

**Sunday October 20, 2019**

**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 & Jo McDuffe

**Offering:** Wendy Hodgkins, Marlene Grimwood & Jo McDuffe

**Sound Team:** Sandra Shore **Scripture Reader:** Linda Edgar

**Count Team:** Sue Paul, Sherry Cameron & Marg Cameron

**Fellowship Time:** Vicki Thomson & Janice Linke

**Bakers Dozen:** Wendy Hodgkins & Shelley Woodcock

**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 Haudenosauonee 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

**We Gather As God's People**

**Prelude**

\*VU 339 "When Morning Gilds The Skies"

**Welcome and Announcements**

\*VU 347 "Retell What Christ's Great Love Has Done"

**Call To Worship** (Based on Revelation 1:3)

Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophesy,  
and blessed are those who hear it  
and take to heart what is written in it,  
because the time is near.

**Blessed are we; blessed is this church.**

**Look, O people, and see.**

**Listen, O people, and hear.**

**Our God is calling,**

**let us answer the Holy One with praise.**

**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.**

**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 1928 Book Of Common Prayer. You are welcome to pray the version and language of your choosing.

**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.**

## We Listen For God's Word

### For the Child In All of Us

**Responsive Reading** Psalm 145 with sung refrain VU866

**Scripture Reading** Revelation 1:1-9 *Linda Edgar*

### Choir Anthem

**Word For Today** "When Heaven and Earth Meet I: Visions and Voices"

## 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

VU217 verse 5

**Let all things their Creator bless,  
And worship God in humbleness:  
sing praises, hallelujah!  
Praise God eternal, praise the Son,  
And praise the Spirit, three in one:  
Sing praises, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!**

## Pastoral Prayers

### We Go In God's Name

\*VU 437 "The Day You Gave Us God Is Ended"

#### \*Words of Sending Forth

May the Spirit bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships so that we will live deep in our heart.  
May the Spirit bless us with anger at injustice and oppression, and exploitation of people and the earth so that we will work for justice, equity and peace.  
May the Spirit bless us with tears shed for those who suffer so that we will reach out our hand to comfort them.  
And may the Spirit bless us with the foolishness to think we can make a difference in the world, so we will do the things which others say cannot be done.

#### \*Words of 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.**

