

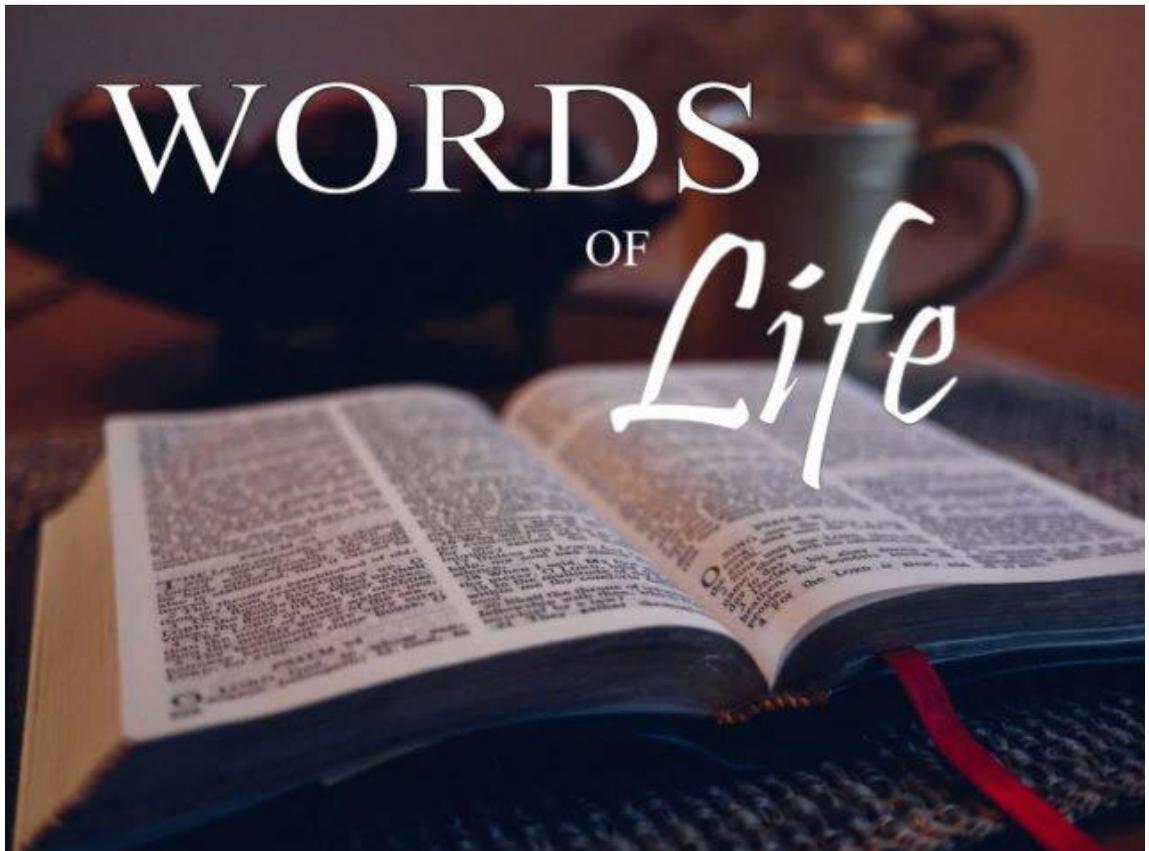


St. Paul's Anglican Church

" Connecting people with God and each other "

Sunday, July 11, 2021: 7th Sunday After Pentecost

The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. (Deuteronomy 30:14)



ST. PAUL'S COVID-19 RESPONSE

Welcome!! During this unique time in history, services will look a bit different than normal. We want to care for the whole parish during this time and one way to care for one another is keeping each other safe. As such, we ask you to follow these guidelines while worshipping with us:

- **Experiencing Cough, Fever, or Other Symptom/s?** Go home immediately and please stay home for fourteen days following the end of your symptoms.
- **Maintain Physical Distance.** At all times, please remain a minimum of six feet (three seat spaces) from all other individuals not part of your family unit. You will find tape on the floor six feet apart in multiple locations to help you maintain this distance. Please also maintain physical distance outside.
- **Wear a Mask When Singing.** As per the Diocese of Edmonton, masks must be worn while singing but may be removed at other times. Of course, you are welcome to remain masked throughout the service.
- **Listen to the Ushers.** There will be ushers inside and outside to help direct these new procedures. Please heed their direction as they are trying to keep everyone safe and healthy.
- **Sanitize Hands Frequently.** Please sanitize your hands upon entry and before taking communion. You may also sanitize as often as you would like during the service. Please also try to refrain from touching surfaces and your face.
- **Recycle Bulletins.** Please do not leave bulletins in the pews. A recycle bin is available at each exit. You may also take the bulletin home.

Opening Song: *Blessed Be Your Name*

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

(Pre-Chorus)

Every blessing You pour out
I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say

(Chorus)

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name *(To Pre-Chorus)*

Penitential Rite

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is Kept

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Morning Prayer

Leader: Lord, open our lips,

All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!

