

ST. PAUL'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, September 21, 2025: 15th Sunday After Pentecost

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)



For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though he was rich, yet for your sake

He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!

VISITING TODAY?

We want to get to know you! Please join us in the Hall for coffee and conversation after the service. The greeters are available to answer any of your questions. Please fill out a welcome card in the back of the pew and put it in the offering basket, or give to any volunteer, staff, or vestry member.



ABOUT ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN

Services:

- Eucharist services: Sundays at 10:00AM
- Morning & Evening Prayer Services:
 Mon-Sat at 8:00AM on Zoom
 Mon-Sun at 9:15PM on Zoom.
- Sermons are available on our Website
- We also have small groups

Office Hours:

- Tues. & Thurs., 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- Office is closed: Fri-Sun (and Holidays)

Serving St. Paul's: Email office@stpauls-anglican.ca

• Join a Ministry Team (Service Team, Music, Altar Guild, Sound/Video, etc.)

Giving to St. Paul's: One-Time or Recurring

- <u>Giving</u> can be done with Cash, Cheque, Automatic Debit/Credit, or E-Transfer to <u>office@stpauls-anglican.ca</u>
- We can also receive donations through our <u>Website</u> or the <u>Tithely App</u>.

PRAYER

For the Prayer Chain, email or phone: prayer@stpauls-anglican.ca – 780-455-0771

For pastoral emergencies call: (780) 446-3751

ACCESSIBILITY

We have accessible washrooms and lifts available for anyone who needs them. If you need help, please speak to a greeter.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE ©

Holy Bible

LARGE PRINT MATERIALS

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

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES



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





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Our Narrative Statement of Identity: We love to be together, persevere, and practice the ways of Jesus together. Even though we're at different places on our journey, we share a guiding story as given through the Bible, and we all look for Jesus in each other and in the world we live in. We share faith, we share music, we share differences, and above all we share God's love of us in Jesus. We all give, we all receive. We are a diverse family who laughs, cries, and prays together, and is learning how to love and care for each other. Our greatest ambition is to share this love with everyone around us – in our neighbourhoods and around the world.

Opening Song: All The Earth

From the rising of the sun
To the ending of the day
One name alone be praised

Jesus You have rescued us
You are good and You are just
One name alone be praised

Ev'ry nation tribe and tongue From the heights and from the depths

All creation lifting up

In ev'ry heart with ev'ry breath
Your name alone we raise
Your name alone we raise (To Ch.)

(Chorus) Praise the Lord Ev'ry sky is filled with wonder All the earth, all the earth All creation lifting higher

Bless His name The only King who reigns forever

Only one name now and always Who is like our God who is like our God (Ch.)

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant: (BAS pg. 185) The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and

the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

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. 381) Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and

ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hands in all your works & to serve you with reverence & thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is

alive & reigns with you & the Holy Spirit, one God, now & for ever. Amen

Lectionary Reflections

The Proclamation of the Word $(\leftarrow \underline{Click \ to \ read \ online})$

Amos 8:4-7 (pg. 651 in the red pew Bible)

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

Psalm 113 (Sung together to the tune of Come Thou Fount)

Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah!

Praise, O servants of the Lord;

Bless-ed be the Lord's name ever praise Him now and evermore.

From the rising of the sun to

where it sets at end of day,

The Lord's name is to be praised in ev'ry place the sun has sway.



For the Lord is high above the nations of earth everywhere, And His glory is exalted o'er the heav'ns, none can compare. Who is like the Lord our God—the One who sits enthroned on high? He who stoops to look upon all on the earth from heaven high.

He does raise the poor from dust; lifts needy ones from the ash heap; He seats them with princes, and with princes He their lives will keep. He will give the barren woman joy in children all her days; In a home she will abide—0 to the Lord be joyful praise!

