

**ST. PAUL'S & WILMOT UNITED CHURCHES**  
**JOINT SUMMER SERVICES**  
**July 22, 2012**

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.  
 At the points marked \* - those who are able are invited to stand.

**THE PEOPLE GATHER**

**Prelude:** Voluntary No. 4 (Stanley)

**Guitar Music:** Andante (Marella)  
 Gerry Vanwart & Steven Peacock

**Choral Introit:** Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying VU #400

**Welcome to the Church**

**Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Flowers bloom, seeds fall to the earth.  
 Nature's rhythm gives profound beauty to generations.

***We declare that God's love stands firm forever.***

Like the depth of the ocean and the flowing of rivers,  
***we constantly sing of God's flowing love.***

In the soil and the sea is the capacity for food for all.

***We exult in God's justice.***

God's creation is a prophetic voice of sacred balance.

***Let us praise God's name all day long!***

**We Light The Christ Candle**

\* **Hymn:** Bring Many Names VU #268

**Opening Prayer:**

We sing of your love forever, O God,  
***and rejoice in your covenant with all creation.***

Ours is a covenant of beauty, growth, and faithfulness.

***a colourful covenant of love, justice. And hope.***

Embolden us to enter into covenant with you and with one another.

***Strengthen the faint-hearted,  
 comfort the lonely,  
 and fortify the marginalized.***

Empower us to share your spirit of generosity and service,

***so our relationships reflect your love and compassion.***

In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray.

***Amen.***

\* **Hymn:** Called by Earth and Sky MV #135

**Connecting to our Hearts' Longing**

**Guitar Music:** Andante (Pujol)

**Silence for Reflection**

**Assurance of God's Love:** Psalm 23: 1- 3a

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.  
 He maketh me lie down in green pastures;  
 he leads me beside still waters;  
 he restores my soul.

**LISTENING FOR TRUTH**

**Prayer of Illumination:** (Unison) Lois MacDougall

***O God,  
 your Word is a lamp to our feet,  
 and a light to our path.  
 Give us grace to receive your truth  
 in faith and love. Amen.***

**Scripture:** Mark 6: 30 - 34

**Congregational Response:**

One: This is the witness of God's people.

***All: Thanks be to God!***

**Guitar Music:** Allegro (Vivaldi)

Sermon: God is Compassionate Love

Rev. R. Gaskin

Today's bulletin is sponsored by the family of *Joyce & Cliff Moase in honour of their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.*

Time For Silent Reflection

\* Hymn: We Are Pilgrims

VU #595

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to The Offering

Offertory Music: Milonga

(Cardoso)

\* Doxology

VU #541

**SUMMER WORSHIP:** Services of Worship for the month of July will be held at Wilmot and at St. Paul's for the month of August and Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Time of worship is 10:30 am.

*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.*

\* Prayer of Dedication

*We bring our gifts to you, God.  
Here is the work of our hands,  
and here is the love of our hearts.  
Accept them and use them,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**PRESBYTERY VISIT:** All congregations are required to have an oversight visit from Presbytery every 3 years. We have one tentatively planned at Wilmot for Wednesday July 25th. The review team will meet separately with the minister, the Ministry & Personnel Committee, and the Official Board/Congregation. Everyone is invited to attend the session with the Official Board/Congregation that will held at 7:30 in the Church Parlour.

**HOUSECLEANING AT WILMOT** will be held August 27, 28 and 29<sup>th</sup>. Reserve some time to come and help us. Thank You!

Prayers of the People

Rev. Ellen Beairsto

**CHURCH PARKING STICKERS:** Current Wilmot members and adherents who wish to use our parking lot on Carleton St. for church purposes may now obtain new numbered white stickers from Marlene in the church office, for \$10 each, to recover the cost of printing the stickers. The new stickers are valid until August 31, 2017 and replace the gold stickers which expired at the end of 2011.

