift the heart and sing the world awake. Sunday, **October 30, 2022**, at 2:30 pm at Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 536 Northumberland Street, Fredericton. Celebrate in Song is a choral concert about power of music to awaken us and bring us more fully to life, as the performing arts are returning to life also. Fredericton native Dr. Joel Tranquilla, with the help of four of his colleagues from the Juno-nominated Canadian Chamber Choir, will lead singers from around the region in a concert of choral music that will move and inspire. With performances from the Fredericton Choral Society, the Sussex Choral Society, and the Hanwell Academy Children's Choir. Music by Vaughan Williams, Rutter, Chilcott, Sewepagaham and more. Admission \$20 General, \$10 Students, \$40 Families (2 adults with 2 children), children 12 and under free. To help mitigate virus spread, we strongly recommend that audience members wear a mask of the best available quality. Tickets will be available online and at the door. For more information, and to purchase tickets, please visit nbcfsite.wordpress.com For more about the Canadian Chamber Choir, visit <https://canadianchamberchoir.ca>



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