1 Timothy 2:1-7 (pg. 839 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Proclamation: Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading:

The Lord be with you. Reader: People: And also with you.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel Reading: Luke 16:1-13 (pg. 740 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship Through Song

God Almighty

Like the water's roar is Your voice O Lord There is none before and none beside You are set apart, You alone are God Your glory reaches far from sky to sky

(Chorus) Holy, holy, Lord God Almighty Early in the morning we will sing Holy, holy, we bow down before Thee All Your children love to sing Your name

God Almighty

God Of Wonders

Lord of all creation, of water earth and sky The heavens are Your tabernacle Glory to the Lord on high

You're the breath of life You're the God on high

Your song shall rise and never pass away

O Your Majesty evermore shall be The earth, the skies, the sea

Shall bring You praise (To Ch.)

& I hide my eyes with my face to the ground

In the presence of Your Majesty

And I clap my hands and I lay my crowns In the presence of Your Majesty (To Ch.)

(Chorus) God of wonders beyond our galaxy

You are holy, holy

The universe declares Your majesty

You are holy, holy; Lord of heaven and earth

Lord of heaven and earth

Early in the morning
I will celebrate the light
When I stumble in the darkness
I will call Your name by night (*To Ch.*)

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth Hallelujah to the Lord *(To Ch.)*

Listening Time

All:

<u>Sermon:</u> Michelle Schurek (A page for notes is available separately)

Affirmation of Faith: *Christ Accompanies Us*Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith, as we say,

We believe in God, Creator of all things, heavenly father, Soul of infinite love, wisdom, and power, ruler of all that is and all that is to come, who is mystery, yet revealed. We follow Christ, God's chosen one, who loved and served humbly, who healed the broken and included the outcast, who chose to suffer rather than harm for the sake of the healing of all Creation, who gave his life for our redemption, and who was raised by God to new life. In his teaching, in his death and resurrection, and in his presence with us in all circumstances, he reveals God to us. He calls us to serve him for the sake of proclaiming God's grace. We trust that he accompanies us and will help, guide, heal, and defend us through all difficulty and suffering. We believe in the Holy Spirit who sustains us, and guides us and empowers us as servants of God's grace. We live as the body of Christ, in the power of forgiveness and the reality of resurrection, and the light of eternal life. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(See BAS pgs. 110-123)

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: (pg. 168) Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in

mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. May God, who enlightens every heart, help you to confess your sins and trust in his mercy.

Let us now confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silent Confession

Celebrant: Have mercy upon us,

All: most merciful Father; in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and

unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life to the honour and glory of your

name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

All: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: (pg. 192) 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: I Give Thanks And we know it's not what we've done

You have shown me favor unending But by Your hand alone

You have given Your life for me

(Chorus 2) We will arise and give thanks And my heart knows of Your goodness

To You Lord our God Your blood has covered me

And Your name we will bless

With our whole hearts (Chorus 1) I will arise and give thanks To You Lord my God You have shown mercy

And Your name I will bless You have shown mercy to us

With my whole heart We give thanks to You Lord You have shown mercy

You O Lord are the healer of our soul You have shown mercy to me You O Lord are the gracious Redeemer

I give thanks to You Lord You come to restore us again

You have poured out Your healing upon us Yes You come to restore us again

You have set the captives free And again (To Ch. 2)

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: (pg. 382) God of power,

All: the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this

day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the

sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

(Eucharistic Prayer #4)

And also with you. People: Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. 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, 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 in the highest!

Celebrant: (pg. 202) Blessed are you, Lord our God ... this is my body which is given for

you. Do this for the remembrance of me." In the same way ... "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: (pg. 211) As our Saviour taught us, let us pray as we sing,

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. 212) Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat,

whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

All: So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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.

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 during this time.

Communion Music

Come As You Are

Come out of sadness
From wherever you've been
Come broken-hearted let rescue begin
Come find your mercy, O sinner come kneel
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal

(Chorus) So lay down your burdens
Lay down your shame
All who are broken lift up your face
O wanderer come home, you're not too far
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart
Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless
And all those who've strayed
Come sit at the table, come taste the grace
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures
Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't cure
(To Ch.)

