

St. Paul's United Church

March 16th 2014

Lent 2

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

Prelude Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (played by Iris Kim) Bach

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

Introit Don't Be Afraid MV 90
***Don't be afraid, my love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid, my love is stronger
and I have promised, promised to be always near.***

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn We Praise You O God VU 218

Call to Worship (Responsive)

One: We gather as a people for whom faith matters.

All: O God, deepen our faith.

One: We gather as a people rejoicing in memory.

All: O God, hallow our tradition.

One: We gather as a people committed to the church.

All: O God, give us joy in serving Jesus Christ.

One: We gather as a people who proclaim the Good News.

**All: In word and deed, your justice and compassion
shine out, O God.**

Written by *Rev. David Sparks*. Used with Permission

The Lord's Prayer VU 959

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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
	7:30—9 p.m.	Ladies Bible Study
	7—9	B-Boying—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 (postponed)	10 a.m.	Chris' 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
Thursday	12:00 p.m.	Thursdays in Lent—Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Senior Choir—Hall
	6:30-8:30 p.m.	B-Boying—gym

Gibson Memorial United Church will be hosting a Sunday Night Service **Centering on the Labyrinth**, March 16th at 7. The church hall will be open 1 –7 p.m. for people to walk the Labyrinth. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Attention Quilters! Nashwaaksis United, 46 Main St. is having our first **Quilt Show** and we need your quilts. The show will be **Friday April 4th; 4-9 pm and Saturday April 5th; 9 am to 3 pm**. If you have a quilt which you would like to display please call Elaine Crawford at 453-9912. This will give us an idea of how many quilts to expect for display layout. Proceeds from this show will go to support youth who are attending the Go Project in Toronto and Rendez-Vous in Winnipeg. Quilts can be dropped off at the church beginning Tuesday April 1st. If you need to drop a quilt off sooner please let Elaine know. Come and enjoy a feast for your eyes and your stomach (desserts, coffee and tea will be served). Spread the word!

Interested in Prison Ministry? If so, a mandatory training session will be held at Sunset Church, Saturday, March 22nd from 8:30am - 4:00pm (lunch provided). Further details available at Bridges office at 443-9960.

The Order of St. Luke Healing Ministry, Fredericton Chapter will hold a Healing Service at St. John's Anglican Church, Main Street on Sunday, March 16 at 7 p.m. Holy Communion, anointing with oil, laying on of hands and prayers for healing will be carried out by members of the Order of St. Luke. Everyone is Welcome.

Foster Families Needed: Last Two Information Sessions Before Summer! Thursday, March 27 & Tuesday, April 15 @7pm Regent Street Sobey's Community Room
Ever thought of becoming a foster family? There are children who need you now. There is an ongoing need in the Fredericton, Oromocto and all surrounding areas for new foster homes for babies and children of all ages. If you are interested in learning more, attend one of these sessions or call 1-800-990-0119 or visit our website at www.gnb.ca/family for more information.

Time for All Ages Measuring Love

Moment for Community Marguerite MacAlpine

Prayers of the People

Offertory Hymn Creating God We Give You Thanks VU 292

Offertory Vision L. N. Porter

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 Romans 4:1–5, 13–17 Betty Fitzpatrick

John 3:1–17 Rev. Lori Beth

Anthem Gentle Voice Dengler

Message For God So Loved the World

Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee VU 663

Commissioning

Sung Benediction

Postlude On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand Mason

*We invite you to stay and enjoy the postlude
as part of our worship service.*

An invitation is extended to all who are worshipping with us today to please join us for refreshments and conversation following the

The floral bouquet of tulips in the Sanctuary this morning has been placed in loving memory of Bud and Louise Warman by their son Douglas.



A donation to St. Paul's United Church has been made in memory of Vera Hoyt by Caroline and Ralph Simpson.

Congregational Meeting: A congregational meeting will take place today at 11:45 am to vote on hiring a full time minister pursuant to the directions given by the congregation to the Joint Search Committee.

Lent is a season in which we pay attention to our lives. We alter the familiar pattern – by fasting or by changing something in our daily routine. The purpose is to become aware of the gift of life in a new way. Come and join us to Celebrate God's Presence!

Youth Group Inspired: "Sing a new song unto the Lord." For the Sundays in Lent, we as a congregation at St. Paul's have the opportunity to praise God in a new way ~ through **Signing the Lord's Prayer**. The Choir will be leading us. Simply follow their actions or someone else whom you can see doing it. Experience the Awe - Barbara Cull Wilby

Thursdays in Lent Come and join us to Celebrate God's Presence! 12 – 1 pm, March 6st – April 10th Bring your Lunch and share in Fellowship for your/our journey through Lent. The following themes will be explored:

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| Week 3–Peace | March 20th |
| Week 4–Faith | March 27th |
| Week 5–Prayer of Gethsemane | April 3rd |
| Week 6–Easter Flowers | April 10th |

The **UCW** will be touring the Food Bank on Wednesday, March 19th at 10 am. We will car pool from the Charlotte Street parking lot at 9:30 am. We will have our meeting at the Food Bank. Please bring along a food donation. All ladies of the congregation

UCW Fashion Show & Luncheon

Jockey Person to Person Fashions
Saturday, March 29th, noon (\$10 admission)

The men of St Paul's are invited to a **Men's Study Group**, beginning in April. Watch the bulletin for further details or contact Derrick Grant at 454-8437.

Pantry Needs:

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| dish & laundry detergent | tea | deodorant for women |
| spaghetti sauce | Kleenex | sugar - white & brown |
| toilet paper | paper towels | soda crackers |
| Granola bars | | |

Financial Contributions for March 9, 2014

2014 Weekly Budget	\$3700.00
Operating	2768.75
Loose	26.00
PAR	<u>1537.48</u>
	+ \$ 632.23

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

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

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____