

St. Paul's United Church

September 30, 2012

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

Prelude He Leadeth Me arr. Paxton

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

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary MV 18

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn What a Friend We have in Jesus VU 664

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

*You are the God of sea and sky,
of rock and tree and creature—
and you are wonderful, God!*

*Would you bless us
with the knowledge
in our bodies, our hearts, and our minds,
that you are with us in this moment,
and in every moment?*

*Would you bless us
with your joy of all creation,
with your desire for its wholeness,
with your will for its renewal?*

*In the dance of the Spirit, in the name of Christ,
we ask it. Amen!*

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*Keep up to date on upcoming activities
and stay in touch in between Sundays!*

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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

Sunday, September 30
3:30 p.m. Blessing of the Animals—Odell Park

Tuesday, October 2
10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study—Ladies Parlour
10:00 a.m. Play Group - Gym
1:00 p.m. Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
6:30-8:00 p.m. Cubs - Gym
7:00-8:30 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study—Quilter's
7:30-9:30 p.m. Fredericton Choral Society - Hall

Wednesday, October 3
9:00-11:00 The Pantry
10:00 a.m. Wed. Discussion Group - Quilter's
6:30-7:30 p.m. Beavers - Gym

Thursday, October 4
1:00 p.m. Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
7:15 p.m. Sr. Choir Practice - Hall

Gibson Memorial United Church will be hosting a **Day Retreat**, “Contemplative Prayer with Sister Sue of Sisters of St. John Divine”, Saturday, October 13, 9:30 – 3:00 p.m. This event is open to all congregations.

OPAL III Family Services is in need of volunteers on various levels, from those who provide a couple of hours a week or more of respite care for one of the special families, to those who help with the organizational work—serving on the Board or committees, helping organize special events for the families. A great opportunity for families to volunteer together.

St. Paul’s Church in Sussex is holding a **Men’s Breakfast** on Saturday, Oct. 6th at 7:30 am. All Church men are invited. Confirm attendance by Oct. 3rd, by contacting Ami Stackhouse at stpauls@nb.aibn.com.

Godly Play for Caregivers and Tots: Consider this, a space each week where caregivers can come with their tots to receive spiritual nourishment, meet new people and swap child rearing wisdom. Starting Thursday Oct 4th from 10-11:30am, Rev. Priscilla Geisterfer will be offering a weekly space at Nashwaaksis United Church where caregivers and their tots can deepen their faith through Godly Play, an approach to telling the stories of our tradition in a way that is as profound for adults as it is for children. So come, bring the children in your care and share time and stories with others. For more information contact Rev. Priscilla at (506) 260-0621, priscilla@nashwaaksisunited.ca.

The Charlotte Street Arts Centre hosts acclaimed pianist and Phantom of the Opera Star Robert Kortgaard, acclaimed Canadian pianist and accompanist accompanies The Phantom of the Opera star, Rebecca Caine, in a musical theatre performance on October 31st. Doors open at 7 pm and the show begins at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available at the Charlotte Street Arts Centre at 732 Charlotte Street, Room 200 and will also be available at the door. Tickets are \$50 each.

The Lord’s Prayer VU 959

Time For All Ages Being Salt

Prayers of The People

Hymn Spirit of the Living God VU 376

The Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Deep River arr. Scott

Dedication Verse VU 218

*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.*

Scriptures Numbers 11: 4-29, James 5: 13-20 David Thorne
Mark 9: 38-50

Anthem Saviour of My Heart Hartley, Walsh & Bielec

Sermon Stumbling Through Life

Hymn You Shall Go Out with Joy VU 884

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude Ceremonial March Wetherill

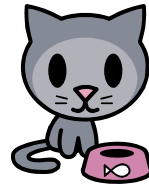
For those who have hearing difficulties we have printouts of the scripture readings and for those with visual impairments we also offer Large Print Bulletins available in the narthex. Each service is recorded onto CD, please contact the Church office if you would like a recorded copy.

REVERSE OFFERING—the Sunday school children will be passing out little pieces of paper this morning with items needs for the pantry. Next Sunday is Pantry Sunday so if you could please return them by then it would be greatly appreciated.



Blessing of the Animals: The Fredericton United Church Clergy will offer a Blessing of the Animals service TODAY at 3:30 pm in Odell Park. Bring along your pet and/or

service animal to be blessed and to take part in this special day! Animals of all types are welcome. "All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small..."



It's not too late to join the **Tuesday Evening Ladies Bible Study** (sign up sheet on the bulletin board). Facilitated by Rev. Lori Beth and will begin October 2 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Quilter's Parlour. "The Girls Still Got It" by Liz Curtis Higgs. Take a walk with **RUTH** and the God who rocked her world! Cost is \$15 **This study is an opportunity for the young women, the working and stay at home moms in our congregation to nourish and energize their faith.**



On Sunday, October 7th we will celebrate **Thanksgiving** and participate in **World Wide Communion.**

The **Memorial Hymn Sing** will be held during Sunday service on October 21 at 10:30 am. At that time, the choir will perform several selections of music for your enjoyment. This event has always been a successful fundraiser for the Restoration Fund at St Paul's....and we are sure that this year's Hymn Sing will not be an exception. We urge you to consider making a memorial donation in memory of a loved one and help support the Restoration of St Paul's. Letters (pink paper) have been placed on the tables in the Narthex. Thank you to those who already made donations earlier this year.



HOSPITAL VISITATION

If you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in hospital or ill, please contact the office at 458-1183 and let Cathy know, she will pass the information along to Rev. Lori Beth, Diane Quigg (hospital visitation) or to the Pastoral Care Committee.

St. Paul's Community Outreach Project: **BROWN BAG**

Items needed:

- chef-boy-r-dee
- chicken or tuna snack packs
- juices
- lunch box snacks; cheese & crackers, wagon wheels, individually wrapped cookies



Please ensure that the cans of protein have a lift tab on them. With fall and colder weather coming we will see an increase in our homeless seeking food.

PLAY GROUP



Did you know that St. Paul's has a play group that meets here each Tuesday morning from 10 to 11:30? An opportunity for moms/dads/grandparents to get out and spend some time with other adults while allowing the children to interact with each other. Babies to kindergarten—come try

it out!

St. Paul's Fellowship Dinner

October 24th at 5:45 p.m.

Watch for further details in upcoming bulletins

Fredericton Music Society Gala Awards Concert

TODAY, 3 p.m.

Grace Memorial Baptist Church

Recognizing contribution to music education and performance. Dr. Willis Noble, Richard Hornsby, Helen Morag McKinnon, Catherine Hughes-Seto and Julie Maston

WILMOT FALL RUMMAGE SALE: Friday, October 12th from 3 pm-7pm and Saturday, October 13th from 9 am-12 noon. We are located at the corner of King & Carleton Street. We will have a great selection of used Fall & Winter clothing, linens, books, toys and household goods.