

**SAINT ANDREW'S Presbyterian**  
and  
**ST. PAUL'S United**  
**Ecumenical Shared Ministry**

**October 19, 2025 - 10:30 a.m.**



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***Noon Wednesday***

*We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wəlastəkwiyik (Wolastoqiyik) Peoples.*

*This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Wəlastəkwiyik (Wolastoqiyik), Mi'kmaq, and Passamaquoddy Peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1726.*

*The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wəlastəkwiyik (Wolastoqiyik) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.*

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**GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

***Prelude:*** Nimrod from *Enigma Variations* ~ E. Elgar

***Welcome & Announcements***

***Lighting of the Christ Candle***

***Introit:*** *Come, All you People* **VU 2**

***Come all you people, come and praise your Maker***

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***Come now and worship the Lord.***

***Call to Worship:*** <sup>1</sup> *(Responsive)*

God promises us justice,

**and teaches us persistence.**

God promises us compassion,

**and teaches us not to lose heart.**

God promises to be with us

**and teaches us to tend to each other.**

So let us worship our God of comfort and challenge,

**grounding ourselves in faithful community**

**we come attentive to the heart of the divine.**

***Opening Hymn***

**TBoP 475**

*I am the Church! You are the Church!*

*(Refrain)*

***I am the church! You are the church!***

***We are the church together!***

***All who follow Jesus, all around the world!***

***Yes, we're the church together!***

*The church is not a building; the church is not a steeple;  
The church is not a resting place; the church is a people.*

*R.*

*We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces  
All colours and all ages, too, from all time and places.*

*R.*

*Sometimes the church is marching; sometimes it's bravely burning'  
Sometimes its' riding, sometimes hiding; always it's learning.*

*R.*

*And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying  
There's' laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying:*

*R.*

*At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit  
And told the Good New through the world to all who would hear it.*

*R.*

### ***Prayer of Adoration***

#### ***Prayer of Confession: <sup>2</sup> (Unison)***

Forgive us, O God.

Do not send us away from your presence!

Instead sustain us in the goodness and joy of your kingdom, and make us willing to follow your lead.

Open our mouths to proclaim your praise,

and open our hands to serve your purpose,

and move our feet out of the tiny boxes we have made for you.

You are the God who sees our inmost truth,

and we pray you would help us see our inmost truth, too,

that we may live more honestly and more fully

as your holy people in the world. Amen.

### ***Assurance of Pardon***

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

### ***Time for all ages***

### ***The story before the Story***

### ***Sung Prayer for Illumination***      *'Listen, God is Calling'*

**MV 97**

*Listen God is calling, through the Word inviting,  
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.*

## ***Scripture Readings:***

### **1 Samuel 3:1-21**

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons."

Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me."

The Lord said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do, and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you."

Samuel did what the Lord commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?"

He said, "Peaceably. I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely his anointed is now before the Lord."

But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him, for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel.

He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one."

Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one."

Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these."

Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?"

And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep."

And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him, for we will not sit down until he comes here."

He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome.

The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him, for this is the one."

Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward.

Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

### **Psalm 51:10-14**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**and put a new and right spirit within me.**

Do not cast me away from your presence,

**and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

**and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,

**and sinners will return to you.**

Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,

**O God of my salvation,**

**and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.**

## **John 10:14-15**

[Jesus said], I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**Praise God for this Holy Word.**

***Anthem***

***Sermon***

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

***Hymn of Response:***

*Come touch our heart*

**MV 12 vs 1-4**

***Come touch our hearts***

***that we may know compassion,***

***From failing embers build a blazing fire;***

***Love strong enough to overturn injustice,***

***To seek a world more gracious,***

***come touch and bless our hearts.***

***Come touch our souls***

***That we may know and love you***

***Your quiet presence all our fears dispel;***

***Create a space for Spirit to grow in us,***

***Let life and beauty fill us.***

***Come, touch and bless our souls.***

***Come touch our minds***

***And teach us how to reason,***

***Set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream;***

***Help us to open doors of understanding***

***To welcome truth and wisdom,***

***Come, touch and bless our minds.***

***Come touch us in***

***The moments we are fragile***

***And in our weakness your great strength reveal;***

***That we may rise to follow and to serve,***

***Steady now our nerve,***

***Come, touch and bless our wills.***

## ***Prayers of the People***

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

### ***Presentation of the Offerings***

#### ***Doxology***

*Praise God from whom all Blessings flow  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures high and low,  
Give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.*

**VU 541**

#### ***Prayer of Dedication***<sup>1</sup> *(Unison)*

**God of the great and the small, we bring what we have to share, the fruit of our lives.  
Bless our gifts and our lives so that generosity and justice will join hands to surprise  
the world with your goodness in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### **GOING OUT TO SERVE**

#### ***Closing Hymn:***

**TBoP 634**

*Will you come and follow me*

*Will you come and follow me If I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know And never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known,  
Will you let my life be grown In you and you in me?*

*Will you leave yourself behind If I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind And never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare Should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer pray'r In you and you in me?*

*Will you let the blinded see If I but call your name?  
Will you set the pris'ners free And never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, And do such as this unseen,  
And admit to what I mean In you and you in me?*

*Will you love the you' you hide If I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside And never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found To reshape the world around,  
Through my sight and touch and sound In you and you in me?*

*Lord, your summons echoes true When you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you And never be the same.  
In your company I'll go Where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow In you and you in me.*

## ***Commissioning & Benediction***

### ***Sung Response***

*'Teach Me, God, to Wonder'*  
***Let me, God, Be ready, Let me be awake  
In your world of loving my place take.  
Praise to you be given, Love for you be lived,  
Life be celebrated, Joy you give.***

**TBP 704 Vs 3**

***Postlude: Fanfare on LAUDA ANIMA***

*~ D. Hustad*

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<sup>1</sup> - adapted from PCC Worship Planner October 19, 2025 ; <sup>2</sup> -Teri Peterson BibleWorm Liturgy October 19, 2025

### ***GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME EVERYONE!***

May this service be a blessing to you as we continue to worship together each week, in person and online (via Zoom).

