# St. Paul's United Church

November 18, 2012

The people of St. Paul's United Church welcome you. May there be a blessing for you in this house today.

Prelude Peace Englert

**Greeting** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you, and also with you.

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** 

Introit Dance with the Spirit MV 156

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Hymn** New Every Morning VU 405

**Prayer of the Day** (Hannah's Prayer, 1 Samuel 2:1–10 adapted)

One: God has filled my heart with joy;

All: we are happy at all God has done.

One: God's love goes beyond imagining;

All: God's greatness is beyond understanding.

One: God restores life and hope;

All: God gives a sense of self-worth to the poor and

provides community to the lonely.

One: God stands in solidarity with the faithful

All: and works to bring light to the world's dark places.

One: In the coming days, God's purposes will be fulfilled;

All: the kingdom of God's Chosen One will triumph! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer VU 959

## St. Paul's Contact Information:

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Minister: Rev. Lori Beth Sheffield-Bowles

Organist & Director of Music: Alexis Ervin
Children & Family Ministry: Julie Heslop
Office Administrator: Cathy Simpson
Sexton: Joe Robicheau

Weekly Activities

Mon., Wed., & Fri. 12–1 p.m. Exercise Group - Gym/Hall Monday-Friday 11:30–1:00 p.m. AA - Youth Lounge

**Tuesday & Saturday** 8–9 p.m. AA - Youth Lounge

Monday, November 19

7:00 a.m. UCW Joint Meeting

Tuesday, November 20

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study—Ladies Parlour

10:00 a.m. Play Group - Gym

12:00 p.m. Restoration Luncheon - F'ton Inn

1:00 p.m. Quilting - Quilter's Parlour

6:30-8:00 p.m. Cubs - Gym

7:00-8:30 p.m. Ladies Evening Book Study 7:30-9:30 p.m. Fredericton Choral Society - Hall

Wednesday, November 21

9:00-11:00 The Pantry

10:00 a.m. Wed. Discussion Group - Quilter's

6:30-7:30 p.m. Beavers - Gym

Thursday, November 22

1:00 p.m. Quilting - Quilter's Parlour 7:15 p.m. Sr. Choir Practice - Hall

Saturday, November 24

10:00 a.m. UCW Bazaar

Sunday, November 25 Membership Sunday

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**Refugee Committee News:** The Interchurch committee will hold a pot luck supper on Sunday, Nov. 18th from 5-7 pm at Wilmot United church. This is an opportunity for members of the 3 congregations to meet our new friends who have come from Iraq via Syria. Members of the Congregation are invited and encouraged to attend.

**JoyFM** is in the process of requesting an increase in power. This will not only allow more folks to hear us, but it will also give us much needed protection from other signals. Getting letters from those who can't hear us from home or work will strengthen our request tremendously. All the information regarding what needs to be in the letter, along with a sample letter, is on our website, www.joyfm.ca.

Palestine-Israel Discussion: At the 41<sup>st</sup> meeting of the United Church of Canada's General Council, it was decided that all Israeli products coming from Palestine should be boycotted. On Wednesday, November 21 at 7 pm, Forest Hill United Church (45 Kimble Court, Off Forest Hill Road) welcomes GC41 commissioners Barbara Kelly, Rev. Steve Longmoore and Rev. Lori Beth Sheffield-Bowles to educate us on the issue, For more info, contact revalismith@gmail.com

"Sounds of the Season" Wilmot United presents a fundraising concert on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 7:30 pm featuring tenor Derrick Paul Miller along with Carolyn Holyoke and Steven Peacock. The concert will be an eclectic mix of Christmas, Classical, and Celtic music, and a few surprises. These musicians will be joined by pianist Dianne Roxborough Brown and the Fredericton Male Chorus accompanied by Doris Nicholson. Tickets are \$20, students with ID \$15, children 12 and under \$10 and are available at the Church office, Westminster Books and at the door. For info call 458-1066.

