

Saint Andrew's Presbyterian
and
St. Paul's United
Ecumenical Shared Ministry
June 21, 2026 - 10:30 a.m.
4th Sunday after Pentecost



**We welcome
the Rev. Darry Levy,
leading us in worship today!**

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

This territory is covered by the “Treaties of Peace and Friendship” which Wəlastəkwiyyik (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 Wəlastəkwiyyik (Wolastoqiyik) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude: *"The Church's One Foundation" ~ arr. D. Hustad*

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship: *(Responsive)*

To you, O God, we lift our hearts.

Listen to our voices and answer.

The Lord is good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love.

God does wondrous things with grace and mercy.

So let us glorify God's holy name together!

We come to worship God in love and faithfulness.

Opening Hymn: *'Great is thy faithfulness'* **TBoP # 324**

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;

There is no shadow of turning with thee;

Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not;

As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

(Refrain)

Great is thy faithfulness; great is thy faithfulness;

Moring by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided;

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,

Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,

Join with all nature in eloquent witness

To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (R)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow:

Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (R)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

God of grace, you created our minds to grow in wisdom.

You created our hearts to expand with love for you and your world.

You created our voices to sing your praises forever.

Fill us to overflowing with your Holy Spirit, so we may worship you in spirit and in love, faithfully seeking to follow Jesus, even when challenges confront us.

In this time of worship, assure us of your presence with us and reveal to us the path you open before us, for we live to serve as your people wherever you lead. Amen.

God who knows all people and all possibilities, you call us to follow you, yet we prefer familiar paths. You offer us new understanding, yet change makes us uncomfortable. You invite us into the fullness of life, yet we often resist when the invitation comes with challenge or disruption. Forgive us, O God, and make of us loving disciples ready to follow Jesus' example. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: In Christ, we can work to transform relationships and envision a new future, guided by the Spirit of God. We can become a new creation! Trust that God loves you and forgives you. Do not be afraid to try a new way forward.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Understanding: (*Unison*)

God of wisdom, open our minds to your will, our hearts to your love, and our hands to serve you in the world, as we listen to the Scriptures. With your Holy Spirit, equip us to follow Jesus, who is your Living Word, and our example for showing love for you and for each other. Amen.

The Scriptures:

Psalm: 86:1-10, 16-17

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy

Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your maidservant.

Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it, and be put to shame, because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

The Gospel of Christ. ***Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.***

Anthem: "What Wondrous Love"

~ Charles Dupree

Message

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response:

"Will you come and follow me"

TBoP #634

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 prayer in you and you in me?***

Will you let the blinded see If I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners 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.**

Invitation to the Offering:

Around us the gifts of God's good earth appear in fields and gardens, speaking of God's goodness to us. Our gifts also speak of God's goodness as we offer our gratitude for all we have received in Christ and in creation.

Doxology (Unison)

***'Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow'
Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures high and low,
Praise God in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word and Spirit One.***

VU #541

Prayer of Dedication:

O God, we offer you our gifts in thanksgiving. Pour out your Spirit upon them and upon us. May the gifts we offer bear the fruit of your Spirit in every life we touch in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession, followed by the Lord's Prayer:

God of compassion and mercy [...] Embrace us all with your mercy, O God,

And give us grace to respond to the needs around us.

God of the world, [...] Embrace us all with your mercy, O God,

And give us grace to respond to the needs around us.

(Unison)

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 and 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 for ever and ever. Amen.

WALKING TOGETHER IN THE WAY

Closing Hymn:

'Make me a channel of your peace'

TBoP #740

***Make me a channel of your peace: where there is hatred, let me bring you love;
Where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.***

***Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.***

***O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console,
To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.***

***Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.***

Commissioning & Benediction:

Go in faithfulness, ready to serve God, trusting that God counts your life as precious. And may God bless you and keep you, may God's face shine upon you, and may God grant you grace and peace now and evermore.

Postlude:

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

~ arr. Matt Limbaugh

Liturgy: PCC Worship Planner, June 21; Scriptures: <http://www.biblegateway.com> New Revised Standard Update English

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.*

Happy Father's Day to all Dads everywhere – enjoy your special day!

