

St. Paul's United Church

December 8, 2013
Advent II
"Peace"

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

Prelude Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

arr. Thygerson

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

Lighting the Advent Candle (Back Cover) The Murphy Family
Corey, Leah, Quinn & Ronan
Introit MV 221

I am walking a path of peace, I am walking a path of peace, I am walking a path of peace, lead me home, lead me home.

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming VU 8

Prayer of the Day (Responsive)
O Advent Day, O Day of Peace!

May the reign of Christ outlast the sun, outlive the moon—age after age after age!

We gather to wait together for our Saviour, the Christ, whose birth is drawing near.

May he outlast the sun, outlive the moon—age after age after age!

Today, Scripture reminds us of our calling...to be those that cocreate Peace...

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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	6:30 p.m.	Ball Hockey—gym
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	10:00 a.m.	Advent Bible Study
	2:30 p.m.	Love Yoga
	6:30-8 p.m.	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 pm	B-Boying—gym

A White Gift envelope has been included with your bulletin today. Donations received will be used to brighten the Christmas season for families being helped by the Salvation Army and the Food Bank. Please make cheques payable to St. Paul's United Church. Thank you for sharing the joy of Christmas.

St. Paul's UCW will meet on December 9th, 6 pm at the home of Doug Warman, 11 Veterans Drive, Marysville. This will be a pot luck. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us.

Community News

Caroling/Prayer Walk December 10, Noon Assemble in front of City Hall; walk, carol and pray along Queen St. to the Legislature. Musicians will lead us in singing and our Gideons will help us with the walk. We stay on the sidewalks. The theme of the walk is: 1 Timothy 1:1,2 Our singing and praying is solely dedicated to our secular and our spiritual leaders, including our Mayor, Spiritual Leaders, the Army, Police, Fire Department, First Nations People, our Judiciary, Employment, our Youth, the Food Bank, the Less Fortunate, the Premier and Parliament, and our Governor General.

Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Northumberland and Connaught, will present a **Celebration of Christmas Praise** on Sunday, December 15 at 6:00 PM. The program will feature selections by the Celebration Orchestra, Sr and Jr Choirs, solos, vocal ensembles, instrumentals, and congregational singing. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: The congregation of Brunswick Street Baptist Church invites you to join them for the annual Candlelight service – an oasis of peace in the midst of the Christmas rush! Sunday, December 15, 6:30 pm. Includes music by choir, soloists, instrumentalists and preceded (6:10 pm) by a mini-concert by Steven Peacock (guitar) and Yvonne Kershaw (flute). The offering goes to support the Community Health Clinic on

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May our efforts outlast the sun, outlive the moon—age after age after age!

Salvation will come from the places we least expect it, and arrive in the places most in need!

Come let us Worship! Come let us gather to hear the Story once again!

Let us remember that Jesus the Christ, the Saviour of all will outlast the sun, outlive the moon—age after age after age! Amen.

(Used with Permission written by Rev. Shannan Vance-Ocampo)

The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

Time for All Ages Preparing the Way

Moment for Community

Prayers of the People

Offertory Hymn On Jordan's Bank VU 20

Offertory See Amid the Winter Snow arr. Wagner

Dedication Verse VU 55

What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;

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

Scripture Reading Isaiah 11:1–10

Laura Steeves

Romans 15:4–13 Matthew 3:1–12 Laura Steeves Rev. Lori Beth

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Financial Contributions for December 1, 2013

Operating Loose PAR \$ 2,993.25 35.50

1,879.98 \$ 4,908.73

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

Upcoming Christmas Services & Events

December 8 Second Sunday in Advent "Peace"

December 9 UCW Potluck Supper, 11 Veteran's Drive,

Marysville

December 13 Youth Group, Open Mike Night (Pot Luck),

6:30—8:30 p.m. Fraser Hall

December 15 Third Sunday in Advent "Joy"

December 22 Fourth Sunday in Advent "Love"

Sunday School presentation, Youth Choir

December 24 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service
Gather with your family and celebrate Christmas Eve!
Everyone is welcome! Let's truly make this a family affair!
11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Communion Service

December 29 10:30 a.m. Joint Service with Wilmot United

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Anthem Star of Advent

Choplin

Sermon Walking a Path of Peace

Hymn Angels, from the Realms of Glory VU 36

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 Sing Praise

Smith

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

An invitation is extended to all who are worshipping with us today to please feel free to join us for refreshments and conversation following the service in Fraser Memorial Hall.

St. Paul's Board will meet on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Ladies Parlour.

Church Calendars—There are only 3 church calendars left for sale. Cost is \$6 and can be purchased through the office. Just call Cathy at 458-1183 or drop by any day between 9 and 4.