



ST. PAUL'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH
Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, October 12, 2025: Harvest Thanksgiving

*Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
(Psalm 126:6)*



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

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

PRAYER

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

For pastoral emergencies call:
(780) 233-9322

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 ☺

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: Forever

Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good He is above all things
His love endures forever

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever

(Pre-Chorus) Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise

(Chorus) Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever, forever

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever *(To Pre-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 us 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. 396)* Creator of the fruitful earth, you made us stewards of all things. Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness, and steadfast wills to use your bounty well, that the whole human family, today and in generations to come, may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**

Lectionary Reflections *(After, children may be dismissed to their own programming)*

The Proclamation of the Word (← [Click to read online](#))

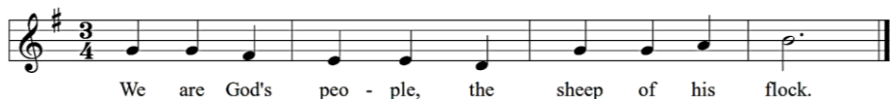
Deuteronomy 26:1-11 *(pg. 143 in the red pew Bible)*

Reader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 100 *(Sung)*

Refrain:



Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song. **Refrain**

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. **Refrain**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his Name. **Refrain**

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age. **Refrain**

Philippians 4:4-9 (pg. 832 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Proclamation: Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia.

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 John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel Reading: John 6:25-35 (pg. 755 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: *The Gospel of Christ.*

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Worship Through Song

Let Everything That Has Breath

(Chorus) Let everything that, everything that
Everything that has breath praise the Lord
Let everything that, everything that
Everything that has breath praise the Lord

(Bridge) If we (they) could see
How much You're worth
Your pow'r, Your might, Your endless love
Then surely we would
Never cease to praise *(To Ch.)*

Praise You in the morning
Praise You in the evening
Praise You when I'm young and when I'm old
Praise You when I'm laughing
Praise You when I'm grieving
Praise You every season of the soul

Praise You in the heavens
Joining with the angels
Praising You forever and a day
Praise You on the earth now
Joining with creation
Calling all the nations to Your praise *(To Br.)*

I'm Forever Grateful

You did not wait for me

To draw near to You

But You clothed Yourself

With frail humanity

You did not wait for me

To cry out to You

But You let me hear Your voice calling me

(Chorus)

And I'm forever grateful to You

I'm forever grateful

For the cross

I'm forever grateful to You

That You came

To seek and save the lost.

Listening Time

Sermon: *David Heritage*

(A page for notes is available separately)

Affirmation of Faith: *Christ Accompanies Us*

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

All: 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 us to confess our 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.

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

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: *My Heart Is Filled*

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who bore my pain
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace
And gave me life again
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness
And clothed me with His light
And wrote His law of righteousness
With pow'r upon my heart

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who walks beside
Who floods my weaknesses with strength
And causes fears to fly

Whose every promise is enough
For every step I take
Sustaining me with arms of love
And crowning me with grace

My heart is filled with thankfulness
To Him who reigns above
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace
Whose every thought is love
For every day I have on earth
Is given by the King
So I will give my life my all
To love and follow Him.

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: (pg. 397) Source of all life,

All: the heaven and earth are yours, yet you have given us dominion over all
things. Receive the symbols of our labour and love which we offer you this
day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: (pg. 196) The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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.

(Eucharistic Prayer #2)

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people. He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence. Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

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, hosanna in the highest!

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 us, 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 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

Special Piano Music

Worthy Is The Lamb

Thank You for the cross Lord
Thank You for the price You paid
Bearing all my sin and shame
In love You came and gave amazing grace

Thank You for this love Lord
Thank You for the nail-pierced hands
Washed me in Your cleansing flow

Now all I know
Your forgiveness and embrace

(Ch) Worthy is the Lamb seated on the throne
We crown You now with many crowns
You reign victorious
High and lifted up, Jesus Son of God
The Darling of heaven crucified
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.

Prayers After Communion

Celebrant: *(pg. 397)* God of our hope,

All: **in this eucharist we find the source of all your blessings. Nourished in these holy mysteries may we, with our lives, give you continual thanks and praise. This we ask in the name of 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.**

Lectionary Discussion *(Please share aloud your thoughts from hearing the Word of God)*

Congregational Announcements *(Jim E.)*

Closing 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-Ch.) 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-Ch.)*

Dismissal

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

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

Harvest Thanksgiving Service – This Week!

For Thanksgiving Sunday, we will be gathering food items which will be delivered to those in need. Please bring these thank offerings with you on Sunday morning and place them at the Altar. Anyone who is in need of food or knows someone needing food may take some.

New Coffee & Conversation – This Week!

Because a Sip & Chat can lead to deep Connection, we would like to invite you to stay for our Coffee Time for a facilitated group discussion. We hope to do these on the **2nd Sunday of each month** at the couches in the Hall. The first one is this week!

