

Sunday January 26, 2020

11:00am

Welcome to St. Paul's United Church

and to our services today - we are happy that you have come!



Sunday Morning Nursery

Toys and other nursery items are available during the service

Sunday School children start with their parents and leave partway through the Annex or combined services for Sunday School

Washrooms are located off the atrium

Pew Cushions are available to the left of the front platform in the sanctuary

Two accessible entrances to St Paul's. One is on Main Street via the atrium, with the elevator located just inside the entrance. Best parking to use for this entrance is the town lot west of the church, with two handicapped parking spots. The second accessible entrance is via the ramp off our parking lot, with two handicapped parking spots in the parking lot.

We invite you to pick up informational brochures in the atrium. Please introduce yourself to one of the hosts; we would be most happy to help you. **Visitors and guests are encouraged to sign the Guest Book located in the atrium.** We hope you will come to fellowship time following our services for conversation and refreshments!

Participating this morning

Worship Leadership: Rev. Dale Skinner

Music Director: Don Cassano **Piano:** Dawn Brodie

Greeting: Marlene Grimwood, Carol & Murray Wilson

Offering: Karen Tyrer, Jo McDuffe, Wayne Heath & Wendy Hodgkins

Sound Team: Brent Tyrer **Scripture Reader:** Sue Butson

Count Team: Jennifer Viveiros, Glen & Sandra Shore

Fellowship Time: Mary McDuffe, Mary Ellen Lee & Yodit Yisak

Bakers Dozen: Mary McDuffe & Jo McDuffe

**Large print bulletins available -
please ask one of our ushers**

A warm welcome is extended to all this morning. Your presence both enriches us and this time of worship together. In the midst of the busy-ness of life, we have been gifted with this time and place to reconnect with God and with one another. We seek to discern a life beyond life and behold the larger reality Jesus revealed in his own life, death and resurrection. Our aim is spiritual growth, a deeper faith and a loving community.

The land upon which we live and work is a gift from the Creator. We acknowledge the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg, and Haudenosaunee peoples. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the lands of the "Dish With One Spoon" wampum agreement.

*Please stand if able
Congregational responses in **bold**

We Gather As God's People

Prelude Amazing Grace

Jesus, Joy of Man's Dressing

Piano: Dawn Brodie

Organ: Judy Hunter

***VU 79** "Arise, Your Light Is Come "

Welcome & Announcements

***VU 506** "Take My Life and Let It Be"

Call To Worship (inspired by Psalm 27)

God is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

**God is our shelter and refuge on the days of trouble,
and our hope and joy on the days of celebration!**

Day after day, we seek God's face and the assurance of God's holy love:

**O God, do not turn from us or hide your face from us!
Be our guide and our light instead!**

One thing we ask of God:

**That we may live in God's dwelling place all the days of our life,
and never cease to behold the beauty of God's home.**

We enter this time and place with thanksgiving, for God is among and within us!

Thanks be to God!

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen

We Listen For God's Word

Choir Anthem Family of Faith

by V. Mackenzie

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-25

Sue Butson

Word For Today: Fans and Followers

We Respond In Faith

Invitation to the Offering

*We of St. Paul's are committed to the work of the Church. Weekly offerings,
pre-authorized remittance (PAR), sharing of our time and talents and reaching
out to friend and stranger are but some of the ways that we give.
"God loves it when the giver delights in the giving." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

Presentation Of Our Offerings

My Task

Piano duet Dawn Brodie & Judy Hunter

***Offertory Response**

VU 540

Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free,
That ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.

Minute For Mission

Pastoral Prayers

Each day is a gift from God,
each moment is that opportunity to reach out
in service to all creation.

**Each day is a reminder of the new covenant:
not written on stone tablets easily broken,
but inscribed on our hearts filled with joy and hope.**

Each day we draw closer to God:

**who has forgotten more than we ever learn;
who has forgiven us more than we ever acknowledge...**

***VU 509** "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky"

***Words of Sending Forth**

Christ walks a path to bring justice upon the earth,
to bring light to those who sit in darkness,
to bring rest to ones bearing a heavy load,
to bring freedom to ones who are enslaved,
to bring newness of vision when there is no way in sight.
May the Spirit that dwelled in Jesus live in us.
May the path Jesus walks intersect with our lives.
May we and the ones we meet on this path
know they are beloved by God.

***Blessing**

***Choral Response**

***Exchange of the Peace**

*Before we depart, we are invited to exchange "the Peace of Christ"
with the ones around us.*

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

