

St. Paul's United Church

November 17th, 2013

26th after Pentecost

Children's Sunday

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

Prelude Appalachian Meditation Moore

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 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus VU 2

Prayer of the Day (Responsive)

One: We seek to come into loving relationship with you, our Living God. As a parent holds in close embrace a child who is cherished and loved,

All: so we are aware of your compassion to us, most caring God.

One: As a grandparent models patience and generosity to a grandchild,

All: so we are aware of your graciousness to us and to all humankind, most giving God.

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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 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

Monday, Nov. 18

10:00 a.m. UCW Business Meeting—Ladies Parlour

Sunday, Nov. 24

Membership Sunday

Love Yoga: 2:30—3:15 p.m. every Tuesday, bring your mat.
Are you holding your breath.

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: white sugar, cereal, large juice, large diapers, syrup for pancakes and baggies.

St. Paul's Youth Group: "Dinner at 5" Middle School, High School and beyond. Barbara & Joe's house, 271 Woodstock Road 455-0877 Ask me about Circle Of Caring

Community News

Gibson Memorial United will be hosting Sunday Night Meditation and Prayer Services. Sunday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Ron Hovey Music Room, will be "**A Service Centering On Guided Meditation**". Everyone is welcome!

Ten Thousand Villages Festival Sale will be held Friday, Nov., 22, from 10 am to 7 pm and Saturday, Nov., 23 from 9 am to 4 pm at Wilmot United, 473 King St., Fredericton. Admission is free.

Turkey Supper and bake sale at Forest Hill United on Sat., Nov. 23, from 4 - 6 p.m. Adults, \$12., ages 6 -12, \$5., ages 5 and under, free. Celiac meals and take-outs available. All are welcome.

The Stan Cassidy Foundation invites members of the congregation to help "Light Up a Life" this Christmas season. Watch your household mail, visit stancassidyfoundation.ca or call the foundation at 452-5753 for more information. Stan Cassidy was a St. Paul's member and has left a wonderful legacy. The Stan Cassidy Centre for Rehabilitation is now a leading North American rehab.

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers are selling wreaths. 12" balsam fir undecorated \$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.

The **Wilmot UCW** Bake Sale & New-To-You Sale on Friday Nov., 29 from 9am-1pm. Great selection of Baking, fudge and preserves

One: As a best friend is able to listen to the deepest longings of heart and soul,

All: so we are aware of your heartfelt concern for us, O ever-present God.

One: Deepen our relationship with you, Loving God, that created in your image and empowered by the example of Jesus Christ, we may be enabled to change our small corner of the world, for good.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

Time for All Ages

Be Not Afraid

Baptism

please see insert

**William Michael Efford Furlong
Son of Michael Furlong & Erin Efford**

Prayers of the People

Offertory Hymn

Great is Thy Faithfulness

VU 288

Offertory

Intermezzo

Mascagni

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

Isaiah 65:17–25
2 Thessalonians 3:6–13

Lynne Naugler
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Luke 21:5–19

Rev. Lori Beth

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Anthem Come Holy Light, Guide Divine Handel
arr. Wiley

Sermon God's Vision, and Our Vision

Hymn Be Thou My Vision VU 642

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 All' Offertorio Zipoli
Played by Iris Kim

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

Today we are happy to welcome William Michael Efford Furlong, son of Michael Furlong & Erin Efford into our St. Paul's church family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

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

Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to Katie Lakes and her family in the death of Katie's mother, Winnifred Pinnock of Stanley.

Our next **Membership Sunday** will be on November 24th. Anyone interested in transferring their membership to St. Paul's or becoming a members of St. Paul's is asked to please contact Rev. Lori Beth at reverend.loribeth@gmail.com or by calling the church office at 458-1183.

Financial Contributions for November 10, 2013

Operating	\$ 2,057.25
Loose	94.00
PAR	<u>1,879.98</u>
	\$4,031.23

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

UCW News

UCW business meeting Monday Nov.18 10am in the parlor

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.

UCW Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale: Nov., 30, 10 a.m.

Christmas Wish Tree Alert! Every year the people of St. Paul's share their Christmas spirit and generosity by buying gifts for children. Next week – **November 24** – the Children's Wish Tree will be set up at the back of the sanctuary. On it you will find gift tags bearing Santa wishes from 40 children whose families are being looked after by the Fredericton Food Bank this Christmas. Please select a tag, buy a gift and return it to the Church by **December 1**. Many of you look forward to sharing in this tradition. We hope we can count on your support again this year.

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

William Michael Efford Furlong
Son of
Michael Furlong and Erin Efford

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 William, growing with him 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 baptism.

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 they live 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