

# ST. PAUL'S

# ANGLICAN CHURCH

Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, May 14, 2023: Sixth Sunday of Easter

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. (John 14:23)



# **WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!**

#### REGULAR SERVICES

- Eucharist services: Sundays at 10:00AM
- Morning Prayer Services:
   Mon-Sat at 8:00AM on <u>Zoom</u>
   Thurs. are in person at St. Paul's
- Sermons are available on our Website
- We also have special services, small groups, and regular games nights!

#### SERVING ST. PAUL'S: Email the Office

 Join a Ministry Team (Sunday service team, Music team, Children's ministry, Altar guild, Sound/Video, etc.)

#### **GIVING TO ST. PAUL'S:** One-Time or Recurring

- <u>Giving</u> can be done through our <u>Website</u> or the <u>Tithely App</u>.
- We can also receive donations by Cash, Cheque, Automatic Debit/Credit, or E-Transfer.

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#### LARGE PRINT MATERIALS

Large print Bibles and BAS (Book of Alternative Services) are available at each door.

#### **VISITING TODAY?**

We want to get to know you! Please join us in the Hall for coffee and fellowship following the service.



The greeters are also available to help if you have any questions.



Assisted Listening is available.
Please ask a greeter for assistance.

# **COVID-19 GUIDELINES**

**Know Current Health Guidelines.** If you tested positive for COVID-19 or have new or worsening symptoms, please stay home & follow public health guidelines. You may be required to isolate.

**Support.** If you are suffering from symptoms of Covid-19 and require support, please contact the office.

**Respect Others' Preferences.** Please graciously respect the preferences of others who may choose to wear masks for various reasons.

**Consider Masking**. St. Paul's encourages masking for anyone who wishes to safeguard against infection, although masks are not mandatory.

Opening: Come People Of The Risen King

Come people of the Risen King Who delight to bring Him praise

Come all and tune your hearts to sing

To the Morning Star of grace

From the shifting shadows of the earth

We will lift our eyes to Him

Where steady arms of mercy reach

To gather children in

*(Chorus)* Rejoice, rejoice Let ev'ry tongue rejoice

One heart one voice

O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun And those weeping through the night

Come those who tell of battles won And those struggling in the fight

For His perfect love will never change

And His mercies never cease

But follow us through all our days

With the certain hope of peace (To Chorus)

Come young and old from ev'ry land

Men and women of the faith

Come those with full or empty hands

Find the riches of His grace

Over all the world His people sing Shore to shore we hear them call

The truth that cries through ev'ry age

Our God is all in all (To Chorus).

## The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant: *(pg. 185)* Alleluia! Christ is risen. **People:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

People: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ

our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: (pg. 341) Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond

imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

#### Children and Youth Dismissal

#### The Proclamation of the Word $(\leftarrow Click to read online)$

## The Readings

**Acts 17:22-31** (pg. 785 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:7-18

Refrain



Bless our God you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard; Who holds our souls in life and will not allow our feet to slip. **Refrain** 

For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us just as silver is tried. You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs. **Refrain** 

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; But you brought us our into a place of refreshment. **Refrain** 

I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, Which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble. I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams;

I will give you oxen and goats. Refrain

Come and listen, all you who fear God, And I will tell you what he has done for me. I called out to him with my mouth, And his praise was on my tongue. **Refrain** 

If I had found evil in my heart, the Lord would not have heard me; But in truth God has heard me; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, Nor withheld his love from me. **Refrain** 

#### **1 Peter 3:13-22** (pg. 858 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Processional: As For Me

Your word alone a lamp to my feet Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine

A light to my path as You're leading me To You I lift my eyes.

#### 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. John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*The Gospel Reading:* **John 14:15-21** (pg. 764 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# Worship Through Song As For Me

Your love oh Lord is strength to my soul Hope for tomorrow it won't let go Your presence is the joy of my life To You I lift my eyes

(Chorus) As for me and my house We will serve the Lord

We will sing of Your love forevermore As for me and my house We will serve the Lord, serve the Lord

Your word alone a lamp to my feet A light to my path as You're leading me Your ways oh Lord are higher than mine To You I lift my eyes (*To Chorus*).

