

ST. PAUL'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, November 16, 2025: 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. (Luke 21:28)



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 by 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: <u>prayer@stpauls-anglican.ca</u> – 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.

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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: Rise and Shine

Arise, there's a new day upon us So come out of the darkness

Stand in the morning light

Take heart, there's a new wind that's blowing

Heaven's gates are wide open

It's time to lift your eyes Oh it's time to lift your eyes

(Chorus) Rise and shine

For the light, the light has come

Jesus Christ, come behold the Risen Son Hold on to hope, shake off your fear Sing like you know freedom is here

Rise and shine

For the light, the light has come

Oh, the light has come, oh

Wake up, it's the dawn of revival

Calling saints and disciples Into the promised land

Sing praise, let it rise from your spirit

So the whole world can hear it Lift up His Holy Name (*To Ch.*)

Oh set your feet to dancing
Open your mouth and praise Him
We made it through the evening
This is the joy of the morning
Hope is alive and breathing
Life has a brand new meaning
We made it through the evening
This is the joy of the morning

This is the joy of the morning This is the joy of the morning

This is the joy of the morning (To 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. 392) Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the

world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Lectionary Reflections

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

Isaiah 65:17-25 (pg. 532 in the red pew Bible)

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

Canticle: Isaiah 12:2-6 (Sung)

Refrain:

You will draw wat - er joy - ful-ly from the springs of sal - va-tion.

Surely, it is God who saves me;

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defence, and he will be my Saviour.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make his deeds known among the peoples;

see that they remember that his name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. **Refrain**

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 (pg. 838 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Proclamation: Alleluia

Alleluia, Allelu

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 Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Gospel Reading: Luke 21:5-19 (pg. 745 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship Through Song

Joy Of The Lord

Though the tears may fall my song will rise

My song will rise to You

Though my heart may fail my song will rise

My song will rise to You

While there's breath in my lungs

I will praise You Lord

In the dead of night I'll lift my eyes

I'll lift my eyes to You

When the waters rise I'll lift my eyes

I'll lift my eyes to You

While there's hope in this heart

I will praise You Lord

(Chorus) The joy of the Lord is my strength The joy of the Lord is my strength

In the darkness I'll dance In the shadows I'll sing

The joy of the Lord is my strength

When I cannot see You with my eyes

Let faith arise to You

When I cannot feel Your hand in mine

Let faith arise to You God of mercy and love I will praise You Lord When sorrow comes my way You are the shield around me

There is strength when I say I will praise You Lord (*To Ch.*)

You shine with glory Lord of light

In Your presence now I come alive

I feel alive with You

I am alive with You

Always You remain, my courage in the fight I hear You call my name, Jesus I am coming Walking on the waves reaching for Your light

(To Ch.)

Lord Of My Life

All of my steps are ordered by You You give every breath that I take And only a kind God gives power to choose So it is my privilege to say

(Chorus) You are the Lord You're the Lord of my life You are the Lord, You're the Lord of my life Iesus Christ

Though I may stumble I will not fall For I am upheld by Your hand And even in trial I'll count it as joy To say it again and again (*To Ch.*)

Every knee will bow, every tongue confess But it's my joy to do it now, Lord Jesus Every eye will see You in Your glory But I get to seek You now, Lord Jesus

And there will be a day tears will be no more The angels & the saints will worship & adore Ill enter Heavens gate forever sing Your Name But I get to sing it now, Lord Jesus

(Tag) Jesus, yes I get to sing it now, Lord Jesus

Come take Your place (King Jesus) (Repeat)

Listening Time

All:

Sermon: Michelle Schurek

(A page for notes is available separately)

Affirmation of Faith: 1 Peter 1:3-9

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

We bless you, God! You raised Your Son Jesus Christ from the dead, and in so doing you gave us a new birth, a life of hope – a gift that is imperishable, perfect and unfading. Our lives are now in your Realm. We trust that, through Him, you save us for your purposes, which you will reveal in your time. Therefore, we are willing to suffer like Christ in practicing our faith, for the sake of praise and glory and honour when Christ is revealed. We have not seen you, but we love you; and we rejoice with indescribable and glorious joy. Alleluia!

