

St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. May 3rd, 2015

The people of St. Paul's United Church welcome you.

May there be a blessing for you in this house today.

** Please stand as you are able, sit as you prefer **

Prelude Peace Englert

*Greeting

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all,
and also with you.

Introit This is the Day (x2) MV 122

This is the day that God has made, we will rejoice and be glad.

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Singing hal-le-lu, singing hal-le-lu, singing hal-le-lu,

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Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Hymn** Joyful, Joyful MV 232

Opening Prayer

Surely the Lord is in this place and I knew it not. O God, you are in every place and your presence is all about us. Help us not to be so pressed by the concerns and circumstances of our daily lives that we lose the awareness of your presence, for by it we will climb the ladder from earth to heaven.

Assurance of God's Love

The Lord's Prayer VU 959

St. BPaul's Contact Information

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Keep up to date on upcoming activities

and stay in touch in between Sundays!

<http://www.facebook.com/stpaulsunitedfredericton>



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Rev. Richards's Office Hours:

Sunday: Afternoon By Appointment

Monday: 8:00—Noon, 1:00-4:00

Tuesday: 8:00—Noon

Wednesday: 1:00—4:00

Thursday: By Appointment

Regular Weekly Activities

Monday-Friday	11:30—1 p.m.	AA - Youth Lounge
Tuesday & Thursday	12—1 p.m.	Exercise Group - Gym
	1-4 p.m.	Quilting - Quilter's Parlour
Tuesday & Saturday	7—9 p.m.	AA - Youth Lounge
Tuesday	6:30-8 p.m.	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
Wednesday	9-11 a.m.	The Pantry
	10 a.m.	Wed. AM Discussion
Thursday	7 p.m.	Senior Choir - Hall
	7 p.m.	AA—Youth Lounge

“On Thursday, May 7th, Nashwaaksis United Church UCW, Unit 6, will host a **Spring Luncheon Bridge** at 12 noon at Nashwaaksis United Church, 46 Main Street. Cost is \$40 per table with proceeds going toward church and community outreach initiatives. Please contact Connie at 472-4744 to reserve your table.”



Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction

Saturday, May 9th, 5-7 pm

Christ Church Parish Church

Adults \$8, Kids \$4, Family \$25

The 3rd and 7th Fredericton Scouts are raising funds to assist 10 Scouts and 4 leaders to attend a week long Jamboree in Nova Scotia in July. Also, 3 Scouts, 3 Venturers and a leader will be attending the World Jamboree in Japan this summer.

Sanctuary Sound System Update

We previously informed you that the Sanctuary sound system was inspected by two companies and was found to be in good working order. There is now a new microphone on the pulpit that has a flexible gooseneck and is very easy to adjust. Anyone speaking from the pulpit is encouraged to adjust it as necessary and speak directly into it. The ideal distance is 6 inches.

Anyone who has hearing trouble should be aware that the Sanctuary sound system has an induction loop which can be picked up by a hearing aid that is equipped with a telecoil. There can be either a “T” position on the hearing aid switch, or the hearing aid can be programmed to enable the telecoil. The loop operates whenever the sound system operates. Not all hearing aids have a telecoil and if there is any doubt the supplier should be contacted to determine whether there is a telecoil and if it is enabled.

There are also various wireless hearing assistance devices that can receive the same induction loop signal using portable earphones. These devices are being evaluated now and more information will be provided when the evaluation is complete. If you are making a presentation during a Church service either from the pulpit or the floor it is important to use the microphones. It is our aim that everyone is able to hear the Church service clearly.

Time for All Ages

Hymn Jesus Loves Me (vs 1) VU 365
*Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so,
Little ones to him belong, they are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Prayers of the People

***Hymn** Jesus, Saviour Pilot Me VU 637

Offertory Cantilena Lau

***Dedication Verse** MV 191

*What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy! I'll say a prayer!
I'll bring my love! I'll do my share!*

Dedication Prayer (in unison)

May the life that was in Christ Jesus, O God, be in us, and let it be radiated from us and through us to other people. Give us the power and the grace to go out into our world and live as though Christ were living in us, that our world may be raised from death to life. Amen

Readings: John 20: 19-21 Noreen Barwise
John 21: 1, 12
Isaiah 30: 15

Anthem Be Not Afraid Dutton

Message *The Excitement of Spring* Rev. Bob Jones

***Hymn** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah VU 651

***Benediction**

***Choral Closing** You Shall Go Out With Joy VU 884

Postlude Come, Christians, Join to Sing arr.
Englert

We invite you to stay and enjoy the Postlude

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Greeters: Maude McNamara & Isabel Green
Coffee Hour May 10: Senior Choir, Alexis Ervin

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us this morning. Please join us for conversation and refreshments in Fraser Memorial Hall following the service.

Bulletin covers for the month of May have been donated in loving memory of Don and Phyl Peacock by their daughters Carole Peacock, Judy Thorne and Debbie Seymour.

Rev. Richard will return on Monday, May 4 after attending the **Cruxifusion Conference of 2015** in Toronto. Cruxifusion is a group within the United Church of Canada as diverse in theology and politics as the church itself. Members don't agree on everything, but they do agree that at the center of our faith stands Christ. For more information visit www.cruxifusion.ca or talk to Rev. Richard when he returns May 4th.

Thank you to Rev. Bob Jones for leading today's worship service in Richard's absence.

Birthday Hymn Sing! On May 24th we will be celebrating the birth of Christianity: Pentecost. As the Holy Spirit descends let our voices rise. Starting on May 10th there will be a request box for hymns, so whether your favourites are old or new, write down the name and number (if you know it) and we'll do our best to sing as many as we can.

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Financial Contributions for April 26, 2015

2015 Weekly Budget		\$4,750.00
Envelopes	2,363.75	
Loose	103.25	
PAR	<u>1,807.09</u>	
	4,274.09	

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Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

Children's Offering Envelopes are available in the Narthex—bright yellow ***"I feel good when I thank God"*** (remember to include your name and envelope #). This money goes to the Sunday School budget allowing them to purchase curriculum, supplies, hold party, special events, etc. **This is a positive tool to teach your children about supporting their church and learning the importance of stewardship.** Collection is received each Sunday.

Slow Cookers needed: The John Howard Society is hosting a new program aimed at supporting tenants in low-income housing and need donated slow cookers for an upcoming cooking workshop. Call 450-2750 x 227 or email oss@johnhowardfredericton.ca



Spring Festival of Praise Celebrating Grace Memorial Baptist Church's 50 year anniversary in our current facility and 170 years as a congregation, we are hosting a Spring Festival of Praise Concert on Sunday, May 3 at 7 PM. The program features sacred and secular music by the Harding Smith Memorial Handbell Choir, Celebration Orchestra, Senior Choir, and various Music Festival performers. The public is invited to attend. Free will donations for the Fredericton Food Bank will be received.

WE ARE ONE! Please join us Sunday, May 3, 7:00 pm, at Nashwaaksis United Church, for a special evening of music to celebrate the unifying power of music in our schools and communities. A free