

# St. Paul's United Church

January 6, 2013

Epiphany

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

**Prelude** What is This Lovely Fragrance? arr. Scott

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

**Introit** Will You Come and See the Light VU 96 (vs 1)  
*Will you come and see the light from the stable door?  
It is shining newly bright, though it shone before.  
It will be your guiding star,  
it will show you who you are;  
will you hide, or decide to meet the light?*

## Welcome and Announcements

**Hymn** The First Noel VU 91

**Prayer of the Day** (Isaiah 60:1-6) (Written by Rev. Richard Bott)

One: Arise Jerusalem and shine like the sun; for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

**All** *Behold, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness the peoples; but on you the light of the Lord will shine, the Brightness of God's presence will be seen upon you.*

One: Nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising. Lift up your eyes and look about you.

**All:** *All assemble and come to you. Your sons come from afar and your daughters are carried like young children in loving arms.*

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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 Robicbeau

## 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, January 7

10:00 a.m.

UCW Annual Meeting—Ladies Parlour

### Tuesday, January 8

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 Eve. Book Study—January 15th

6:20-9:30 p.m.

Fredericton Choral Society - Hall

### Wednesday, January 9

9:00-11:00

The Pantry

10:00 a.m.

Wed. Discussion Group - Quilter's

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Beavers - Gym

### Thursday, January 10

1:00 p.m.

Quilting - Quilter's Parlour

7:15 p.m.

Sr. Choir Practice - Hall

**Anthem** We Three Kings of Orient Are Hopkins  
Soloists: Ralph Simpson, Dave Thorne, Doug Warman

**Sermon** The Light Goes On

**Hymn** As With Gladness Men of Old VU 81

**Commissioning and Benediction**

**Postlude** Fantasia on "Dix" arr. Smith

Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to Janis, Gil Violette and their family and also to Florence Bartlett in the death of Velma Stairs, mother of Janis and sister to Florence.

A donation has been made to the Restoration Fund in loving memory of Marjorie Rayner by Alan and Brenda Rayner.

Please remember to start using your 2013 envelopes as some of your envelope numbers have been changed. Thanks—Cathy

The annual meeting of **St. Paul's UCW** will be held Jan. 7, 10 am in the parlour. All ladies of the congregation are invited to attend.

A retirement dinner for **George Piers** to recognize his over 30 years of service to the Fredericton Community Kitchen will be held on Friday, January 11, at 6:30 pm (Dinner at 7:00) at the Capital Winter Club 232 Rookwood Ave. TICKETS \$10 Available at the Kitchen or by calling Sheryl at 457-1788

The **Fredericton Choral Society** welcomes new and returning members on Tuesday, January 8th at St. Paul's United. Registration will begin at 6.20 pm, and rehearsal at 7.20 pm. If you miss the 8th, don't worry - registration will continue for 2 more weeks. Membership fee for the term is \$40, \$65 family, \$15 students. Music can be purchased or borrowed. Call Janet at 488-9894 for information.

One Then you will be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth of the seas will be brought to you; to you the riches of the nations will come. Herds of camels will cover your land and caravans will come from Midian and Ephah.

**All: The people of Sheba will bring gold and spices and proclaim the praise of the Lord.**

One: Let us pray

**All: O God our Creator, in you alone are the riches of life. We come from the East and we come from the West knowing we follow, on our different roads, the same star to the same place. May we share what we know of its light, learn from each other the way to the stable, worship you, our only wealth, and serve the world with Gospel gold. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**The Lord's Prayer** VU 959

**Time For All Ages** Seeking Jesus

**Prayers of the People**

**Hymn** I Am the Light of The World VU 87

**The Offering**

**Offertory** Star of the East arr. Wilson  
**Dedication Verse** VU 55 (vs 4)

*What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;  
if I were a wise man, I would do my part;  
yet what I can I give him—give my heart.*

**Offertory Prayer**

**Scriptures** Matthew 2: 1-12 Bob Miller