

Sunday September 30, 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 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 stay after worship for conversation and refreshments!

Participating this morning

Worship Leadership: Reverend Dr. Dale Skinner

Music Director: Don Cassano

Piano: Dawn Brodie

Greeting: Jennifer Cummings, Karen Tyrer and Valrie Ewan

Sound Team: Brent Tyrer

Scripture Reader: Carol Hyde

Offering: Jennifer Cummings, Karen Tyrer, Valrie Ewan and Wendy Hodgkins

Count Team: Karen and Brent Tyrer, Diane Dickie

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**

Sunday September 30, 2018 10:30am

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 226

For the Beauty of the Earth

Call to Worship *(inspired by Psalm 124 and James 5)*

If it had not been God who was on our side,
**the troubles of our world
would have swallowed us whole.**

If it had not been God who was on our side,
**the sorrows of our times
would have swept us away.**

Are any among us suffering?

Come and pray.

Are any among us cheerful?

Come and give thanks.

Are any among us sick?

Come and ask for healing.

Our help is in our God,
the One who made heaven and earth.

Call upon God, the Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer and Friend.

God is on our side.

Through Christ, God is by our side.

We Listen For God's Word

Welcome

The Life and Work of our Community

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Word became flesh and lived among us,
full of grace and truth.

In him was life, and that life was the light of all.

**We light the Christ Candle,
knowing that Jesus is our hope,
our peace, our joy and the source of love.**

Gathering Prayer

Lord's Prayer

All are invited to pray in the tradition Jesus taught his disciples (Matt. 6-9-13 & Luke 11:2-4). There are different versions and languages printed in the Voices United hymn book from pages 921-926. The version below appears in the Anglican Prayer Book of 1662. You are welcome to pray the version of your choosing.

**Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

For The Child in All of Us

Choir Anthem

Gifts from God

Prayer of Illumination

Carol Hyde

Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

OT. p.553

Word For Today

The Intimate Life of Faith

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 544

**In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today,
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.**

Prayers of the People

Minute for Mission

We Go In God's Name

* **VU 654** All My Hope is Firmly Grounded

* Words of Sending Forth

As we return now to our homes, workplaces,
and communities,
may God's Spirit open our eyes anew
to the vastness and splendor
of the deeper beauty all around us.
May we hear, and smell, and see, and touch
The glory of God evident
in the wonder of creation.
Above all, let us see God's beauty
even in the brokenness
of our brothers and sisters—
all of them, created in God's image,
may we celebrate the gift of sacrifice
and of the hope that comes
when we follow the way of Christ.
We go now to love and serve the Lord — Amen.

* Words of Blessing

* **Choral Response** Let Us Serve Him

Let us go and let us serve him
with a love for all to see.
Let us show that we have heard him
and we believe, yes we believe!

* 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 - September 30, 2018

Carol Anne Hunt and family extend a sincere thank you to many friends at St. Paul's United Church, Milton, for their expressions of sympathy on the death of Rev. Ronald Hunt. We appreciated your visits and hearing from you at this difficult time.

Today is the U.C.W's **Muffin Mania**, a delectable assortment of muffins for you. Purchases can be made for a **take home treat** today after services.

Grief Group Are you grieving or would you like to learn more about the topic of grief? There will be a "Grief Group" this Fall at St. Paul's during the month of November on Thursdays at 7:30pm. Books are \$10 and are available from Rev. Skinner in advance.

Sponsorship information for **Milton Area Christian Churches Working Together (MACCWT)** is available in the atrium. Sponsorship can include a listing in their children's colouring book and in the church directory published each January. Various levels of support are available for both personal and business donations.

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.

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.

On the Way to Bethlehem Bowl-A-Thon. Sat Oct 20 at Champs in Milton. We hope to enter a team to fundraise for the Nativity Pageant in late November, sponsored by Milton Area Christian Churches Working Together. Information and sponsorship sheets are on the bulletin board across from the washrooms. Contact Sue Butson for details.

Upcoming Events

sponsored by the St Paul's Fellowship and Events Team

Card-A-Rama at St. Paul's on Friday afternoon, October 12, 2018. Delicious lunch at noon, followed by bridge, euchre and bid euchre at 1:00pm. Fun, fellowship and lots of prizes! Tickets are \$10 each and available from Carol Kerr, Nancy Whitnell or the church office. Tickets will be sold by FET members after services.

St Paul's Spaghetti Supper, Sat Oct 27, doors open at 5:30pm, supper at 6:00pm. A fun family event! Two types of spaghetti sauce, caesar salad and make-your-own-sundaes! Tickets must be purchased in advance. Adults \$15, children \$10, family \$40, available from Darlene Harris, Nancy Whitnell or from the church office.

Date Night 2, Sat Nov 10, 7:30pm at St Paul's. Once again the women of the Harmony Singers of Etobicoke and the Queensmen Male Chorus perform an evening of romantic songs! Adults \$20, students \$10, available soon from the church office.

Journey to the lands of the Bible. In May of 2019, Rev. Dale Skinner and Rev. Maryann Skinner are planning to lead a group of travellers on a journey through some of the lands of the Bible. The tour has professional guides, air-conditioned coach and will be limited in registration to assure the best experience possible. Tour pricing is all-inclusive (except lunches). There are brochures and registration forms available on the counter in the atrium. Please speak to Dale if you have any questions.

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

Tues Oct 2, 7:30pm

FET Meeting

Lower Level MR 2

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



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Upcoming Worship

Thanksgiving Sunday October 7

Worship Leader: Reverend Dale Skinner

**Combined Annex and Sanctuary Worship
with communion
at 10:30am in the sanctuary**

Sunday School during the service

Sunday October 14

Worship Leader: Reverend Dale Skinner

**The Annex at 9:45am in the main level hall
Sanctuary Worship at 10:30am**

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

Rev. Dr. Skinner's Office Hours:

Tuesday 10:00am-1:00pm; Wednesday 2:00-4:00pm, 5:30-7:30pm

Thursday 3:00-5:00pm, Friday 9:30am-12:30pm

(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

Office closed Friday October 5 and Monday October 8

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