Leader: God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

All: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Know this: The Lord himself is God; he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and call upon his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The Reading of Scripture

First Reading: 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the LORD with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the LORD. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the

people in the name of the LORD of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Canticle: Psalm 24

*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.*

*For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.*

*"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"*

*"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.*

*They shall receive a blessing from the Lord *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."*

*Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.*

*Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.*

*"Who is this King of glory?" *
"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle."*

*Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.*

*"Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."*

Prayer: Creator and ruler of all, open our hearts that the King of glory may enter, and bring us rejoicing to your holy mountain, where you live and reign, now and for ever.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to

the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight, he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Processional Chorus – 10,000 Reasons

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship Your holy name

The Gospel Reading

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you

wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship Through Song

10,000 Reasons

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

(Chorus) Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name

You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find *(To Chorus)*

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul
Will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore *(To Chorus)*

Who You Say We Are

O, how great is the love
The Father has lavished on us
That we should be called
The children of God
O, how great was the cost
The Father was willing to pay
So we could be called
The children of God

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Affirmation of Faith – The Apostle’s Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, hear our prayer.” Let us pray for those in the St. Paul’s Cycle of Prayer: Myron, Jodi, and Bella Penner; Mack and Abigail Harding; Laurie Bridge; and Doreen Sullivan; as well as all of those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the peace of the world: the Lord grant that we may live together in justice and faith.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for this country, and especially for Queen Elizabeth, the Governor General, the Prime Minister, and all in authority: the Lord help them to serve this people according to his holy will.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for children and young people: the Lord guide their growth and development.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for the sick: the Lord deliver them and keep them in his love.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us pray for all who are condemned to exile, prison, harsh treatment, or hard labour, for the sake of justice and truth: the Lord support them and keep them steadfast.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: We remember the prophets, apostles, martyrs, and all who have borne witness to the gospel: the Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice.

All: Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

The Collect

Leader: Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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. Amen.

Blessing

Congregational Announcements (David Heritage)

Closing Song: This is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power
Of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty
And so much stronger
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth
With holy thunder
And leaves us breathless
In awe and wonder
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

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(Chorus) This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all
That You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan
A son and daughter
The King of Glory, the King of Glory
Who rules the nations
With truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory
The King above all kings *(To Chorus)*

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Covid Restrictions Changes

As of July 1, many of the Covid restrictions have changed. A full listing of these can be found on the inside front cover of this bulletin. Key changes:

- Please continue maintaining physical distancing while worshipping.
- Masking is only mandatory while singing. Masking throughout the service is still encouraged but not required when not singing.
- Foyer washrooms have reopened.
- There is still no coffee time for the foreseeable future. As such, the Hall remains closed.

Staff Holidays Over the Summer

- **Rev. Myron: Away July 5-26.** Coverage for pastoral emergencies will be provided by Rev. Sarah Holmstrom. Rev. Sarah can be reached at 519-771-6781. For other matters that need swift attention, please contact either RJ or Michelle (on the weeks they are here).
- **Michelle: Away July 12-16.** RJ will be in the office Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30-noon this week and will check email daily Monday-Thursday.
- **RJ: Away August 14-22.**
- **Abigail: Away all of July and August.**

Office Hours Over July Holidays

- July 5-18: Office open Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30-noon (RJ only second week)
- July 19-27: Office open Monday-Thursday from 9:00-11:00AM (Michelle only m/W, RJ also on T/Th)

St. Paul's Accepting Gently Used or New Board Games and Puzzles

If you have gently used board games or puzzles you would like to donate to St. Paul's, please drop them by St. Paul's anytime we are open over the next couple of months.

Community Corner for July 11

New REACH Fund Grant – APPLY TODAY! As a member of St Paul's, it's very likely that there is an Edmonton-based charity you support with your time and energy. We want to recognize the important work our parishioners do in the city, by partnering with you! Qualifying applications will have \$500 donated to the charity they work with. Details about each charity that receives funds will be shared with the congregation.

Grant applications are open. For more information about the grant and to apply, please visit the link in the Community Corner in this week's email. You can also contact Michelle directly at michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca

Please join us for **Popsicles on the Patio**, hosted on July 21 and August 18 from 6-7PM. This is a Grovenor Community social time and our neighbours have all been invited to come enjoy a cold treat on the patio. Please come out and make it memorable!

Our **entrance bulletin boards** need a new look. They will be revitalized in August to be ready for our official kick-off Sunday September 12. Do you have creative input on what to put up and how to make it inviting? Could you spend some time doing the work to install new materials? Michelle would love the help and input. Please contact her ASAP.

This Week's Ministry Teams:

Music: Andrew and Team
Service Team: Green and Tilburn
Reader/Prayers: Rick and Barb M.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer:

Myron, Jodi, and Bella Penner;
Mack and Abigail Harding;
Laurie Bridge;
Doreen Sullivan

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Diocese of British Columbia: the Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee, Bishop. Diocese of Edmonton Archdeacons: Lee Bezanson, Travis Enright, Jordan Haynie Ware, Richard King. Buyé Diocese, Ngozi (St. John) Parish: Damascene Bagirubwira Rector and Deo Nkuzimana Deputy Rector. Louis Bull Tribe.

Next Week's Ministry Teams:

Music: Andrew and Team
Service Team: Parker and Heritage Teams
Reader/Prayers: Andrew and Nancy W-S.

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