The Last Word: Ephesians 2: 19 - 22

\* Hymn: I Feel the Winds of God

VU #625

**50<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY "AT HOME"** - 25 July. You are all invited to our "Family At Home" in the Wilmot parlor on Wednesday, July 25 from 3 - 5 pm. Best Wishes only. A donation to the Food Bank would be appreciated.

*Bob & Johanne Jones*

\* Commissioning

\* Benediction

\* Choral Amen

Postlude: Festal Day

(Hill)

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Aug 27th - 31st, 9 am - 11:30 am at St. Paul's United Church. Children ages 4 yrs - 10 yrs (helpers ages 11 yrs+) are welcome to explore this year's theme **Music Machine!** Offered jointly by Wilmot United and St. Paul's United, your support is appreciated through donations. Please speak to Kelly Ebbett regarding registrations, donations or volunteering. Contact [kelly@wilmotuc.nb.ca](mailto:kelly@wilmotuc.nb.ca) or phone 472-7716.

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You are invited to remain for the Postlude as it is part of our Worship Service.  
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**JULY 22:** As part of Marysville's 150th Anniversary, the Marysville United Church will host a Strawberry Social in the Boss' Café, 351 Canada Street on **today**, July 22, noon - 2 pm. Cost is \$8/person which includes casserole, oven-baked ham, strawberry shortcake, tea and coffee. All are welcome.

**AUGUST 18:** "An Evening of Music" 7 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church in Harvey. Special guests will be *Maple Syrup*, *The Dionne Sisters* and many local musicians. Free will offering will be received for our Emergency Fund which is used to help people not only in our congregation but in the community with unexpected medical expenses, groceries, oil bills, etc. Everyone is welcome.

**SEPTEMBER 15:** Faith Baptist Church in New Maryland is presenting Beth Moore with worship by Travis Cottrell Live Simulcast, September 15, 10 am to 5:15 pm. Doors open at 9 am. Are you ready to see God's Word in a new way? There's nothing quite like worshipping the Lord with Bible teacher Beth Moore, worship leader Travis Cottrell, and a church full of women. If you've never experienced Living Proof Live, join us for a time of life-changing worship and one-of-a-kind teaching. Tickets (\$25 (individual) or \$20 for group of \$10) available at The Lighthouse or email [register@faithbaptistchurch.ca](mailto:register@faithbaptistchurch.ca)

**CAN YOU HELP?** St. Paul's would appreciate 1 or 2 adult volunteers with an interest in Scouting to be part of a Group Committee. The commitment requires a police record check, willingness to adhere to the aims and principles of Scouts Canada, take training and have the time to attend 2 meetings a month. There are returning youth and leaders who meet on a regular weekly basis on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings and an upcoming parking fundraiser in September. The adult registration process must be completed by the end of August in order for youth meetings (Beaver, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers) to begin in September. If you are interested in volunteering to assist these Scouting groups that St. Paul's has sponsored since 1946 or for further information, please call Helen Craig at 472-4886.

**DRAMA CAMP:** The Callithumpians are hosting a Summer Drama Camp and scholarships are available for anyone wishing to attend. To apply for one of these scholarships or for more information, please contact Ryan at 457-1975.

**PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOP:** When: Saturday, September 22nd, (9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.) Where: Forest Hill United Church, Fredericton. Registration: \$25. Lunch: Available (free will offering). Pastoral Care has been defined plainly as "reaching out". With this understanding, it is clear that the need for pastoral care in society is limitless, and that the responsibility of pastoral care is not a solo function, but one that involves a larger community. Dr. Darlene Brewer will lead participants in the basics of effective and responsible pastoral care. Learn what pastoral care is and what it is not, and its connection to worship and outreach. Learn how to set boundaries and manage expectations, and discover true personal enrichment in helping others. To register: contact Marilyn Lohnes at (506) 455-9272, or by email: [ffolk@rogers.com](mailto:ffolk@rogers.com).

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**Rev. Rose-Hannah Gaskin**

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