St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. April 12th, 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 Supplication

Stairs

*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,
We will rejoice and be glad!
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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Christ has risen!

Christ has risen indeed!

We come this morning with eager anticipation.

We seek to know God, to see God, to touch God.

May our hearts be opened so we might experience the holy anew.

May we, with shouts of joy, proclaim God's steadfast, liberating love to all people, everywhere.

Come now to worship for Christ has risen!

Christ has risen indeed!

Gospel Reading: John 20: 19-31 Dorothy Irving

Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn This is the Day VU 412

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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

Monday 6:30-8:30pm ShoeBox Dance - Gym

Tuesday 6:30-8 p.m. Beavers & Cubs - Gym

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

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

The **Fredericton Choral Society** presents its Spring Concert, Sunday, April 19 at 7 pm in the Tom Morrison Theatre, FHS. The beautiful Brahms' EIN DEUTSCHES REQUIEM will be performed under the direction of Heather Dunham. Soloists will be Sally Dibblee, soprano, Paul Bustin, bass/baritone and featuring pianists Nhat-Viet Phi (Toto Phi) and Thomas Nicholson, playing the duet accompaniment. This rarely performed version will be a premiere performance for Fredericton, and possibly for New Brunswick. Tickets available from choristers, at Read's, 435 King Street, and at the door. Adults \$20; Seniors \$15; Students, \$10.

Oromocto United Church Spring Turkey Supper, 144 Winnabago May 2, 2015, 4-6 pm, Adults \$12.00, Children under 12 \$ 5.00 preshoolers. Free Everyone welcome Tickets at the door

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, 45 Kimble Court, on Saturday, April 18th, from 10-3. Cost is \$25. Lunch is available (free will offering) To register (limit 50), please contact Marilyn Lohnes at 506-455-9272 (evenings) or by e-mail ffolk@rogers.com

"The Healing Power of Forgiveness" A 2-session video / discussion seminar on forgiveness will be held at Grace Memorial Baptist Church on Tuesdays April 21 & 28 from 7- 9 pm. Explore questions "Why is forgiveness so difficult at times? Must we forgive when it's the other person's fault? How should we handle repeat offenses?" Author Dr. Ray Pritchard answers these questions and more by pointing to God's example as the supreme forgiver.

Prayer of Reconciliation (Unison)

God of empty tombs and of hearts made free, on this day of celebration, we come before you filled with rejoicing. Yet even as we celebrate, we recognize our frailness, our incompleteness, our shreds of disbelief. May we recognize your grace so that we might live

Assurance of God's Love

The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

Time For All Ages

Hymn Jesus Loves Me (vs 1)

as a loved and grateful people. Amen.

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

Minute For Mission

*Hymn Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks VU 179

Offertory (Iris Kim) Adagio Cantabile from

Grande Sonata Pathetique

Beethoven

*Dedication Verse (in unison)

O God, here is the work of our hands.

Here is the love of our hearts.

Here is our desire to make a better world.

Bless our offering and send your Spirit upon it so that our gifts may join the gifts of all your church to help your kingdom come. Amen.

Epistle: 1 John 1: 1-7 Rev. Ali Smith

Anthem

Lamb of God

arr. Barrett & Angerman

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Message Unrevealed Until its Season

*Hymn In the Bulb There is a Flower VU 703

*Commissioning (Responsive)

In the bright and beaming window,

Christ stands at the door, knocking, hoping someone will hear him.

We come to open the door--

eager to invite Christ in.

Instead, Christ invites us out:

out into the world,

out to serve,

out into life.

Let us go forth now, renewed and ready to love and serve the world.

*Benediction

*Choral Closing
You Shall Go Out With Joy
Postlude
You Shall Go Out With Joy
Rejoice, the Lord is King Darwell, arr. Ritter

We invite you to please stay and enjoy the Postlude

Call to Worship based on a prayer in the Abingdon Worship Annual 2006. Opening Prayer by Catherine Tovell, Prayer of Reconciliation & Dedication Prayer adapted from Kate Crawford, and Commissioning adapted from Michael Brooks, all in Gathering L/E 2015.

Greeter: Cathy White

Coffee Hour April 19: Worship Committee - Larry Buick

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

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We welcome Rev. Ali Smith as our guest presider and speaker for today's service. This is part of a **Pulpit Exchange** initiative between local United Churches meant to

The death of Rev. Bob Crooks occurred on April 5th. Condolences may be sent to Marjorie Crooks, 403 Prince Street, Apt 106, Truro, NS B0N 1E6

Financial Contributions for April 5, 2015

2015 Weekly Budget		\$4,750.00 4
Envelopes	4,282.25	
Loose	146.00	+ 1,484.19
PAR	1,805.94	
	6,234.19	
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Easter Offering \$2,042.00

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

Esther Jean Cull Wilby (Chemical Engineering) received her Iron Ring during the "Ritual of the Calling of an Engineer" from the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of New Brunswick on April 6, 2015. Her brother Simon (Civil Engineering, 2005) presented her with this honour. Congratulations Esther

The **UCW** will meet on Wednesday, April 15th at 10 AM in the Ladies' Parlor. Our guest speaker will be from Bibles For Missions. Please answer Roll Call with an item to sell at their retail store. All ladies of the congregation are welcome to join us. The UCW Spring Rally will be in Woodstock on Saturday, April 25th. Please let Donna Chauvin know if you are interested in attending and car-pooling. 458-5885

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

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 cathysimpson@nb.aibn.com The time commitment is 1-1/5 hours once a month.

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.