Sunday November 17, 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, Peter Anderson & Karen Tyrer Offering: Marlene Grimwood, Peter Anderson & Karen Tyrer Sound Team: Brent Tyrer Scripture Reader: Jim Hawkins Count Team: Diane Dickie, Brent & Karen Tyrer Fellowship Time: Mary McDuffe, Mary Ellen Lee & Hélène Ellison Bakers Dozen: Karen Davidson & Mary Ellen Lee

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 Congregational responses in **bold**

We Gather As God's People

Prelude

*VU 256 "O God, Beyond All Praising"

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship (Based on Jeremiah 31:31-34)

Before time began, after all time ends, And in the present moment,

God calls people to worship.

Before our earliest memories after all memories shall cease

Our God knows us.

To the humble heart, the questing spirit, the anguished soul, the fragile human,

God chooses, in love and mercy, to be known. We gather before such love, such divinity, Made known in activity, alive in silence,

Present with us by the Spirit.

The good news of Christ brings life to dead souls, light to dark corners, strength in the midst of weakness.

> We have been called to worship and give God our everlasting 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 everand ever.

We Listen For God's Word

Choir Anthem: Let All Creation Glorify the Lord

Scripture: Revelation 8:1-5

Jim Hawkins

Reflection: "When Heaven and Earth Meet: There Is Silence"

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 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 676 "God Make Us Servants Of Your Peace"

*Words of Sending Forth

God's people have celebrated all that God has done, from creation, to the cross, to the saints who have lived among us, to the ones who walk with us and in anticipation of the One who is to come. Now we go from this place to the work place, the home place, the market place; every place living as God's own people.

*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.