The Alex available for purchase

Cara R. will have her latest book available for purchase after the service today. *The Alex: The 125-year history of the Royal Alexandra Hospital* was launched earlier this year. You can have your very own copy for \$125+GST (\$131.25) and even get it signed by the author! All proceeds go towards the highest needs of the Royal Alexandra Hospital Foundation.

Community Corner Highlights

Our next **FREE Community Dinner** at is happening on **Saturday, October 25**. Doors open at 4:30 and dinner is served at 5:00. Please come and enjoy a delicious meal and good conversation with other guests. You are also welcome to volunteer by signing up at www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CABAF28A5FCC70-58344486-october. Come for dinner and bring your friends!

Reconciliation Awareness Highlight

[From the website] *Reconciling: A Lifelong Struggle to Belong* is a new book by Musqueam Chinese Elder Larry Grant in conversation with Vancouver author Scott Steedman. Grant tells the story of his life and shares his perspectives on the future of reconciliation in Canada. In a series to mark the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and the 10-year anniversary of the release of the [94 Calls to Action](#), this excerpt from the book takes readers back to Grant's school days at Vancouver's Lord Strathcona Elementary in the early 1940s. You can read it at theyyee.ca/Culture/2025/09/26/Reconciling-Search-Belong/.

Piano Celebration and Fundraising Concert – Next Week!

Please join us for a special piano celebration and fundraising **concert on Sunday, October 19th at noon**. Featuring St. Paul's musicians and our new piano, this concert is free to attend with donations accepted for the piano fund. Please feel free to bring a bag lunch to enjoy during the concert. The concert will be about one hour in length.

Welcoming Wally and Family

St Paul's wants to start welcoming Rev. Wally and his family. We'd love the family and children in particular to get excited about coming to Canada, Edmonton, and our church. Laura is putting together a card to send to the family, and we want to include pictures and greetings from our congregation. Within the next 2 weeks, please send the office a photo of things that are happening around the church or in the community that could be part of the card to office@stpauls-anglican.ca. We also plan to send them some videos to help them get to know us.

Burning Questions Series

Join us for two fireside conversations at the Youngs' house, 6:30–8:00 pm — **Oct 15: "Your Spiritual Gift is What?!"** and **Oct 22: "Missions: Beyond the Colonial Lens."** The focus is on youth, who will lead the discussion and ask questions of other St. Paul's members—but others are welcome to join if they're young at heart. Contact Ryan or Michelle at **780-983-6858**.

Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter is planned to be held at the Providence Renewal Centre on Nov 7-9. They are currently looking for more registrations or they may have to cancel this event. If you are interested or intrigued, see their website at www.eame.ca. The deadline to register is Oct 20.

Men's Breakfast - Postponed

This Men's Breakfast hopes to bring the males of all ages from St. Paul's and the community together for a time to hangout together for food, fun, and fellowship! There will also be a short, encouraging devotional. Please stay tuned for more information on this event. We are also seeking volunteers to help out for an hour before and/or after the event.

New Lectionary Discussion Group

St. Paul's is excited to extend an open invitation for everyone to join our new group on Zoom, starting in October on **each Wednesday evening at 7:00pm**, where we will read and discuss the coming Sunday's Lectionary readings. This will be an excellent opportunity to grow spiritually and intellectually in the Word of God and experience the Bible in community. The Zoom and Readings links are available at www.stpauls-anglican.ca/events/lectionary-discussion.

Staff Away

Michelle is away throughout October and will not be available for calls or emails. As a result, her regular announcements will be reduced. If you have information for the Community Corner, Mental Health, or Reconciliation Awareness Highlights, email the office@stpauls-anglican.ca

Additionally, Rev. Eric is on vacation between October 6-20. We will be serving reserve sacrament at our Sunday services. For pastoral emergencies during this time, please phone Helen at 780-233-9322.

Synod Scene

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

This Week's Ministry Teams:

Music/Sound/Tech:

Chambers/Chandra/Yohana

Service Team: Green & Friends Team

Prayers of the People: Gay G.

Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: Jim E.

Chapel Prayer: Kjeryn and Joan.

Next Week Teams: October 19th

Music/Sound/Tech: Andrew/John/Jacky

Service Team: Parker Team

Prayers of the People: Nancy W-S.

Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: Paul D.

Chapel Prayer: Wendell and Nora.

Cycle of Prayer for St. Paul's

Cara Roemmich

(Jasper, Keziah, Sebastian, & Callie)

Julian and Joan Daniel

Dudley Baker and Pat Halligan-Baker

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

Diocese of **Toronto**: the Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson, the Rt. Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Suffragan Bishops.

The Rev. David Bennett, president of the Moravian Church Northern Province, and the staff, pastors, and people of **Canadian churches within the Moravian Church in North America**. Buyé Diocese, **Mubanga Parish**: Jean Bosco Nyankimbona, Rector. **Ermineskin Cree Nation**.

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