St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. February 15th, 2015 Transfiguration 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 *

Prelude: Tell Me the Story of Jesus Sweeney, arr. McDonald

*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 VU 25(vs 1)

Lo, he comes with clouds descending, see the lamb for sinners slain! Thousand, thousand saints attending join to sing the glad refrain: hallelujah, hallelujah, God appears on earth to reign.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

The Lord has called you here this day.

Lord, reveal to us your purposes for us.

Open your hearts to receive God's good news.

Lord, make us ready to serve you.

Come, let us worship God!

Let us sing our praises to the Almighty One.

Hebrew Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-12 Ed Bujold

*Opening Hymn This is God's Wondrous World VU 296

Prayer of Reconciliation (Responsive)

Mighty one of yesterday, today, and tomorrow, do not be silent, but

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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: 8:30—Noon, 1:00-4:30

Tuesday: 8:30—Noon Wednesday: 1:00—4:30

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

Season of Lent

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper: Feb 17 at 5:45 PM; usual menu of pancakes, beans, sausages, bread and pies for dessert. No cost but voluntary donation plates will be available at entrances to dinner.

Ash Wednesday: To mark the beginning of our journey through Lent, we will be sharing in worship as we walk with Christ to the cross. The service will take place in the sanctuary of St. Paul's United Church at 7 PM on Wednesday February 18th. All are welcome to come and receive the mark of Christ as we sing and pray together.

Thursdays in Lent

For the 6th year, St Paul's United Church (224 York St) is offering **Thursdays in Lent**: 12 – 1 pm, February 19 – March 26. The themes we will be exploring are: Week 1–Covenant, 2–Faith, Week 3–Courage, 4–Love, 5–Mystery, 6–Passion. Come, bring your lunch and share in the Fellowship of exploring the mystery of our faith in Jesus Christ. Leadership will be offered by Richard Bowley, Priscilla Geisterfer and Barbara Cull-Wilby (455-0877).

March 29, 10:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday	
April 2, 6:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Pot Luck Supper	
April 3, 2:30 p.m.	Good Friday	
April 5, 7:00 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service, followed by	
	Breakfast at Wilmot United	
April 5, 10:30 a.m.	Easter Sunday Communion Service	

speak, that we may hear.

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Speak justice, that we may correct our lawlessness. Speak righteousness, that we may know your ways. Speak compassion, that we may know your mercy. Speak abundance, that we may serve others. Speak understanding, that we may be peacemakers. Speak glory, that we may know your Son. Speak, and we will listen to you.

You promise forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace when we speak our shortcomings.

We speak of mistakes we have made. We speak of abandoning your ways. We speak of failures to show compassion and mercy. We speak of our need for forgiveness.

Mighty one of yesterday, today, and tomorrow, hear our prayer and lead us into fullness of life.

Silence

Assurance of God's Love

Sharing the Sacraments

Holy Communion (Blue Insert)

Children's Choir Jesus Loves Even Me Philip Bliss

Baptism of Airdrie Joanne Jemma Smith (Purple Insert)

Hymn Dance With The Spirit (x2)

VU 156

Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin', walk with the Spirit throughout the long day. Work and hope for the new life a-bornin', listen to the Spirit to show you the way!

Prayers of the People

*Hymn Each Blade of Grass

Dykes, arr. Peterson

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*Dedication Verse For The Gift of Creation

VU 538

For the gift of creation the gift of your love, and the gift of the Spirit by which we live, we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands. May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

*Dedication Prayer (Unison)

Lord Jesus, all that we have is yours, and all that we are is yours. In offering these tokens of our lives, may all that we do serve you to the glory of God. AMEN

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:2-9 Rev. Richard Bowley

Anthem Precious Lord, Take My Hand Ringwald

Message

*Hymn Teach me, God, to Wonder VU 299

*Commissioning (Responsive)

Get ready to serve the Lord.

We go in peace and joy, sharing the good news of Jesus' transforming love and power for all. AMEN.

*Benediction

*Choral Closing Peace Be With You MV 215

Peace be with you, peace forever, peace be with you my friends.

Till we meet again, may God be with you.

Peace, peace, peace.

Postlude Trumpet Tune

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We invite you to please stay and enjoy the Postlude



Sympathy and prayers of the congregation are extended to Joe Robicheau and Wendy Doucet in the death of Wendy's mother, Mary Doucet who passed away last week.

The Ladies Bible Study will take a break during Lent, however, ladies you are encouraged to attend the World Day of Prayer Bible Study on Monday, February 16th at 10:30 a.m. and to also join in on the Thursdays in Lent at noon time beginning February 19th.

ANNUAL MEETING: February 22 following Worship Service

Financial Contributions for February 8, 2014

2015 Weekly Budget		√ \$4,000.00
Envelopes	3,136.25	
Loose	61.40	+ 1,076.65
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	5,076.65	

Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts

Women of St. Paul's: You are invited to attend the **Bible Study** for the **World Day of Prayer** on Mon., Feb. 16 at 10.30 am in the church hall. Program this year is written by the women of the Bahamas and the theme is "Do You Know What I Have Done for You?" from John 13, 1-17. It will be led by Maj. Judy Goudie from the Salvation Army.

Hospital Visitation: If you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in hospital, ill or wanting visitation, please contact the office at 458-1183 and let Cathy or Rev. Richard know.