

St. Paul's United Church

November 3rd, 2013

24th after Pentecost

181st Anniversary Service

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

Prelude Come, Come Ye Saints arr. Keller

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
*Dance with the Spirit early in the morning'
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life a-born-in',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.*

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn I Have Called You by Your Name MV 161

Prayer of the Day (Unison)

*We praise you, O God, for being not only the God of history
but the God of our story. You have gathered us here today
to remind us that although you are the one to whom all
power belongs, yet you care for the weak and powerless.
You care for us. We praise you for joining your story to ours
in such a special way through Jesus, our Lord. He proved
his great love for you and for each person in the way he
lived - releasing what was captive, lifting up the burdened,
seeking out the lost, empowering the powerless. We marvel
anew at the depth of your care for us and the many ways*

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



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Weekly Activities

Mon., Wed., Fri.	12–1 p.m.	Exercise Group—Gym/Hall
Monday-Friday	11:30–1 p.m.	AA—Youth Lounge
Tuesday & Thursday	1–4 p.m.	Quilting—Quilter's Parlour
Tuesday & Saturday	8–9 p.m.	AA—Youth Lounge
Tuesday	10 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
2:30 p.m. Love Yoga	6:30–8	Beavers & Cubs—gym
Wednesday	9–11 a.m.	The Pantry
	10 a.m.	Wed. Morning Discussion
	5 p.m.	Youth Group
Wed & Thurs	6:30–8:30 p.m.	B-Boying—gym

Thursday, Nov. 7

9 a.m.

Mince Meat Pie Prep—UCW

Sunday, Nov. 10

Remembrance Day Service

Monday, Nov. 11

Remembrance Day

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, Nov. 12

Board Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 13

10:00 a.m.

UCW—St. Anne's Court

First Reader By Billy Collins

I can see them standing politely on the wide pages
that I was still learning to turn,
Jane in a blue jumper, Dick with his crayon-brown hair,
playing with a ball or exploring the cosmos
of the backyard, unaware they are the first characters,
the boy and girl who begin fiction.

Beyond the simple illustration of their neighborhood
the other protagonists were waiting in a huddle:
frightening Heathcliff, frightened Pip, Nick Adams
carrying a fishing rod, Emma Bovary riding into Rouen.

But I would read about the perfect boy and his sister
even before I would read about Adam and Eve, garden and gate,
and before I heard the name Gutenberg, the type
of their simple talk was moving into my focusing eyes.

It was always Saturday and he and she
were always pointing at something and shouting "Look!"
pointing at the dog, the bicycle, or at their father
as he pushed a hand mower over the lawn,
waving at aproned mother framed in the kitchen doorway,
pointing toward the sky, pointing at each other.

They wanted us to look but we had looked already
and seen the shaded lawn, the wagon, the postman.
We had seen the dog, walked, watered and fed the animal,
and now it was time to discover the infinite, clicking
permutations of the alphabet's small and capital letters.
Alphabetical ourselves in the rows of classroom desks,
we were forgetting how to look, learning how to read.

Your Financial Offering

Thank you to everyone for your regular financial contributions for the operations and growth of St Paul's. We truly appreciate your continued support.

Community News

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers are once again selling wreaths. A 12 inch balsam fir undecorated is \$12, decorated \$14. Please contact Sue Short 455-5377, Anna Goddard 459-8771 or Nancy MacGarvie 455-3026. Proceeds go to Stephen Lewis Foundation and Help Lesotho Campaign. Deadline for orders is November 24.

Fredericton's **Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers** invites you to hear Dr. Peg Herbert, founder and Executive Director of *Help Lesotho* speak about the work of this organization with girls and grandmothers in the kingdom of Lesotho, Southern Africa; a country suffering from AIDS, poverty and famine. Dr. Herbert, whose background is in social work and educational psychology, will speak from personal experience in a message that is sure to inspire. Please join us at St. Anthony's Church, 603 Union Street, on Wednesday morning November 6th at 10:30 am. Everyone is welcome!

