



ST. PAUL'S

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Connecting people with God and each other

Sunday, July 26, 2026: 9th Sunday After Pentecost

*Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
(John 6:68)*



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
Daily at **9:15pm** on Zoom.
- Sermons are available on our Website
- We also have small groups

Office Hours:

- Tues. 9:30am to 3:30pm
- Office is closed: Wed–Mon (and Holidays)

PRAYER

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

For pastoral emergencies call:
(825) 771-1700

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 ☺

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 by 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.



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.

Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
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Our God, You reign forever
Our Hope, our strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant: 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: *(Collect of the Day...)*

Lectionary Question

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

GENESIS 29:15-28 (pg.21 in the red pew Bible)

Psalm 105:1-11, 45c



Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him,
And speak of all his marvellous works. **Refrain**

Glory in his holy Name;
Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Search for the Lord and his strength;
Continually seek his face. **Refrain**

Remember the marvels he has done,
His wonders and the judgements of his mouth,
O offspring of Abraham his servant,
O children of Jacob his chosen. **Refrain**

He is the Lord our God;
His judgements prevail in all the world.
He has always been mindful of his covenant,
The promise he made for a thousand generations. **Refrain**

The covenant he made with Abraham, the oath that he swore to Isaac,
Which he established as a statute for Jacob, an everlasting covenant for Israel, saying,
"To you will I give the land of Canaan
To be your allotted inheritance." Hallelujah!" **Refrain**

ROMANS 8:26-39-(pg. 800 in the red pew Bible)

Gospel Proclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia!

The Gospel Reading:

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel Reading: MATTHEW 13:31-33, 44-52 (pg. 691 in the red pew Bible)

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship Through Song

Battle Belongs

When all I see is the battle

You see my victory

When all I see is a mountain

You see a mountain moved

And as I walk through the shadow

Your love surrounds me

There's nothing to fear now

For I am safe with You

(Chorus) So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees

With my hands lifted high

O God, the battle belongs to You

And every fear I lay at Your feet

I'll sing through the night

O God, the battle belongs to You

And if You are for me

Who can be against me

For Jesus there's nothing

Impossible for You

When all I see are the ashes

You see the beauty

When all I see is a cross

God You see the empty tomb **(To Chorus)**

Almighty Fortress You go before us

Nothing can stand against

The power of our God

You shine in the shadows

You win every battle

Nothing can stand against

The power of our God **(Repeat)**

His Glory and My Good

I have seen my Father's glory
Revealed in Jesus Christ
And the more that I behold Him
The more He satisfies
When I gaze upon His beauty
When I see Him as I should
Then my eyes are lifted upward
For His glory and my good

There is hope in every trial
For I can trust the Lord
He will turn my heart towards Him
And help me bear the thorn
So in faith I follow Jesus
On the road not understood
For I know that He is working
For His glory and my good

**(Chorus) To our God be the glory
To our God be praise
He alone the name above all names**

**I will boast ever only in the Lord my God
For I know His glory is my good**

See the open arms of Jesus
Upon the cross that day
What they understood as weakness
Deserves my every praise
For the charge that was against me
It was nailed into the wood
Yes I know that He has saved me
For His glory and my good **(To Chorus)**

Would I gladly be made nothing
That Christ would be made more
Would I seek the only kingdom
That far outweighs them all
I will stand before my Father
Where the faithful saints have stood
And with joy my heart shall praise Him
For His glory and my good **(To Chorus)**

Listening Time: *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.*

Sermon: *Rev. Wally Cox*

(A page for notes is available separately)

Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostles' 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

(See BAS pgs. 110-123)

Confession of Sin

Invitation to 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.

Greeting of Peace

The Celebration of the Eucharist

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and power are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side
The man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

**(Chorus) A mighty fortress
A mighty fortress is our God**

**A mighty fortress
A mighty fortress is our God**

And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly powers
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever **(To Chorus)**

The Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: O God,

All: accept our praise and thanksgiving.
Help us in all we do
to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice;
through Jesus Christ the Lord.

Celebrant: 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.

Preface to Holy Communion (Eucharistic Prayer 1)...

Celebrant: Therefore, with them, and with all your saints...
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All: (Sung) Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. Who was, and is, and is to come. Who was, and is, and is to come. Lift up his name with the sound of singing. Lift up his name in all the earth. Lift up your voice and give him glory. For he is worthy to be praised. For he is worthy to be praised. For he is worthy to be praised.

Celebrant: *Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.*

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

(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: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

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

All: 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.

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.

Piano Solo

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within

Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin

Jesus is calling

Have you come to the end of yourself

Do you thirst for a drink from the well

Jesus is calling

(Chorus) O come to the altar

The Father's arms are open wide

Forgiveness was bought with

Isn't he wonderful

Sing alleluia, Christ is risen

Bow down before him

For he is Lord of all

The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes

Come today there's no reason to wait

Jesus is calling

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy

From the ashes a new life is born

Jesus is calling **(To Chorus)**

Oh, what a Savior

Sing alleluia, Christ is risen **(To Chorus)**

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown

Tell the world of the treasure you've found

Lord, I Need You

Are you hurting and broken within

Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin

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Prayers After Communion

Celebrant: God of grace,

All: we have received the memorial
of the death and resurrection of your Son.
May your love, poured into us,
bring us to your promises.
We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

Blessing

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

Congregational Announcements – Gay G.