Prayers of the People

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: 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: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

All: we have sinned against you and against others, in thought and word and

deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may

serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. 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: Across The Lands

You're the Word of God the Father And exchanged the joy of heaven

From before the world began For the anguish of a cross

Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet With a prayer You fed the hungry Has been fashioned by Your hand With a word You stilled the sea

All creation holds together

Yet how silently You suffered

By the power of Your voice That the guilty may go free (*To Ch.*)

Let the skies declare Your glory

With a shout You rose victorious

Let the land and seas rejoice

With a shout four fosc victorious

Wresting victory from the grave

(Chorus) You're the author of creation And ascended into heaven

You're the Lord of ev'ry man Leading captives in Your wake

And Your cry of love rings out across the land Now You stand before the Father

Interceding for Your own

Yet You left the gaze of angels From each tribe and tongue and nation Came to seek and save the lost You are leading sinners home (*To Ch.*)

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: (pg. 393) Holy God,

in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our All:

offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we

ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(pg.196) The Lord be with you. (Eucharistic Prayer #2) Celebrant:

People: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. People:

All:

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

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.

(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. 197) Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our

Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me." Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church. Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ. All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now & for ever. Amen.

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.

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

Here Is Bread, Here Is Wine

Here is bread, here is wine (Chorus) In this bread there is healing

Christ is with us, He is with us

Break the bread, drink the wine

In this cup there's life forever
In this moment by the Spirit

Christ is with us here Christ is with us here

Here is grace, here is peace

Christ is with us, He is with us

Know His grace, find His peace

Here we are joined in one
Christ is with us, He is with us
We'll proclaim 'til He comes

Feast on Jesus here Jesus crucified (To Ch.)

Jesus Love Me

You knew me at the start (Ch. Cont.) Oh how He loves me

Dreams and reality

And ev'rything in between

This is the life You made
And journeyed with all the way

(Chorus) Jesus loves me Dreams and reality

This I know for sure And ev'rything in between (*To Ch.*)

Living Sacrifice

All on the altar, surrendered again

This is my honor, the gift that I bring
Freely I lay down, my everything

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(Chorus) I will be a living sacrifice

All my heart and soul to glorify

I offer nothing less than all my life

For Jesus Christ

I just want to bless You, whatever it takes

With my mind and my body

My spirit and strength

If You are a fire, then set me ablaze (To Ch.)

I'll give You all, give You all

Of my worship

Fall, fire fall (come consume it)

(Repeat, then to Ch.)

Prayers After Communion

Celebrant: (pg. 393) Gracious God,

All: in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who

have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his

eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. 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: Praise To The Lord The Almighty

Praise to the Lord Praise to the Lord

The Almighty, the King of creation Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee

O my soul praise Him Surely His goodness and mercy

For He is thy health and salvation Here daily attend thee

All ye who hear now to His temple draw near Ponder anew what the Almighty can do

Praise Him in glad adoration If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord Praise to the Lord

Who over all things so wondrously reigneth O let all that is in me adore Him Shelters thee under All that hath life and breath

His wings, ye so gently sustaineth Come now with praises before Him

Hast thou not seen Let the amen

How thy desires ever have been Sound from His people again Granted in what He ordaineth Gladly for all we adore Him.

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Altar Flowers this week are given in thanksgiving for, & the memory of the life of Francis Bosse

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

Children's Ministry at St. Paul's – This Week

We love having children as part of our worship every Sunday, and we are also beginning to offer some dedicated children's programming. Our young people are already actively involved, and we're excited to build on this momentum! There are many ways to take part in Children's Ministry—preparing lessons, helping with crafts, music, or assisting during sessions. If you're interested in supporting this ministry, please join us for a brief meeting after the service on Nov 16 (this week). Comments are welcome this Sunday to Paul D. or Carol R., if necessary.

