# Sunday February 3, 2019

# 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: Reverend Dr. Dale Skinner
Music Director: Don Cassano Piano: Dawn Brodie
Greeting & Offering: Peter Anderson, Marlene Grimwood,

Jennifer Cummings & Joanne Dundass

Scripture Reader: Marlene Grimwood Sound Team: Glen & Sandra Shore

Count Team: Brian Swainson, Amy Hayden & Jennifer Cummings Fellowship Time: Cassie Smith, Jean Morby & Alice Fetter

Bakers Dozen: Sue Paul & Joanne Dundass

Large print bulletins available - please ask one of our ushers

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

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 415** God, We Praise You For The Morning

Welcome

The Life and Work of Our Community

**Lighting the Christ Candle** 

**\*VU 622** Your Hands, O Christ

### Call To Worship

Eternity calls us to praise the living God,

Who calls upon us mortals to bear witness.

Who touches hands, lips and hearts with a sanctifying Spirit.

Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.

the power of grace

Who in Christ has chosen even you and me, to receive, carry and proclaim the Word of life and hope.

This is the God of the prophets of old.

The God who gets forgotten yet remains faithful.

The God who is patient and long-suffering.

Who in Christ walked this earth in our humanity, so we might know the true shape of divinity.

Jesus calls us to praise the living God.

### **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.

## We Listen For God's Word

For The Child In All Of Us

**Choir Anthem** 

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 1:4-9a *Marlene Grimwood* 

Matthew 8:1-3;14-15

Word For Today: The Love God Speaks To Us: Touch

## We Respond In Faith

## Invitation to the Offering

We of St. Paul's are committed to the work of the Church. Weekly offerings, preauthorized 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.

**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.

# We Go In God's Name

**\*VU** 427 To Show By Touch And Word

\*Sending Forth

\*Blessing

\*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.