Build Your Kingdom Here

Come set Your rule and reign

In our hearts again

Increase in us we pray

Unveil why we're made

Come set our hearts ablaze with hope

Like wildfire in our very souls

Holy Spirit come invade us now

We are Your church

We need Your power in us

We seek Your kingdom first

We hunger and we thirst

Refuse to waste our lives

For You're our joy and prize

To see the captives' hearts released

The hurt the sick the poor at peace

We lay down our lives for heaven' cause

We are Your church

We pray revive this earth

(Chorus) Build Your kingdom here

Let the darkness fear

Show Your mighty hand

Heal our streets and land

Set Your church on fire

Win this nation back

Change the atmosphere

Build Your kingdom here we pray

Unleash Your kingdom's power

Reaching the near and far

No force of hell can stop

Your beauty changing hearts

You made us for much more than this

Awake the kingdom seed in us

Fill us with the strength and love of Christ

We are Your church

We are the hope on earth **(To Chorus)**

Dismissal

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

All: Thanks be to God.

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.

Funeral for Lorraine Bednar

Lorraine Bednar has departed to be with the Lord. You are welcome to join us for her funeral held at St. Paul's on Thursday July 30th, at 11am. Please keep her children and family in your prayers.

Emancipation Sunday

Emancipation Sunday is celebrated on the last Sunday in July in the Anglican Church of Canada (July 26 in 2026), as formally designated by the General Synod in June 2025. Emancipation Sunday commemorates the coming into effect of the Slavery Abolition Act on August 1, 1834—Emancipation Day—freeing approximately 800,000 enslaved people in British colonies, including Canada.

<https://www.anglican.ca/resources/emancipation-sunday/>

For more than 180 years, Black communities across Canada have celebrated Emancipation Day with church services, parades, outdoor festivities, protests, speeches, entertainment and more, taking the opportunity for reflection on the struggle for freedom and justice, past and present.

Kids Church on Break over Summer

Our Kids Church ministry is on break over the Summer - giving our teachers a rest and enabling children to be part of the entire Sunday gathering. Children are very welcome throughout the gathering, there is an activity corner at the back and a small playroom for younger children. Kids Church programming will resume mid-September.

Church Office Administration

Our church administrator Hannah will be out of office on holidays from August 4th-11th. If you have an immediate need, please contact office@stpauls-anglican.ca. Otherwise Hannah will respond to any emails as soon as she is back.

All Nations Centre Summer Festival

Every summer, the ANC hosts a festival in the heart of the Central McDougall district. The festival is intended to primarily serve the newcomer and refugee families in this community, but it is open to all community members. The festival hosts hundreds of newcomers every summer - it cannot happen without your help and we are so grateful! Youth groups, small groups, individuals young and young at heart . . . all are welcome.

Event Dates: July 28 & 29, 2026

Event Address: John A. McDougall Elementary School - 10930 107 St. NW Edmonton, AB

For more information, please see our online newsletter.

Ministry Volunteers

Our administrator Hannah will be sending out the fall music and volunteer schedule within the next couple of weeks. If you are currently a volunteer, can you please send Hannah your availability for September-November 2026. Thank you in advance!

If you are currently not a volunteer, but would be interested in starting the process, please reach out as well!

The People of St. Paul's Bulletin Board

Over the summer we will be refreshing "The People of St. Paul's" bulletin board with updated pictures of our church members. If you would like an updated photo displayed or have yet to have a photo posted, please email your selected photo to our administrator at hannah@stpauls-anglican.ca
If you need assistance with taking a photo, our office hours are Tuesday's 9:30am-3:30pm.

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' Team,
John & Jacob

Service Team: Green & Friends Team

Prayers of the People: Nancy W-S

Vestry-on-Duty: Gay G.

Chapel Prayer: Kjeryn & Joan

Kids Sanctuary:

Next Week's Teams: August 02

Music/Sound/Tech: Liska's Team,
Chandra & Jacky

Service Team: Heritage Team

Prayers of the People: Terry B.

Vestry-on-Duty: David H.

Chapel Prayer: Laurier and Terry

Kids Sanctuary:

Cycle of Prayer for St. Paul's

Laurance Hill

Elmo Leander

Frank and Carol Rudat

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Diocese of Brandon: the Rt. Rev. Rachael Parker, Bishop. **St. Augustine Parkland, Spruce Grove:** Kevin Kraglund, Rector; Lesley Hand, Honorary Assistant; Michelle Squance-Slade, Office Administrator. **Buyé Diocese, Murama Parish:** Evariste Nsabimana, Rector. **Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.**

St. Paul's Staff

Rector: [Rev. Wally Cox](#)

Assistant Priest: [Rev. Dr. Eric Kregel](#)

Community Facilitator: [Michelle Schurek](#)

Office Administrator: [Hannah Fortune](#)

St. Paul's Vestry

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Rector's Warden: Paul Dowie

People's Warden: Gay Gering

Parish Treasurer: David Heritage

Vestry Members: Debbie Liska, Jim Egeto,
Ryan Young, Junior Stanley,
& Nancy Whistance-Smith.



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