*Please join us in Hall following service for a very special Coffee/Fellowship time to honour and remember our dear Sister-in-Christ, Mona Arleen Wilson, a long time and much loved member of Saint Andrew's and the Tuesday Morning Ladies Group.*

*Muriel Aitken composed this poem to honour Mona:*

**M - Moderate And Petite  
O - Obliging And Discreet  
N - Nurturing And Neat  
A - Always Friendly When We Meet  
W - Welcomes Us To Her Door  
I - Insisting She Should Do Much More  
L - Loyal And Loving In Every Way  
S - Sets Her Goals For Each Day  
O - Only Strives For The Best  
N- Now Dear Mona It's Time For A Well Earned Rest**

### ***Thank you to our Volunteers***

***Greeters*** - Rose Johnston and Mary Stickle

***Scripture Readers*** - Brad Webb (1 Samuel), Rick Gremm (Psalm and Gospel)

***Audio/Visual*** - Glynis Martin, Shawn and Beth Meister

***Coffee Hour/Fellowship Hosts*** - Tuesday AM Ladies Group

***Counter*** - Jean Boudreau / ***Tellers*** - Laura Steeves and Alan Thorne

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday, October 24** (3 -7 p.m.) and **Saturday, October 25** (9:00 a.m. - Noon)  
*Tuesday A.M. Ladies Group Annual Fall Yardsale*

**Tuesday, October 28 (Noon until 7:40 p.m.)** and **Saturday, Nov. 1 (10 a.m. – 5:40 p.m.)**  
*Universal Portrait Studios will be here for sittings (by appointment)  
for our Ecumenical Shared Ministry Photo Directory.*

**Saturday, Nov. 1**

*Don't forget to set your clock back 1 hour! We 'fall back' @ 2 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 2!*

**Monday, Nov. 3**

Session meets at 7 p.m. in the Church.

**Monday, Nov. 4**

*Policy Finance and Maintenance meets via Zoom at 6:00 p.m.*



**THE (Ecumenical Shared Ministry) PHOTO DIRECTORY** - Universal Portrait Studios is in the process of making calls to book your appointment for your photo sitting. They will be here starting Tuesday, Oct. 28 (Noon until 7:40 p.m.) & Saturday, Nov. 1 (10 a.m. - 5:40 p.m.)

**THE ANNUAL FALL RUMMAGE SALE** will be held on **Friday, October 24 from 3-7 p.m.** and **Saturday, October 25 from 9 - Noon.** Please drop off any saleable items to the Hall on Tuesday mornings, during regular office hours, before or after service on Sundays, or if need be, at another time convenient to you. Just call the office to make any arrangements. Thanks!

**SAINT ANDREW'S BREAKFAST 2 GO PROGRAM** - The Friday morning pantry needs supplies for our breakfast guests. Donations of canned pasta, canned soup, pudding, Cheeze Whiz, peanut butter, coffee, boost/ensure or other nutritional drinks as well as toothbrushes and paste, shampoo, razors and laundry pods would be welcomed. Thanks for your support.

### THE MISSION TREE

Our tree is decorated in Fall leaves, with a note on the reverse with a request for small items we try and have on hand for our Friday Morning visitors at Breakfast 2 Go, and for our staff to hand out at their discretion to those seeking support on weekdays. Thanks for considering taking a leaf with you and return the items under the Mission tree.

### THE BROWN BAG LUNCH PROGRAM

needs canned proteins with pull tops (such as flakes of meat, Chef Boyardee, chili, sardines), chicken/tuna salad & crackers, pudding cups, fruit & apple sauce cups, and small, sweet treats such as mini chocolate bars. Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

**THE PANTRY PROGRAM** needs paper towel, Comet, white rice, cake mix, Cheez Whiz and canned tomatoes.

## SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR & FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

**Oct. 26** - Heather Labadie

**Nov. 2** - Tuesday AM Ladies Group

**Nov. 9** - Mary Hossack.

**Nov. 16** - Volunteers needed.

**Nov. 23** - Kim Keetch, Beth & Shawn Meister

**Nov. 30** - Volunteers needed.

**Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Hall entry, just outside the Kitchen door.**

**Thanks in advance – we truly appreciate the ministry of coffee, tea, and treats!**

### ONGOING ACTIVITIES

**Monday - Friday** ~ Community Outreach ~ **Brown Bag Lunch Program**, 10 a.m - 2 p.m.

**Tuesdays** ~ **Ladies Group**, 9:30 a.m. ~ *All are welcome!*

**Tuesdays & Thursdays** ~ **Quilting Group**, 1- 4 p.m. ~ *All are welcome!*

**Wednesdays** ~ Community Outreach ~ **Pantry Program**, 9 -11am

**Thursdays** ~ **Bible Study**, 6 - 7 p.m. in Rev. Michelle's Study ~ *All are Welcome!*

~ **Choir Practice** at 7 pm. ~ *All are Welcome!*

### CONNECTING WITH REV. MICHELLE

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**Her drop-in office hours are Sundays & Mondays, 1 -2:30 p.m.**

Appointments are preferred to ensure the time you need to connect.

### **Can't make it to Sunday Service in person?**

**Join us via Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83673756287>

Passcode: 2023

**View anytime on YouTube:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@st.paulsunitedchurch984/videos>