Thank you to our Volunteers today:

Greeters – Valarie Gallagher, Sandra and Ron Steeves

Scripture Readers – Ron Naugler and Helen McKinnon-Bagnell

Audio/Visual - Beth and Shawn Meister, Glynis Martin

Counters - Colleen and Tony Watson / ***Tellers*** - Gail Simmons and Carole Peacock

Hospitality and Fellowship - Beth and Shawn Meister and Kim Keech

Next Sunday on Hospitality – Sandra and Ron Steeves

(Leading us in worship next Sunday, June 28: Rev. Stephen McAllister.)

Today, June 21, 2026, marks the 30th anniversary of National Indigenous Peoples Day!

Both the United Church of Canada and the Presbyterian Church in Canada honour this day, each year in June, as part of National Indigenous History Month in Canada. This is a time to recognize the rich history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples and acknowledge their contributions to Canada.

Come hear the drum beat of Mother Earth today at Willie O'Ree Place (605 Cliffe Street) and listen to the voices of the ancestors of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) people as they share their culture through music, dance and traditional ceremonies. All are welcome to attend.

Congratulations from our Church Family to our newest member, **Dr. Pudineh (Puneh) Moarref** who arrived in Canada last October as a Visiting Scholar under the direction of Dr. Yu Chen at the DECH, on her publication in an internationally acclaimed medical journal, "*Diagnosics*." Her research involved testing a new Blood Glucose meter for Diabetes for use in hospitals and found that it provided more accurate results than the older device, especially in challenging clinical situations. **Well done, Puneh!**

Starting Sunday July 5th through Sunday July 26th we will join Wilmot United Church for Sunday service **at 11 a.m.** at their location, 473 King Street. So next Sunday is our last fellowship hour here until we return to worship at 512 Charlotte St. on Sunday August 2nd. Enjoy your well-earned break for July. We are so grateful to all that have provided such wonderful hospitality all year long. **Bless you all and enjoy the chat and goodies at Wilmot!**

Fellowship time in August (formerly 'Lemonade on the Lawn')

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Hall entry; we are looking for volunteers for each of the four Sundays in August when we are hosting Wilmot United Church for worship. In the past, we have simplified by having iced tea or lemonade, watermelon slices, ice cream sandwiches, and the like, although the "menu" is entirely up to the volunteers! We would appreciate any who are willing to look after one Sunday in August. Thank you.

Current Needs of our Outreach Programs

The Pantry: Dish detergent, salt, tetra juice boxes, white rice, and molasses.

Breakfast 2 Go: Canned meat and fish; Cheez Whiz; peanut butter; instant coffee; nutritional drinks; individual cereal boxes; TP.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Graduating from High School this year? Already in University? Community College? Wark/St. Paul's Scholarships

Students who are members or adherents of St. Paul's and who plan to pursue post-secondary studies this fall are invited to apply for financial support from the Wark/St. Paul's Scholarship Funds. Details on eligibility and application guidelines are available at <http://www.stpaulsunited.ca> under "Resources".

Applications must be received on or before July 31.

RSVP by tomorrow at 506 450-4031 or stjameshanwell@outlook.com for the 'Lunch & Learn for Seniors' (on Wednesday from 11am - 1pm, at St. James Presbyterian 1991 Hwy. 640, Hanwell). Topic: *Staying out of Fraud's Reach – Recognizing the Signs of Financial Exploitation*, presented by the Financial and Consumer Service Commission on NB.

Continuing weekly activities here through the summer months

Tuesdays and Thursdays ~ Quilting Group, Ladies' Parlour, **9 a.m. - Noon.** All are welcome!
Wednesdays ~ Pantry from 9 - 11 am. **Fridays** ~ Breakfast 2 Go, 8:30 - 10 am.

In Rev. Michelle's absence, if you or your family require pastoral care support, you may reach out to the **Rev. Richard Bowley** (of Nas'is United) at his cell number: **(506) 262 - 2150** or to the **Rev. Ellen Beairsto** (of Wilmot United) by text to her cell number: **(506) 474-2324**
Please note: If one or the other is on duty for a specific week or weekend, that name and contact number will be updated and available on our shared office voicemail greeting.

Can't be here in person on Sundays? Join us for worship online via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83673756287> Passcode: **2023**