#### Simplicity

I come in simplicity, longing for purity To worship You in spirit and truth, only You Lord strip it all away, till only You remain I'm coming back to my first love, only You

(Chorus) You're the reason I sing The reason I sing Yes, my heart will sing how I love You And forever I'll sing, forever I'll sing Yes, my heart will sing how I love You I come with my broken song
To You the perfect One
To worship You
In spirit and truth
Only You
Give me a child-like heart
Lead me to where You are
I'm coming back to my first love
Only You (To Chorus).

<u>Listening Time:</u> Listen to God, in this moment. If you hear a word of exhortation or a scripture for the congregation, you may speak it loudly for all to hear.

<u>Sermon: The Rev. Sarah Holmstrom</u> (A page for notes is available separately)

Affirmation of Faith: We Belong to God

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith, as we say,

All: We belong to God, eternal and infinite, Creator of all things and all that is to come. We follow Christ, who comes to us from God, and reveals God to us. He heals people and transforms lives, and calls us to join in his ministry. He was crucified, died, and was raised again by God, and reigns over all Creation; and he bids us to die and rise with him in the service of the healing of the world. We are moved by the Holy Spirit, together with the communion of saints, as members of the Body of Christ, God's holy universal church. We are confident in the forgiveness of sin, the power of resurrection and the reality of eternal life. In all things it is our desire to follow Christ, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory. Amen.

#### Prayers of the People

(See BAS pgs. 110-123)

Let us pray together to the Lord saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

#### **Confession of Sin**

Celebrant: (pg. 191) Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in

mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our

sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silent Confession

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: 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.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

#### The Celebration of the Eucharist

#### The Preparation of the Gifts

#### Offertory Song: All Praise To Thee

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, Didst yield the glory that of right was thine.

That in our darkened hearts

Thy grace might shine: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought, By thee the outcast and the poor were sought,

And by thy death was

God's salvation wrought: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let this mind be in us which was in thee, Who wast a servant that we might be free, Humbling thyself to death on Calvary:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou Art high exalted o'er all creatures now,

And given the name to

Which all knees shall bow: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let every tongue confess with one accord, In heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord, And God the Father be by all adored:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: (pg. 342) God of glory,

All: accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and

light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: (pg. 201) The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right to give you thanks and praise, O Lord, our God, sustainer of the

universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our

island home; by your will they were created and have their being.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us

with memory, reason, and skill; you made us the stewards of creation.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: But we turn against you, and betray your trust ... By his death he opened to

us the way of freedom and peace.

People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: (pg. 202) Therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with those in every generation who

have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their

unending hymn:

All *(Sung)*: Holy, holy are you Lord. God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the one who comes

in your name! Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna, hosanna,

hosanna in the highest!

Celebrant: (pg. 202) Blessed are you, Lord our God ... "Whenever you drink it, do this

for the remembrance of me."

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: (pg. 203) Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son.....that we who eat

and drink at this holy table may share in the divine life of Christ our Lord.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit.....through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour

and glory are yours, creator of all.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All: (Sung) Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: (pg. 213) Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life. Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection. Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

#### The Communion

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

You are welcome to receive communion or come forward for a blessing. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please fold your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Receiving only one kind includes the fullness of the sacrament.

You may also receive prayer in the Chapel to the right during this time.

#### Agnus Dei: Lamb of God

(Sung) Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world. Grant us your peace.

#### **Communion Music**

#### We Come To You

By Your body and blood We come to You, we come to You

By Your life and Your love renew us Make us whole again

May Your sacrifice be In the body of Christ Forgiveness in me heal us

We are brought to new life restore us

(Chorus) We come to You May the flesh that we eat

We come to You broken, hungry And the blood that we drink save us (To Ch.)

