

St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. April 5th, 2015—Easter Sunday

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 *



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Keep up to date on upcoming activities
and stay in touch in between Sundays!

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Prelude Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain Broughton

*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

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Darkness has been vanquished!

The bright light of hope has come! Hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

Hallelujah! Christ is risen! Hallelujah! AMEN!!

Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 1-12 Julian Walker

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn** Jesus Christ is Risen Today VU 155

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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
Monday	6:30-8:30pm	ShoeBox Dance - Gym
Tuesday (Lent break)	10 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study - Parlour
	6:30-8 p.m.	Beavers & Cubs - Gym
	7 p.m.	Fredericton Choral Society
Wednesday	9-11 a.m.	The Pantry
	10 a.m.	Wed. AM Discussion
Thursday	6 p.m.	Ball Hockey—Gym
	7 p.m.	Senior Choir - Hall
	7 p.m.	AA—Youth Lounge

Help Needed! (please) There are two Fridays of the month that we are in need of bulletin folders. If you can help out please call Cathy in the office at 458-1183 or cathyimpson@nb.aibn.com The time commitment is about 1 to 1/5 hours per week.

REPORT FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE

We are encouraged to have you worshipping with us today! As you know we had many cold days and snowstorms this year especially on weekends! Unfortunately, along with these closures and poor conditions making it hard for many to come to worship, it also means our budget has taken a serious hit.

Even though the church might be closed on a particular Sunday, we are still very active through the week, and we need your help to keep the lights and heat on and the snow ploughed. If you have missed a Sunday here or there, please consider including some of that Sunday's donation in this and subsequent weeks of worship.

We know that a lot of thought and care go into how you choose to give, and no matter what, we are grateful for your gift, and the gift of your presence.

Spring Dinner: Roast Stuffed Pork Loin with all the fixings! Sunday, April 12th at United Church C.E. Center, 2350 Route 3, Harvey Station. Reserved seating, sittings at 4 & 5:30 p.m. Adults \$12, Children \$5, under 3 Free. Take out orders are welcome. Tickets are available by calling Robbie Lister at 366-1993 or Sandra Fletcher 366-2016 , HarveyUnitedSuppers@gmail.com.

Calling all Pastoral Care workers! Would you like to learn more about dealing with family issues, understand family structures and boundaries better and how they cause problems? Would you like to help individuals and families become closer to each other and to God? If so, please join us at Forest Hill United Church, 45 Kimble Court, Fredericton on Saturday, April 18th, from 10-3 for a workshop on God and family. Cost is \$25. Lunch is available (free will offering) To register (limit 50), please contact Marilyn Lohnes

Prayer of Reconciliation (Unison)

Gracious and Patient God, we come before you with so many things which weigh us down. We would like an "easy" faith, one that doesn't cause us to look within ourselves, to identify those many ways in which we have turned from you. But faith is never easy. It requires our very souls. Forgive us, God, for all those things which we have neglected to do that would have helped someone else. Heal our hearts. Prepare our lives to be of service to you. We long for your presence and your healing touch. In silence we wait.

(silence) **AMEN.**

Assurance of God's Love

Confirmation of Lauren Jian Claire Ryan (*Green Insert*)

Sacrament of Holy Communion (*Yellow Insert*)

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, in his love we shall be strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Prayers of the People

***Hymn** Oh A Song Must Rise! MV 142

Offertory (Iris Kim) Christ Lag in Todrsbanden Selby
***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 (Unison) Thank you, God, for the gift of this amazing day of resurrection! We pray that you will take our excitement and use it to bring light and hope to those trapped in darkness and despair. Use these gifts of money and care to empower our work with those who strive and struggle. Use the gift of our very lives to empower our calling to carry your Incarnate Love into the world. We pray this with the boldness of those who have encountered the living Christ. AMEN**

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Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Rev. Richard

Anthem Easter Song arr. Colla

Message

***Hymn** Thine Is the Glory VU 173

***Commissioning (Responsive)**

We have come from darkness and despair to hope and joy.

We have been transformed by new life.

Go forth to witness and to testify to the message of hope we have received this day.

Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Hallelujah!

***Benediction**

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



Postlude (Iris Kim) Ciaconna Buxtehude

We invite you to please stay and enjoy the Postlude

Greeters: Dorothy Irving & Elaine Hart
Coffee Hour April 12: Congregational Board: Derrick Grant

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

The bulletins for this service have been donated in loving memory of Robert (Bob) Keiver by Anne and the family.

A donation has been made to St. Paul's Operating Fund in memory of Etta & Robert Davis' parents; Emery & Viola (Logan) Walker and Robert & Marjorie Davis.

Financial Contributions for March 29, 2015

2015 Weekly Budget		\$4,200.00
Envelopes	2,679.25	
Loose	7.00	
PAR	<u>1,805.94</u>	
	4,492.19	



Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

On **Sunday, April 12th** we welcome the Rev. Ali Smith as our guest presider and speaker for our regular 10:30 a.m. worship. This is part of a **Pulpit Exchange** initiative between local United Churches meant to encourage a wider sense of community. After all, we are all United. The Rev. Richard Bowley will be presiding at Forest Hill United at the usual 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Scout-Guide Sunday: April 19th, 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul's United as we worship, let us celebrate youth and those who volunteer their time

The Stewardship Committee is looking to form a **Pastoral Care Team** for St. Paul's United Church. This team would supplement the current Pastoral Care ministry and ensure that those who struggle with illness or isolation know that the whole of St. Paul's supports them. If you have an interest in this kind of ministry please contact Lois Walker at 459-1458

Joint Needs Assessment Committee questionnaire—if you did not receive a questionnaire by e-mail, please pick up a hard copy that you will find in the Narthex or in the hall. Many thanks and we look forward to your feedback.



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