



Sunday June 24, 2018

10:30am

Welcome to St. Paul's United Church
and to our service 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

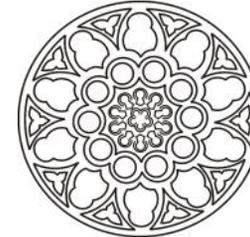
Worship Leadership: Reverend Dr. Dale Skinner
Music Director: Don Cassano
Piano: Dawn Brodie
Guitar: Scott Marsh
Greeting: St Paul's Choir
Sound Team: Hélène Ellison
Offering: Wendy Hodgkins
Count Team: Theo and Betty Ann Wolder, Jim Hawkins
Fellowship Time: Carol Kerr and Diane Dickie

**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.

Today we rejoice and give thanks for the arrival of summer. We celebrate God's glorious creation, we express gratitude for a season of accomplishments in school and at work, and we offer thanks to God for the gifts of leisure and recreation that we will enjoy in the days ahead.

We Gather As God's People

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

* VU 291 All Things Bright and Beautiful (verses 1 and 2)

*Refrain: All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings. *Refrain*

The purpleheaded mountains,
the river running by,
the sunset and the morning
that brightens up the sky; *Refrain*

Gathering Prayer

Celebration of God's Beautiful Creation

Litany of Creation (from Psalm 104)

Praise the Lord, O my soul.
O Lord my God, you are very great;
you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

**God makes springs pour water into the ravines;
it flows between the mountains.**

The birds of the air nest by the waters;
they sing among the branches.

**God waters the mountains
from his upper chambers;
the earth is satisfied by the fruit of God's work.**

God makes grass to grow for the cattle,
and plants for human cultivation—
bringing forth food from the earth:

**wine that gladdens the heart of humanity,
oil to make his face shine,
and bread that sustains her strength.**

How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you made them all.

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works!**

God formed the land, the sky, and the seas,
making earth a fitting home
for the plants, animals, and human beings.

**The world was filled with color,
beauty, and variety;
it provided room for work and play,
worship and service,
love and laughter.**

God rested—and gave us rest.

In the beginning everything was very good.

Time of Reflection

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* VU 249 Rejoice in the Lord Always

Celebration of Achievement in School and Work

*Responsive Reading (from Proverbs 4:5-6,8-9; Ecclesiastes 3:12-13;
Colossians 3:17;)*

Get wisdom, get understanding;
do not forget my words or swerve from them.

**Do not forsake wisdom, and she will protect you;
love her, and she will watch over you.**

Esteem her, and she will exalt you;
embrace her, and she will honor you.

**She will set a garland of grace on your head
and present you with a crown of splendour.**

In education we seek to acknowledge God's presence.

In learning we seek a wisdom that is holy and sacred.

**And whatever our ability,
each of us bears God's image
and have a place in God's plan.**

I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and do good while they live.

**That everyone may eat and drink,
and find satisfaction in all their toil—
this is the gift of God.**

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed,
**do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.**

In our work, even in dull routine,
we hear the call to serve our God.
We must work for more than wages,
and manage for more than profit,

**so that mutual respect
and the just use of goods and skills
may shape the places we work and learn
and serve.**

A Time of Reflection

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

* **VU 701** What Does the Lord Require of You

Prayer of Dedication

Celebration of God's Gift of Leisure

*Responsive Reading (from Ecclesiastes 4:4-8;
Matthew 6:25-26, 33-34)*

Voice One:

I saw that all labor and all achievement spring from human envy of our neighbor. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind. The fool folds his hands and ruins himself. Better one handful with tranquility than two handfuls with toil and chasing after the wind.

Again I saw something meaningless under the sun:
There was a man all alone; he had neither son nor brother.
There was no end to his toil, yet his eyes were not content with his wealth. "For whom am I toiling," he asked, "and why am I depriving myself of enjoyment?" This too is meaningless—a miserable business!

Voice Two:

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? But seek first God's kingdom and righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

**Rest and leisure are gifts of God to relax us
and to set us free to discover and explore.
Believing that God provides for us,
we can rest more confidently
and entertain ourselves more simply.**

A Time of Reflection

Prayers of Hope

*** Music**

Hallelujah (Your Love Is Amazing)

Your love is amazing steady and unchanging
Your love is a mountain, firm beneath my feet
Your love is a mystery how you gently lift me
When I am surrounded your love carries me

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah
Your love makes me sing x2

Your love is surprising, I can feel it rising
All the joy that's growing deep inside of me
Every time I see you all your goodness
shines through

And I can feel this God song rising up in me
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah
Your love makes me sing x2

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*** Closing, Blessing and Sending Forth**

*** 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 - June 24, 2018

All welcome to attend our picnic after the service today!

Sign up to be a scripture reader this summer: clipboard in the atrium.

Visit to the Canadian Donkey Sanctuary. We are planning to visit the Canadian Donkey sanctuary in Puslinch on Sunday, July 8. If you would like to attend, please plan to be there for 1pm. Carpooling is encouraged. The suggested donation for admission is \$10/person. The Sanctuary is located at 6981 Concession Road 4, Puslinch. From Hwy. 401, take Exit #295 (Hwy. 6 N). Go north to the second road, Puslinch Concession Rd 4, turn left and proceed to #6981. To learn more about the sanctuary visit: thedonkeysanctuary.ca/about-us. *Scripture reference: Numbers 22:22-3*

Reminder about our Awesome Yard Sale on Saturday September 8! The sale will take place on the James Street lawn of the church during Market hours, rain location is the main level hall. Please begin setting aside your "gently used, in good repair, treasures", for the sale. **The church cannot be used to store your items!** There will be further updates as we get closer to the sale.

Book Sale. The Mission & Outreach Committee Book Sale is in support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and is part of the church yard sale on Sat. Sept. 8. We will receive your donated books at the church all day Fri. Sept. 7 and before 9:00am on the Saturday morning.

Summer 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.

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.

Memorial Flowers. If you would like to place memorial flowers in the worship area on a Sunday morning - to remember a loved one or to celebrate a special event - please let the office know. You may also sponsor a Sunday bulletin - please contact the office for details.

Summer Worship

July 8 to September 2
10:30am in the main level hall

Summer Worship Leaders

July 1, 8, 15, 22, September 2 - **Rev Dale Skinner**

July 29 - **led by the St Paul's Choir**

August 5 - **Brendan Cunningham**

August 12 - **Valrie Ewan**

August 19 and 26 - **Rev Maryann Skinner**



The Rose Window Memorial plaque (in the sanctuary) was created approximately 20 years ago to allow folk to recognize and remember individuals who were important in their lives. Order forms are available in the atrium and in the Memorials section of the St Paul's website. If interested, please contact Carol Kerr, Chair of Trustees, (ckerrs17@gmail.com), any member of the Board of Trustees or the church office.

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

Sundays June 24 to September 2

One service at 10:30am (July 1 to September 2 in the main level hall)
Kids Activity Table in the worship space

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

Coming Up

Mon Jun 25, 7:30pm **St Paul's Council Meeting** Main Level Hall

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



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Upcoming Worship

Sunday July 1

Worship Leader: Reverend Dale Skinner

Combined Worship at 10:30am

Summer Worship - July 8 to September 2

10:30am in the main level hall

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