#### Majesty

Here I am, humbled by Your majesty Covered by Your grace so free Here I am, knowing I'm a sinful man Covered by the blood of the Lamb (Chorus) Now I've found
The greatest love of all is mine
Since You laid down Your life

The greatest sacrifice Majesty, majesty

Your grace has found me just as I am Empty handed but alive in Your hands

Here I am, humbled by the love that You give

Forgiven so that I can forgive

Here I stand, knowing that I'm Your desire

Sanctified by glory and fire (To Ch.)

(*Final Chorus*) Majesty, majesty Forever I am changed by Your love In the presence of Your majesty.

He Will Keep You (Psalm 121)

I lift my eyes and see, I need not be afraid

All my help comes from the Lord

Who the earth and sky has made

(Chorus) He will keep you from all evils

Behind you and before

He will sustain you through this journey

From now and evermore

The Lord will never sleep

My steps He has ordained For the One Who holds the night

Is the Sovereign of my days (To Ch.)

**After Communion** 

Celebrant: (pg. 342) Father,

All: you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive

this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus

Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: (pg. 214) Glory to God,

All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or

imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in

Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Blessing** 

Congregational Announcements (Paul D.)

Closing Song: Hear The Call Of The Kingdom

Hear the call of the kingdom (Chorus) King of heaven
Lift your eyes to the King We will answer the call

Let His song rise within you We will follow bringing hope to the world

As a fragrant offering Filled with passion

Of how God rich in mercy Filled with power to proclaim

Came in Christ to redeem Salvation in Jesus' name

All who trust in His unfailing grace

Hear the call of the kingdom

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To be children of light To reach out to the lost

With the mercy of heaven

The humility of Christ

Walking justly before Him

With the Father's compassion

In the wonder of the cross

Bringing peace and forgivenes

Walking justly before Him

Loving all that is right

Bringing peace and forgiveness
And a hope yet to come

That the life of Christ may shine through us Let the nations put their trust in Him (*To Ch.*)

**Dismissal** 

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Please join us in the hall for coffee following the service.

#### **Community Corner**

This Sunday, May 14, we celebrate **Mother's Day**, a day to recognize mothers as well as motherhood, maternal bonds and the importance of mothers in God's creation. Our connections to mothers and motherhood are varied, complex and personal. We invite you to recognize any women in your life who have helped you on your journey.

Curators at the **Royal Alberta Museum** periodically host an information session about a particular item in the gallery. "The new Royal Alberta Museum takes you on a journey through millions of years of Alberta's remarkable stories. From our expansive Natural and Human History halls chronicling the history of Alberta's people, animals and landscapes, to a live Bug Gallery, and Children's Gallery for little visitors with big imaginations, a-ha moments await around every corner!" For more information, please visit HERE.

The world's largest display of BRICK ART is on at the **TELUS WORLD OF SCIENCE**. From the website: "he Art of the Brick, the world's largest display of brick art, is coming to Edmonton. Over 100 works of art by Nathan Sawaya, featuring original pieces and reimagined world-famous masterpieces, are on display. Interactive experiences include *LEGO® Drag Race*, *Six Bricks*, *Hidden Hands*, and *Free Play*." Visit <a href="www.telusworldofscienceedmonton.ca">www.telusworldofscienceedmonton.ca</a> for more information.

### Mental Health Highlight

**Session 6: Caregiving –** Caregivers provide a variety of support and assistance to people who need help with aspects of daily living. In this session we explore the realities of caregiving for a loved one living with mental illness. In this session's video you will meet Lee and Sage. Sage experienced psychosis—a temporary loss of contact with reality due to hallucinations or delusions—in the midst of a medical crisis. Lee, her husband, speaks about the role of caregiving and his own wellbeing alongside the difficulties of Sage's illness.