There's joy for the morning O sinner be still Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can't heal *(To Ch.)*

Hallelujah To My King

O how strong the power of Jesus' Name It is stronger than any other name How sweet the victory that bore my shame Took the burden of my sin away

(Chorus) Hallelujah, what a Savior I owe everything to Him Hallelujah, what a Savior Hallelujah to my King O how great the kindness our God has shown We were strangers now we're called His own His grace has welcomed the sinner home Tender mercies lead us to the throne *(Ch.)*

Hallelujah, Hallelujah to my King Hallelujah, Hallelujah to my King O what peace the Spirit of Jesus brings Through the trials He will carry me One day in Heaven our eyes will meet Filled with wonder all the saints will sing (To Ch.)

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands Who has numbered every grain of sand Kings and nations tremble at His voice All creation rises to rejoice

(Chorus) Behold our God Seated on His throne, come let us adore Him Behold our King Nothing can compare, come let us adore Him Who has given counsel to the Lord Who can question any of His words Who can teach the One who knows all things Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds *(Ch.)*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus Savior risen now to reign *(To Ch.)*

Prayers After Communion

Celebrant: (pg. 382) Ruler of the universe,

All: all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in

holy things grow in maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same

Jesus Christ our 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

<u>Lectionary Discussion</u> (Please share aloud your thoughts from hearing the Word of God)

Congregational Announcements (Jim E.)

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

Hear the call of the kingdom

To reach out to the lost

To be children of light

With the Father's compassion

With the mercy of heaven

In the wonder of the cross

The humility of Christ

Bringing peace and forgiveness

Walking justly before Him

And a hope yet to come

Loving all that is right Let the nations put their trust in Him *(Ch.)*

That the life of Christ may shine through us

Dismissal

Celebrant: (pg. 215) Go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Please join us coffee and fellowship in the Hall after the service! We also invite you to bring your own refillable mug to reduce waste

Chess and Chocolate – This Sunday!

We would like to invite you to a time fun and fellowship on **September 21, after the service at Ch. Café**, where you can play chess, drink coffee, and buy some chocolate. All ages and skill levels welcome, including people would like to learn. Please contact Dave P. for details.

Community Corner Highlights

With the creation of the **St Paul's Event One-Pager**, we've already received several proposals for events! This page helps the event leader create an outline of critical details needed to run an event. As events are created, they can be added to the St Paul's Events Page on our website and on our church bulletin board at the side entrance. You can talk with Michelle S. about your ideas by emailing her at michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca. Watch this space for upcoming church events!!

The next **FREE Community Dinner** at St Paul's is happening **Saturday, September 27.** Doors open at 4:30 and dinner is served at 5:00. We are planning an Indigenous-themed meal! Please come & enjoy a delicious meal & good conversation with other guests. You're welcome to volunteer by signing up at www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CABAF28A5FCC70-51575075-sept.

Come for dinner and bring your friends!

Thanksgiving weekend is three weeks away! There are several charities in Edmonton who host Thanksgiving dinner for the people they serve, such as the Bissell Centre, Mustard See and Hope Mission. These organizations have all reported increased requests for assistance in 2025. Please help support their Thanksgiving meals as well as the ongoing service these organizations provide. Take a look at them online at www.bissellcentre.org, www.theseed.ca, and www.hopemission.com.

Mental Health Highlight

Knowing and honouring your personal boundaries is essential for your mental, physical, emotional and spiritual wellbeing. Physical Boundaries refer to the limits we set around our personal space and physical bodies. Examples include the physical space around you that you don't want others to enter without consent, the level of touch you are comfortable with, personal privacy with your home or belongings, and boundaries around physical health and injury. Emotional boundaries are the limits and guidelines we set within relationships about our feelings, thoughts, and emotional needs. Protecting your emotional boundaries involves things such as expressing your feelings and needs clearly and assertively, saying "no" without feeling guilty, and not taking on other people's emotions or problems as your own.

