St. Paul's United Church

Fredericton, N.B.

191 Years of Glorifying God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ, and serving others in Christ's name

June 16th, 2024

4th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

GATHERING AS GOD'S OWN

PRELUDE: The King of Love My Shepherd Is ~ E. Englert

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT: Jesus, Stand among Us

VU 396 vs 1&2

Jesus, stand among us in your risen power; let this time of worship be a hallowed hour.

Breathe the Holy Spirit into every heart; bid the fears and sorrows from each soul depart.

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive) 1

In the midst of our failures,

We stand in God's grace.

In the midst of our struggles,

We boast in our hope through Christ.

In the midst of our suffering,

We claim the endurance given by the Holy Spirit.

In every part of our lives,

The love of our Divine Creator has been poured into our hearts.

Let us be open to this love as we join together in Worship.

CENTERING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

VU 559

Come, O Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing your grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of endless praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unfailing love.

Here I pause in my sojourning, giving thanks for having come, come to trust, at every turning, God will guide me safely home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God, came to rescue me from danger, precious presence, precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debt or daily I am drawn anew!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to you.
Prone to wander, I can feel it, wander from the love I've known: here's my heart, O, take and seal it, seal it for your very own.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

STORY TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: Holy Spirit, Hear Us

VU 377 vs 2

Holy Spirit, shine now on the book we read; light its holy pages with the truth we need.

SCRIPTURE READING: Hebrews 4:12-16, Ephesians 4:3b-9 This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CHOIR ANTHEM: Sing a New Song ~ arr. M Schweizer

MESSAGE

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

HYMN: O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

VU 326

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace. He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken-hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones, your tongues again employ; you blind, behold your Saviour comes, and leap, you lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honours of your name.

THIS IS MY STORY ~ Brad Webb

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Offerings are collected at the door to the sanctuary, or via e-transfer to stpaulsoffice224@gmail.com. To set up Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) monthly contributions, please contact Meghan in the office.

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

VU 541

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

GOING FORTH WITH GOD

CLOSING HYMN: God of Grace and God of Glory

VU 686

God of grace and God of glory,
on your people pour your power;
now fulfil your church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour.

Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn your Christ, assail your ways; fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness, bend our pride to your control; shame our wanton selfish gladness, rich in goods and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christlike graces, pledged to set all captives free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not them nor thee.

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

CHORAL CLOSING: Dance with the Spirit

MV 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.

Postlude: Come, Christians, Join to Sing ~ arr. E. Englert

Scripture Readers: Voice 1 – Ron Naugler, Voice 2 – Kelly Simpson Greeter: Lois Walker Audio Visual: Murray Simpson

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GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO EVERYONE! May this worship service be a blessing in your day as we continue to worship together each week in person and by Zoom.





This week, the program needs **proteins with flip top lids.** Thank you for your continued support and generosity of this program.

PANTRY PROGRAM

The Pantry program needs the following items this week: laundry & dish detergent, Mr. Clean, Commet, Kleenex, paper towel, pancake mix, tea, coffee, granola bars, crackers, soda crackers, mustard, relish, ketchup, syrup, cookies, vinegar, apple sauce, pudding cups, macaroni, spaghetti, Kraft Dinner, brown & white sugar, cake mix, icing, large juice, pasta sauce, tomatoes, canned milk, canned meats, and jam. Thank you for your continued support of this increasingly busy outreach program!

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY REQUEST FROM ANNIE SIMPSON!

What do you get a 106-year-old for her birthday? A birthday card! Be a part of making Annie's wish to receive 106 birthday cards come true. Annie Simpson is turning 106 on July 27th! Cards for Annie can be dropped off to the church office or in the locked mailbox at the York Street entrance or mailed directly to Annie. Thank you!

¹ Joanne Harder, Spacious Faith, April 26, 2013

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!

Wark/St. Paul's Scholarships – Students who are members or adherents of St. Paul's and who plan to pursue post-secondary studies this fall are invited to apply for financial support from the Wark/St. Paul's Scholarship Funds. Details on eligibility and application guidelines are available at scholarships-bursaries Applications must be received on or before July 31st.



WANT TO BE A MEMBER OF ST. PAUL'S?

Have you been attending St. Paul's for a long time but never officially become a member? Are you newer to the congregation, but feel you have found your church home? We currently have 4 people who are exploring what it means to be a member of our congregation, do you want to join them? Contact Rev. Michelle for information on how to officially become a member of St. Paul's.

BOOKING MEETING SPACE AT ST. PAUL'S

As the use of our space at St. Paul's gets busier, please remember to book your meetings space through the office. Drop by in person, call 458-1183 or email Meghan at stpaulsoffice224@gmail.com.



MODERATORS BOOK DISCUSSION - JUNE

Each Month our Moderator is hosting a book discussion. This Month, Moderator Carmen Lansdowne and her guest Alf Dumont will be discussing Dumont's Memoir, <u>The Other Side of the Rivier: From Church Pew to Sweat Lodge.</u> Alf served in The United Church of Canada as a minister for over 40 years. Discussion takes place online on **June 27**th. Sign up to be part of the Mod's Book Squad to join the discussion https://churchx.ca/local/shop/product.php?id=2

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesdays from 10:45am-11:45am ~ Bible Study on Sunday Reading

Bible Study will run weekly until June 18th

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81736183320 Passcode: 750844

Thursdays from 6-7pm ~ Evening Small Group Faith Exploration

Thursday Evening Faith group will meet weekly until June 20th

June 16th ~ Service at 10:30am ~ Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by Mary Stickles & Chris Grant
June 23rd ~ Service at 10:30am ~ Fellowship Hour ~ Hosted by Beth & Shawn Meister & Debbie West
June 30th ~ Downtown United Service at Saint Andrew's at 10:30am

DOWNTOWN UNITED SUMMER SCHEDULE

Please join us this summer for Downtown United +

Everyone is welcome!

SAINT ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH & Via Zoom

512 Charlotte St. Fredericton | Tel.455-8220 Sunday Services at 10:30am

June 30th | July 7th | July 14th

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83673756287?pwd=RFhERHZiU0hHbVpYcjYxRFFNZWdIQT09 Meeting ID: 836 7375 6287 Passcode: 839092

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH & Via Zoom

224 York St. Fredericton NB | Tel. 458-1183 Sunday Services at 10:30am

July 21st | July 28th | August 4th

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81834519740 Password: 657067

View later: https://www.youtube.com/St. Paul's

WILMOT UNITED CHURCH & Via YouTube

473 King St. Fredericton | 458-1066 Sunday Services at 10:30am

August 11th | August 18th | August 25th

https://www.youtube.com/c/WilmotUnitedChurch?app=desktop



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