Banner Great Grape Making Event - This Week

Thanks to everyone who has helped out so far! We will be getting together again this Sunday to make more grapes and stitch them into bunches. See you then! - Abigail and Rosalie

Community Corner Highlights

Our last **Free Community Dinner** for 2025 is coming up on Saturday, November 22. **Please plan to be join us for a delicious meal!** We are looking forward to it. For more information, or to sign up, please email Michelle at michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca or visit www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CABAF28A5FCC70-60290562-november.

**Please note, we do not host a dinner in December.

Honest Advent Book Study – Starts Next Sunday!

Correction: Held in the Hall at 9:00am on the Sundays of Nov 23, Nov 30, Dec 7, and Dec 14

Through the use of words and images in the book *Honest Advent*, we'll meditate on, and explore the question: is Christ's incarnation still happening in our midst? "The Word of God was incarnated through human vulnerability, and we can connect with Jesus through that same human vulnerability." The title of the book is *Honest Advent: Awakening to the Wonder of God-with-Us Then, Here, and Now* written by Scott Erickson.

Windswept's Reign of Christ the King – This Saturday!

St. Paul's and Windswept Worship will celebrate the close of the church year and the **Reign of Christ the King** with a theopoetic worship service exploring the themes of "God Rules From the Wood of the Cross" and "Our Adoption into God's Royal Family". The Eucharistic service will feature the extensive use of original symbols, rituals, art and imagery. The service will be on **Saturday, November 22, starting at 7pm, and will be presided over by Bishop Stephen London.**Due to the interactive installations and low lighting, this service will not be livestreamed.

Focus on Mission – New Blog Post

St Paul's Focus on Mission committee has written a new blog post highlighting the education program in the Rwandan Cyangugu Diocese. Read it at www.stpauls-anglican.ca/blog

Choir for Advent 4

If you're interested in joining the choir for our Advent 4 Lessons and Carols service (Dec 21), please mark your calendars for rehearsal following church on November 23 (next Sunday) and December 7. Please let RJ know in advance so he can print music. Email ri@chambersmusic.ca.

Boomwhackers for Advent 4

RJ is looking for youth to play Boomwhackers on Advent 4 (December 21). If interested, please join him for **rehearsal following church on November 30 and December 14**. Please also let him know if you plan to join so he can work out note assignments. Email <u>rj@chambersmusic.ca</u>.

"Awaken Us" Orchestral Concert

Adele B-M will be participating in the "Awaken Us" Orchestral and Choral Concert from Te Deum Singers to welcome in the Advent season. The concert will be held at the Lendrum Mennonite Church (11212 59 Ave NW) on November 29 & 30. The concert is free and will be accepting donations to cover costs.

Gingerbread Night

St Paul's **Gingerbread Night** is happening **Friday**, **November 28**, **2025** from **6:30-8:00pm**. Our focus will be on building and decorating delightful gingerbread houses! Cost is \$15/gingerbread house kit (Regular or Gluten-Free). You can request a kit by emailing office@stpauls-anglican.ca.

A Romantic Night Of Music

In collaboration with Amorim-Rufino Studio we will be hosting a violin and viola concert. Come and enjoy classical music from the Romantic Period performed by talented young musicians. This is a free gift to the community and a reception with food will follow. It will be at St. Paul's Anglican Church on **November 29th at 4pm**.

Diocesan Communications Survey

As part of the Diocesan strategic plan, the Synod Office is reviewing their communications channels and are looking for more data on how people are engaging with the church beyond their congregation. They have put out a survey to collect data about how you engage with events and information in the Diocese. Survey: https://synodoffice.breezechms.com/form/475aee.

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: Nancy W-S. Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: Jim E. Chapel Prayer: Wendell and Nora.

Next Week Teams: November 23rd

Music/Sound/Tech: Liska/Chandra/Yohana Service Team: HeritageTeam Prayers of the People: Gay G. Vestry-on-Duty/Announcements: David H. Chapel Prayer: Laurier and Terry.

St. Paul's Staff

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Cycle of Prayer for St. Paul's

Jason and Jennifer Spoor John Green Michael Doku

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

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