Reconciliation Awareness Highlight

As we approach September 30, 2025, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, please take some time to reflect on the 10th anniversary of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. 15 of the 94 Calls to Action have been met, many are in progress and several have not yet been started. There are still Indigenous communities without access to clean drinking water. The article "Ten Years Later: Remembering the Truth" outlines the work that has been completed and what still needs to be done. You can read it at https://downiewenjack.ca/10th-anniversary-of-the-trc-final-reports/. Please wear your orange shirt next Sunday, as we will observe Orange Shirt Day during our service on Sunday, September 28, 2025.

Safe Church Highlight

"When in doubt, go in pairs" is a phrase that refers to **the practice of two** police-screened adults being present when interacting with vulnerable parishioners (such as children, persons with disabilities, seniors) to ensure safety and prevent potential abuse. It is a key component to reducing opportunities for misconduct, and fosters a culture of transparency in the church. Please visit HERE to review the most recent update of the Safe Church Policy. If you are interested in Safe Church training, please contact the office office@stpauls-anglican.ca.

<u>Windswept Meditation: Snuggle – This Monday!</u>

"Nothing says love like a quilt." Grambo Beth Robertson
You are invited to bring a favorite quilt and find rest in the love of God. Meditative music by
Doug P. and Natalie B. It will be at **7pm on September 22**nd at St Paul's.

Kid's Church - Next Sunday!

On **September 28th**, we are excited to have children's programming during our Sunday service. The programming will be led by our youth and supervised Safe Church-screened adults. We are unfortunately unable to have ongoing Sunday programming for kids, so we are grateful for this event from our youth. Please plan to bring your (grand)children with you!

New Piano

We are excited that our new Yamaha C-3 baby grand piano is now here! This piano (and its repairs and installation) cost approximately \$15,000, though our technician indicated that this piano in good condition would be worth much more than that. If you are interested in contributing to this project, please mark any donations with "piano".

Consecration of St. Peter the Apostle Anglican Church

Please join Bishop Stephen London and the Anglican Diocese of Edmonton for the consecration of St. Peter the Apostle Anglican Church, which is the other parish that Rev. Eric works at. They have been working and praying for this for many years, and we are very excited for them! The service will be on **Saturday**, **October 4**, **10** am, at **6210 188 St NW**, Edmonton. All are welcome!

Garment Services

Robin M. (Adele's daughter) is offering her services for hemming and adjusting clothing. Fall Wardrobe needing some adjustment? Want to save time? Garments can be marked for hemming, etc. after Sunday services, and then returned to you the following Sunday. Need a rush job on that pair of pants? I can bring my sewing machine to you and hem on site. I am currently a fashion & design college student looking for small jobs in repair & renewals, alterations, and restyling & resizing. Connect with Robin to see examples of her work and her reasonable rates at EMAIL or TEXT.

Staff Away

Michelle is planning to be away throughout the month of October and will not be available for calls or emails.

Synod Scene

Read our Diocese's Synod Scene newsletter at www.edmonton.anglican.ca/newsletters/latest.

This Week's Ministry Teams:

Music/Sound/Tech: Andrew/John/Jacky Service Team: Parker Team *Prayers of the People:* Terry B. Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: Jim E. Chapel Prayer: Wendell and Nora.

Next Week Teams: September 28th

Music/Sound/Tech: Adele w. RJ/Chandra/Yohana Service Team: Heritage Team Prayers of the People: Margot B. Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: Michelle S. Chapel Prayer: Laurier and Terry.

St. Paul's Staff

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Cycle of Prayer for St. Paul's

Frank and Carol Rudat Iim and Karen Egeto Doreen Sullivan

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Diocese of Saskatchewan: the Rt. Rev. Richard Reed, Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Adam Halkett, Bishop of Missinipi. Clergy widows and widowers of the Diocese of Edmonton (Hi-Z): Ron Hörst, Diane Howes, Alisa Ketchum-Walker, Ted McClung, Gillian Melbourne, Cynthia Morris, Janice Roderick, Elizabeth Rushton, Roberta Shell, Dorothy Wilson. Buyé Diocese, Ngozi (St. John) Parish: Damascene Bagirubwira, Rector; Deo Nkunzimana, Deputy Rector. Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.

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and Nancy Whistance-Smith.





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