<u>The Sanctuary Course</u> is an 8-week course that gives participants a chance to <u>broaden their</u> <u>understanding of mental health from a Christian perspective</u>. This week, our session introduces us to the topic of Mental Health. See more on our Blog at <u>www.stpauls-anglican.ca/blog</u>

# **Enbridge Tour Alberta for Cancer**

Cara R. is riding 200 km on July 22-23 to raise money for cancer research in Alberta. This year marks 3 years since she completed treatment for colon cancer and the first year that tests confirm she is cancer-free. She is a living testament to the power of cancer research; her doctors told her that even 15 years ago she wouldn't have survived. If you are interested, please consider donating. Talk to Cara directly, or go to her personal fundraising page (https://support.touralbertaforcancer.ca/fundraiser/4012688)

#### 2023 Parish Retreat

St Paul's Parish Retreat 2023: "Learning to Tell Our Story: Generation to Generation" June 2-4, 2023 at Camp Nakamun with Rev Sarah Holmstrom

We are excited to announce that **registration for our Intergenerational Parish Retreat** opens Sunday, April 16 at noon! Our learning will be lead by Rev Sarah Holmstrom, and the theme this year is "Learning to Tell Our Story: Generation to Generation". This builds from Deuteronomy 11:18-21. "Place these words on your hearts. Get them deep inside you. Tie them on your hands and foreheads as a reminder. Teach them to your children. Talk about them wherever you are, sitting at home or walking in the street; talk about them from the time you get up in the morning until you fall into bed at night. Inscribe them on the doorposts and gates of your cities so that you'll live a long time, and your children with you, on the soil that God promised to give your ancestors for as long as there is a sky over the Earth." (The Message)

New additions for our retreat this year include a hot dog roast for dinner on Friday evening, a Saturday afternoon barge ride and an outdoor prayer tent. We are really looking forward to a wonderful weekend of learning, resting, playing and fellowship. Everyone is welcome. The retreat itinerary and camp fees are listed in our Retreat Brochure and the <a href="mailto:church website">church website</a>. For any additional information, contact Michelle Schurek <a href="mailto:michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca">michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca</a>

#### **Dawn Chorus Choir**

Dawn Chorus Choir, directed by RJ C., presents a Spring Concert, "Life and Love". Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 12:00 (Noon). Free admission. Donations welcome.

St. Timothy's Anglican Church, 8420 145 St. NW, Edmonton.

#### Borrowing a Van

George J is looking to borrow an 8 seater van during this August. If you have one, or can provide him with some information, phone him directly at 780-952-8025.

#### **Synod Scene**

See what's happening in our Diocese in their Synod Scene newsletter at <a href="https://www.shorturl.at/tBH03">www.shorturl.at/tBH03</a>

#### This Week's Ministry Teams

Music/Sound/Video: Andrew/Asher/Lauren Service Team: Parker Team Prayers of the People: Nancy W-S. Vestry on Duty/Announcements: Paul D. Chapel Prayer: Wendell & Nora Kids: Renee J.

#### Next Week's Ministry Teams: May 21st

Music/Sound/Video: Asher/John/Jacky
Service Team: Jackson Team
Prayers of the People: Gay G.
Vestry on Duty/Announcements: Connie P.
Chapel Prayer: Laurier, Terry, Kjeryn
Kids: Margot B.

#### Cycle of Prayer for St. Paul's & Grovenor

Paul Dowie (Dylan & Charlotte) George and Elizabeth Jakeway Scott Morgan and Adele Bosse-Morgan Renée Perez (Voces Alegres Choir)

#### **Anglican Cycle of Prayer**

Diocese of the Arctic: the Rt. Rev. David Parsons,
Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Annie Ittoshat, the Rt. Rev.
Lucy Netser, the Rt. Rev. Joey Royal, Suffragan
Bishops. St. Augustine of Canterbury, Edmonton:
Jonathan Crane (s. Megan), Rector; Anne
Wightman (s. Peter), Bob Peel (s. Patty), Ron
Hörst, Honorary Assistants; Jean Nsengiyumva,
Honorary Assistant, Congolese Congregation. Buyé
Diocese, Canika Parish: Evariste Nsabimana,
Rector. All First Nations people of Treaty 6.





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Office: Tues & Thurs at 9:00am–12:00pm Office Closed: Fri–Sun (& Holidays) Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 10:00am Morning Prayer: Daily at 8:00am (Online)

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Rector's Warden: Paul Dowie People's Warden: Margot Byer Parish Treasurer: David Heritage Vestry Members: Betty Kavuma,

Barb Dixon, & Connie Pistawka

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