



Sunday May 27, 2018

10:30am

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 service for Sunday School

Washrooms *are located off the atrium*

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 stay after worship for conversation and refreshments!

Participating this morning in the sanctuary service

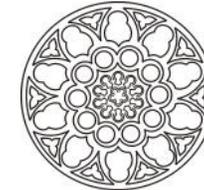
Worship Leadership: Reverend Dr. Dale Skinner
Music Director: Don Cassano
Piano: Dawn Brodie
Sanctuary Sound Team: Brent and Karen Tyrer
Greeting: Karen Tyrer and choir members
Scripture Reader: Carol Hyde
Offering: Karen Tyrer and Wendy Hodgkins
Baker's Dozen: Mary Ellen Lee and Anne Troake
Count Team: Brent and Karen Tyrer, Diane Dickie
Fellowship Time: Mary Ellen Lee, Mary McDuffe and Hélène Ellison

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

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

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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.

We Gather As God's People

Prelude

* VU 240 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this candle mindful that Christ is among us.
Jesus is the Light of the World,
bringing a light that shines in us and for us,
illuminating the way of abundant Life.

* VU 457 As We Gather At Your Table

Welcome

The Life and Work of our Community

Gathering Prayer

We Listen For God's Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 14:16-25

N.T.79
Carol Hyde

Word For Today

A Genuine Invitation

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

* 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.**

We Celebrate at the Table of Christ

Welcome to the Table

One: Here we participate in the sacred story and celebrate the feast of the resurrection. In Christ, God desires all find a welcome here. Yet, we are reminded that as we gather to share this meal we also prepare ourselves for the giving. With humble hearts, let us turn again to the forgiveness that comes from God.

Litany Of Discernment

One: Loving and caring God, here we are at your table. May our hearts and minds be open to you. Look not upon our brokenness but upon our faith. Remove the barriers we erect against your love and ignite our lives with a holy passion.

**All: Make us hungry for justice with mercy
and for peace with compassion.**

One: When life's abrasive pressures numb us, and we find it hard to care for anything or anyone -even ourselves...

**All: Tell us again about lengthening days,
a warm gentle breeze, a cradle, a cross,
and a God who loves and seeks after us.**

One: When we are consumed by our own needs, when we forsake our neighbours in need...

**All: Lure us on to be faithful. If one suffers,
we all suffer; if one flourishes,
we all rejoice.**

One: O God, bring new life where we are worn and tired;
new love, where we have grown cynical;
a renewed purpose when we are indifferent;
forgiveness, where we have wounded.

**All: God of hope, when we are prisoners
of our selves.**

**May we be reminded of the passion
of Jesus Christ who lived to serve you
for the good of all -the one who was
celebrated; rejected; crucified and risen;
the one who has promised to come again
in glory.**

Choir Sings VU 951 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Thanksgiving

One: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might,

**All: heaven and earth are full of your glory;
Hosanna in the highest.**

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God;

All: Hosanna in the highest.

Leader continues to pray...

Lord's Prayer *(all)*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread/Lifting of the Cup

One: The body of Christ broken for you.

All: Amen.

One: The blood of Christ, his life poured out for you.

All: Thanks be to God.

Distribution of the Elements

Communion will be served by the method of intinction. After the choir is served, beginning with the back rows, you are invited to come forward and take a piece of bread. You may then either dip the bread in the cup, or take one of the small cups from the. There is also a gluten free option. Please come forward down the middle aisles and return to your seat along the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward, please let the usher know and the servers will come to you. The choir will be served first and then sing during communion.

Music during Communion If We Truly Believe

Statement of Faith "A New Creed"

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made
flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

**God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.**

We Go In God's Name

* VU 509 I The Lord Of Sea And Sky

* Words of Sending Forth and Blessing

* Choral Response VU 965

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:
the Lord make his face shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee:
the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee,
and give thee peace. Amen.

* 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.

Postlude

Announcements - May 27, 2018

Book Study. Interested in learning a little more about the person of Jesus as he relates to history as well as faith? Beginning on Thursday, May 31 at 7:30pm you are welcome to attend a discussion led by Rev. Skinner in which we will use the book Jesus: A Very Short Introduction by Richard Bauckham. Check with Reverend Dale if you still need a book. The study will last for five weeks, meeting every Thursday evening and conclude on June 28. Please email dk Skinner@stpaulsmilton.com to register or to inquire about the book.