Surviving the Holidays DivorceCare – November 5 from 7-9 PM
If you are separated or divorced, the holidays can be a lonely, stressful, and depressing time. But there's hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar to discover how to enjoy the holidays again. Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Northumberland and Connaught, 458-8527.

Surviving the Holidays GriefShare – December 2 from 7-9 PM
No matter how long it's been since your loved one died, grief can make the holidays a painful time. Join us for a seminar that will help you survive the holidays and discover new reasons to enjoy them again. Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Northumberland & Connaught, 458-8527.

The **Wilmot UCW** will be holding it's annual Bake Sale & New-To-You Sale on Friday November 29th from 9am-1pm. We will once again have a great selection of Baked goods, fudge, preserves and

our lives have been blessed by the sacrificial life and love of Jesus in whose name we pray. Amen

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The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

Baptism

please see insert

Samantha Elizabeth Berry
daughter of Michael & Tricia Berry

Children's Choir Jesus Loves Even Me

Prayers of the People

Offertory Hymn Come, Let Us Sing VU 574

Offertory I Have Decided to Follow Jesus arr. Carter
played by Iris Kim

Dedication Verse VU 540

***Grant us God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.***

Offertory Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 19: 1-10 Sue Short

UCW News

The UCW will be gathering in the kitchen at 9 a.m. on Thursday, November 7th to make mince meat. Many helping hands are welcome to peel apples. Come along for the fellowship and bring your paring knife.

Our monthly meeting will be on November 13th at 10 a.m. at St. Anne's Court. We will car pool from the Charlotte Street parking lot at 9:45 a.m. Please answer Roll Call with instant or perked coffee or coffee whitener for Grace House. Our speaker will be Debbie Peck to tell us about Christmas greenery. Everyone is welcome.

MINCE MEAT PIES: There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board just outside Fraser Memorial Hall. Small \$5, Large (9") \$10. The pies will be made on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 9 a.m. If you have never made pies before, come along for the learning experience! Many hands make light work. To order a pie please call Donna Chauvin at 458-5885.

Brown Bag Program: We are (always) in need of protein and small juice boxes. Your donations are very much appreciated.

Pantry: We are in need of the following items: flour, splenda, ground coffee, cereal, granola bars, white sugar, peanut butter, jams, raisins (snack boxes), dish detergent, mayonnaise and pancake syrup.

If you are new to the congregation, wish to use envelopes or sign up for PAR, receive emails or have a new email address please contact Cathy in the office at 458-1183 or fill in the following form and place in the collection plate. Thank you

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Address: _____

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

Anthem Take it to the Lord in Prayer arr. Koerts

Sermon This is What I Wanted To Tell You
The Right Reverend Dr. Peter Short

Hymn Healer of Our Every Ill VU 619

Commissioning

Sung Benediction Peace Be With You MV 215
*Peace be with you, peace for ever,
peace be with you, my friends.
Till we meet again, may God be with you.
Peace, peace, peace*

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Postlude The Church's One Foundation Mansfield

We invite you to remain for the Postlude as part of our Worship

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Samantha Elizabeth Berry
daughter of
Tricia and Michael Berry

Statement of Purpose

I Corinthians 12:12-13, 27

Presentation of Candidate Elder Jane Blakely

Vows of Baptism

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

We do

Will you share your faith with Samantha, growing with her in faith, hope, and love?

We will, God being our helper.

Congregational Commitment

The congregation stands, as they are able, and provides witness and support to the sacrament of baptisms.

Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations, and to offer God's gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to the parents and the child about to be baptized, as their lives and grow in Christ?

We do, by the grace of God.

Declaration of Faith: A New Creed VU 918

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

*We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.*

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

*to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in
Creation,*

*to love and serve others; to seek justice and resist
evil,*

*to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.*

*In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. We are not alone.*

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Pouring of Water

The Act of Baptism:

Blessing

Marking with the Sign of the Cross

Passing of the Light

Receive the light of Christ;

you have passed from darkness to light.

You have been enlightened by Christ.

Walk always as children of the light.

Welcoming

Choir Blessing VU 454