

# St. Paul's United Church

10:30 a.m. April 26th, 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** Come, Come Ye Saints arr. Kellner

## \*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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## Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship (Responsive)

The God of all shepherds has called us here.

*We come today, celebrating God's love for us.*

The Good Shepherd has given his life for us.

*We come today, thanking Jesus for his witness and his teaching.*

The Shepherding Spirit moves through us, bringing us new hope.

*We come today ready to celebrate and to praise God. AMEN.*

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 23 (VU 749 with refrain)

## Opening Prayer

\*Opening Hymn Are You a Shepherd? MV 126

## St. Paul'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

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

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](mailto:oss@johnhowardfredericton.ca)



**Bel Canto Singers** present their Spring Concert at Christ Church Cathedral on Sat., May 2, 7:30 pm. Selections will include music from Palestrina to Bruckner to the contemporary masterpieces of Whitacre, Carrillo, Gjeilo, and Hawley. James Erb's classic Shenandoah and Canada's own Johnathan Quick's arrangement of Loch Lomond. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 students, \$30 families, available at Westminster Books, choir members, the door.

Oromocto United Church **Spring Turkey Supper**, 144 Winnabago On May 2, from 4-6 pm, Adults \$12.00, Children under 12 \$ 5.00, Pre-schoolers eat for Free. Everyone welcome Tickets at the door

**Roast Beef Supper:** May 2, 4 - 6 p.m. at Forest Hill United. Adults \$14, under 13 \$7, pre-school free. Celiac meals and take-outs are available.

**Spring Festival of Praise** As a part of Grace Memorial Baptist Church's year-long anniversary celebration of 50 years in our current facility and 170 years as a congregation, we are hosting a Spring Festival of Praise Concert on Sunday, May 3 at 7:00 PM. The program will feature 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-will offering will be collected to assist the *Music in the Schools* program and *NUC Music Ministry*.

**Prayer of Reconciliation (Unison)**

***Good Shepherd, we take your care for granted. In the midst of your many blessings, we complain of not having enough for our selves, let alone enough to help our neighbour. In the presence of danger, we fail to trust your abiding love. When you set a table before us, we turn aside from you. Call us back into your care and help us trust your caring presence, that our actions may proclaim your truth. AMEN***

**Assurance of God's Love**

**The Lord's Prayer**

VU 959

**Time for All Ages** *What Makes a Shepherd?*

**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 are made 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**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

VU 325

**Offertory** (Iris Kim) *Variations on Fidelis*

Clark

**\*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)**

***God of love, you abide with us; you provide for our needs and guide us in your ways. Out of gratitude for your care, we bring our gifts before you. Use them for your work of caring, that all may feast at the table of abundance, walk without fear, and***

**Gospel:** John 10:11-18 Greg Morton  
**Anthem** Day By Day Catherwood  
**Message** *Shepherd Amid the Stewards*  
**\*Hymn** All the Way My Saviour Leads Me VU 635

**\*Commissioning (Responsive)**

Nourished by the Shepherd's abundant love,  
*We go forth to walk in the paths of righteousness.*  
 Love one another in truth and action.  
*With God's abundant blessings we go into the world sent by the great Shepherd.*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Closing** You Shall Go Out With Joy VU 884  
**Postlude** Go Forth in Praise Englert

*We invite you to stay and enjoy the Postlude*



**Greeters:** Sadie Miller & Shirley MacLeod  
**Coffee Hour May 3:** Trustees: Andrew Steeves

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 bulletin covers for today's service have been donated in loving memory of Glenna Fraser by Marguerite MacAlpine.

A donation has been made to the Foundation in memory of Glenna Fraser by Lorein Boudreau, Marguerite MacAlpine & Marilyn Reid.

**Financial Contributions for April 12, 2015**

2015 Weekly Budget		\$4,750.00
Envelopes	1,697.25	
Loose	74.60	
PAR	<u>1,805.94</u>	
	3,577.79	

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***Thank you and may God truly bless and multiply your gifts***

**Looking for an opportunity to volunteer?** I can help you with that! There are two Fridays (or Thursday afternoons) of the month that we are in need of bulletin folders. If you can help out please call Cathy Simpson in the office at 458-1183 or send an email to her at [cathysimpson@nb.aibn.com](mailto:cathysimpson@nb.aibn.com) Time commitment is 1 hour per 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.

**St. Paul's Sermons are available online!** The message from each week will be posted to St Paul's website. You can find them by going to the website and clicking **Podcast** in the navigation bar, or by going to the following address: <http://www.stpaulsunited.ca/podcast.php>

**Ebola Relief Choral Concert Fundraiser**, April 26th, 6:30 p.m. at Brunswick St. Baptist Church. Featuring the choirs of: Christ Church Parish Church, Grace Memorial Baptist Church, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, St. Paul's United Church, Wilmot United Church and Brunswick Street Baptist Church.

**"The Healing Power of Forgiveness"** A 2-session video/discussion seminar on forgiveness will be held at Grace Memorial Baptist 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