Time For All Ages Be Careful

**Prayers of the People** 

Hymn Walk With Me

The Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me arr. Paxton

VU 649

**VU 218** 

**Dedication Verse** 

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator; in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you; we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

**Offertory Prayer** 

Scriptures 1 Samuel 2: 1-10 Jack Simpson

Mark 13: 1-8

**Anthem** 

**Sermon** Changing Times

**Hymn** May the God of Hope Go with Us VU 424

**Commissioning and Benediction** 

## **Postlude**

Photo Directory: It has been 5 years since we had our last Photo Directory published - time for a new one! Our photo sessions will be on December 3,4,6,7 & 10,11,12,13,14. Please read the insert in your bulletin and take the time to look at the display in the Hall with information and some sample pictures. If you have any questions please call Cathy in the office at 458-1183.

Please come and be a part of our Church History!

## Share the joy of Christmas with a child

Please check out the Children's Wish Tree at the back of the sanctuary this morning. You will find gift tags bearing Santa wishes from 40 children whose families are being looked after by the Fredericton Food Bank this Christmas. Select a tag for a boy or a girl, a tot or a teen, buy the gift the child would like and please return it to the Church by December 2, White Gift Sunday.

If you prefer, you can help by making a monetary gift in the White Gift envelope (in next week's bulletin). Please make cheques payable to St. Paul's United. This money will be used to brighten the Christmas season for families being helped by the Salvation Army and the Food Bank. If you would like more information on these projects, please call Judy Thorne at 459-8521.

St. Paul's has always been generous in helping those who have little. Let us continue this tradition as we celebrate this wonderful time of year.

## **Triennial Visit**

On behalf of the Pastoral Care and Support Committee of Woolastook Presbytery, Dorothy Webster and Rev. Kelly Burke will be coming to St Paul's for a triennial visit on Nov. 28th starting at 7pm with the congregation (any and all are welcome to attend), the presbytery reps will then meet with M&P at 8 pm.

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers Christmas Wreath Sale Double-sided, 12" balsam fir wreaths -- Undecorated \$12. -- Decorated \$14. (pine cones, white cedar branches, red velvet bow) Contact Anna Goddard at 459-8771; or Nancy MacGarvie at 455-3026 Deadline is Nov. 25 [available Dec. 2 at 83 Grey St.] Funds raised will be donated to the Stephen Lewis Foundation and the Help Lesotho Campaign



Christmas Wish Tree Alert! Every year the people of St. Paul's share their Christmas spirit and generosity by buying gifts for children. Next week — November 18 — the Children's Wish Tree will be set up at the back of the sanctuary. On it, you will find gift tags bearing Santa wishes from 40 children whose families are being looked after by the Fredericton Food Bank this Christmas. Select a tag, buy a gift and return it to the Church by December 2. Many of you look forward to sharing in this tradition. We hope we can count on your support again this year.

#### **UCW NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

We will be selling FROZEN Mincemeat pies: small size for \$5., 9 inch size for \$10, Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board to order or call Donna Chauvin at 458-5885. UCW Ladies... the pies will be made on Friday, Nov. 16th at 9 a.m., please join us. The ordered pies may be picked up on Friday, November 16th or on Sunday, November 18th after church. The rest will be available at the sale on Saturday, Nov. 24th, doors open at 10 a.m.

The Morning and Evening UCW Units will hold a combined meeting on Monday, November 19th at 7:00 P.M. in the Ladies' Parlour. Please answer Roll Call with a toonie to support special Unit activities. Guest speaker, Martha Jo Finnamore, will highlight the mission of "Changes", and share with us the remarkable differences that "Changes" has made in her life. All women of the Congregation are welcome to join us.

## **UCW Annual Christmas Bazaar**

Sat. Nov. 24, beginning at 10 a.m.

This year we will feature the following:

Bake table, Craft table, Mince meat pies, frozen casseroles, New to you table, Christmas Bows, Christmas ornaments, gently used Christmas decorations, Jewellery and a Coffee to go window.

Your donation of unwanted jewellery and other items for the bazaar would be much appreciated. Please leave your items at the church office or call Ann Raper 457-0164 or Barb McGuigan 459-8834 for pick-up.