How to Navigate the HealthCare System and Services for Seniors. On Tuesday, June 5 at 7:00pm here at St Paul's, all are welcome to a special presentation by Gary Hepworth. Gary discusses the importance of being prepared and educated prior to needing health care services, common misconceptions and inconsistencies about the availability of services, and how to advocate for yourself or for a loved one. Subjects include the availability and limitations of regional health services, the differences between Retirement Homes and Long Term Care facilities and how to plan for your future health care needs. The presentation is approximately 90 minutes.

All women of St. Paul's are cordially invited to celebrate **The Women of St Paul's Relive the 50s!** Wednesday June 13, gathering at noon, lunch at 12:30pm. Wear your saddle shoes, poodle skirts, dresses and bring mementoes of the decade: records, photos, magazines, catalogues, etc. for our display table. Potluck Luncheon - remember those jellied salads, casseroles, mac 'n' cheese, scones, pies, Queen Elizabeth cakes, etc. We look forward to **Rev. Maryann Skinner** as our guest speaker after lunch. Mark your calendar and hope to see you! Bring a Friend! Should be fun! *Presented by the St Paul's UCW.*

Name Tags. To help us get to know each other, we have permanent name tags available to order at \$7.50 per tag - orders must be pre-paid. Order forms are available in the atrium or office. Please give your order with payment to Wendy Hodgkins or leave at the office.

Donation baskets for the Food Bank and for women and children at Halton Women's Place are available in the atrium. These are ongoing outreach projects of St Paul's the Mission & Outreach Committee. Thank you for your continued support.

St Paul's Trustees meet on Tues May 29, 7:30pm in the kitchen.

Deadline for weekly bulletin announcements—Wednesdays at 4:00pm in the office

June 3 Supper at Wesley Urban Ministries. For many years St. Paul's has taken a turn serving a Sunday supper for 150 of the needy in Hamilton, at Wesley Urban Ministries, a United Church Mission. This year food will be prepared at their facility in Hamilton. We are looking for volunteers to help serve and clean up at the meal; please speak with any member of the Mission & Outreach Committee. Financial donations from the congregation will help to buy supplies - envelopes for your donations are in the atrium.

Book Sale. The Mission & Outreach Committee Book Sale is in support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. This will be part of the church Yard Sale on Saturday September 8. We will receive your donated books at the church all day Friday September 7 and before 9:00am on the Saturday morning.

Wesley Urban Ministries Case for Kids Walk, Run, Ride is on Sunday June 3, at Bayfront Park in Hamilton, starting at noon. The walk is to raise money to help end child poverty in Hamilton. Literature is available in the atrium. For more information or to register: Wesley.ca/caseforkids or call 905.528.5629 ext 240.

Visitors Offering Envelopes. Any donations provided in one of these envelopes will allow the giver to obtain a receipt for income tax purposes. Visitors envelopes are available in the atrium and worship areas.

Givings. We have been asked how to support our church while you are away this summer. You may want to consider going on PAR or providing post dated cheques so that your givings will continue during your absence. If you require more information, please contact the office or the treasurer.

Ongoing Activities

All are welcome to join in any of the following activities.
If you need more information, 905.878.8895 x. 21 or info@stpaulsmilton.com

Most Sundays

The Annex worship at 9:45am in the main level hall
Sunday School during The Annex
Sanctuary worship at 10:30am

Friday Morning Coffee - every Friday at 10:15am - all welcome!
United Church Women (UCW) - second Wed monthly, Sept-June, 1:30pm

Coming Up

Mon May 28, 7:30pm	St Paul's Council Meeting	Main Level Hall
Tues May 29, 7:30pm	St Paul's Trustees Meeting	Kitchen
Thurs May 31, 7:30pm	Book Study	Main Level Hall



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Church Administrator: Cindy Allin info@stpaulsmilton.com

Upcoming Worship

Sunday June 3

Worship Leader: Reverend Dale Skinner

The Annex in the main level hall at 9:45am

Sunday School for kids during The Annex

Worship in the sanctuary at 10:30am

Check out our website for information & updates:
stpaulsmilton.com

Music License CCLI # 2223542

Rev. Dr. Skinner's Office Hours:

Tuesday 10:00am-2:00pm; Wednesday 12:00-3:00pm, 5:30-7:30pm;
Thursday 10:00am-noon; Friday 10:00am-1:00pm
(office hours are subject to change)
Appointments welcome via phone or email

Main Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am to 4:30pm, closed noon to 1:00pm for lunch
Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am to 1:00pm

Please remember St Paul's is a perfume free and nut free environment