



St. Paul's News Bulletin

Sept. 6, 2026



Welcome! Please join us after the service for coffee & goodies. If you are a newcomer, please pick up information at the table just outside the sanctuary doors.



Coffee House: Coffee House will be held **Friday, Sept. 11 at 7 p.m.** Come enjoy our own house band, open mic and snacks. This fun event is family friendly.

Blessing of Backpack: Students, bring your backpacks on **Sept. 13** to be blessed. If anyone requires a backpack for financial reasons, please contact the parish office.



Living Waters: The September/October issue deadline is **Wednesday Sept. 16**. Please submit as early as possible to office@stpaulscalgary.ca

Men's Breakfast: The group meets on Saturday, **Sept. 19** at St. Peter's at 8:30 a.m. Men 13+ are invited to join great food and fellowship.

Foundation Bible Class: New to St. Paul's, this class, led by **Prosper Omagoro**, introduces core Christian beliefs from an **Anglican** perspective. It will provide participants with a strong and enduring Christian foundation with a clear, structured, and biblical pathway for growing into a stable and fruitful life in Christ. This **in-person class** will be held at St. Paul's beginning on **Wednesday, Sept. 23**. Please see Prosper or Father Tony for more information.

Thursday Evening Bible Study: The Book of Luke will be studied on Zoom starting Thursday, **Sept. 24 at 7 p.m.** See Michael McLaughlin for details.

Ladies' Luncheon: Ladies' Lunch is at 11:20 a.m. on **Sept. 26**. Judith MacDowell will share about the ministry she shared with her husband, Rev. Garry, in Indigenous communities.

Prayer & Praise: Save the date. A time of prayer and praise will be held on **Sept. 26** from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. led by Father Tony.

Back to Church Sunday: Bring a friend, invite your neighbour to see what St. Paul's is all about for our 10 a.m. service on **Sept. 27**. Invitation cards are available from the sidespeople.



Life in the Spirit: Do you know what your Spiritual Gifts are? Have you used your gifts today. Experience Personal Renewal in the power of the Holy Spirit in a course that runs Friday **Oct. 2** from 7

p.m. to 9 p.m. & Saturday **Oct. 3** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. See more details on posters in the Parish Hall.

Blessing of the Pets: Bring your pets – or a photo of them – to the 10 a.m. service on Sunday **Oct. 4** for them to receive a blessing.



Pledge Cards: Stewardship pledge cards will be available as of **Oct. 4** from the sidespeople. Please prayerfully consider pledging a regular donation to St. Paul's to assist in future planning. Please return cards by **Nov. 8**. You can either leave them on the collection plate (in an envelope) or bring to the parish office. Our theme this year is Plenty Good Room – a reflection on God's abundance and a call to make space for all.

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Outreach

Alongside Hope helps Indigenous Communities



Through our Indigenous Partnership Programme, Alongside Hope supports and accompanies Indigenous communities and organizations. Supporting Indigenous programs is a way to acknowledge historical injustices and work towards meaningful reconciliation.

5th Sundays of the Month are Food for Others Sundays at St. Paul's. Everyone is invited to bring non-perishable food items and leave them in the bin marked Calgary Food Bank. The next Food for Others Sunday is **Nov. 29**.

Inreach: Many in our congregation face financial struggles due to the economy, so a special fund was created. Donations marked "Financial Help for Parishioners" are welcome. If you are in need of financial help or know of someone in our Parish who is (and you have their permission), please let Tony know. Confidentiality will be respected. This is one way we can care for one another in these challenging times.

Pastoral Care

If you'd like to be part of our **Pastoral Care Team**, please contact the Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak to find out more about it.

Chemo Care Bags: If you know of anyone who is beginning Chemo treatment and would benefit from receiving a Chemo Care Bag, please contact the Parish Office.

Prayer Shawl: We meet in person on the first & third Wednesdays of each month at 1 p.m. Contact Laura Anne if you would like to join the group or if you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving a shawl. Everyone is welcome. No experience needed.

Grief Support Group: This is open to anyone who is grieving due to loss, illnesses or other struggles. For more information, please contact Laura Anne or leave your contact information at the Parish Office. Meets on Thursdays at 1 p.m.

Hunger for Healing, a Christian Twelve Step Program, meets Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome. We'd love to have you join us to find out what it is all about and see if it's for you. There is no official leader. We all take part in leading. For more information, please contact the Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak at 403-818-9879.

Check out these opportunities to participate

2026 Flower Chart is on the bulletin board by the kitchen door. Cost: \$30. To make a dedication, fill out the form under the chart or email Chizoba at office@stpaulscalgary.ca.

Prayer Chain Requests: Please contact Dinah Breu with your prayer requests.

Card Ministry: If anyone who is grieving, unwell, or celebrating a birthday or anniversary, and would like a greeting card from the St. Paul's Family, contact Pauline Payne at 403-988-2546 or email her at Pauline_payne1@yahoo.com

We need more volunteers for Sidespeople. Please contact Suzanne Wray or the parish office if interested in serving in this ministry.

We need more volunteers for Soundboard. Please contact Murray Sykes or Paul Bourgeois.

Casserole Ministry: If someone would benefit from receiving a casserole, please **help yourself**. Our freezer for casseroles is now well stocked thanks to parish volunteers. If you would like to contribute a casserole, please label it with what it is, ingredients and the date and put in freezer.

Servers: We are looking for **youth volunteers** to serve during our Sunday services. All youth are welcome to participate! If you are interested, please contact Father Tony or the parish office for more information. Training will be provided.

Sacramental Assistant: Each Sunday at the 10 a.m. service, two people are needed to help at communion by administering the chalices. If you think it is something that might interest you please contact Ed or the Parish Office for more information.

Regular Activities at St. Paul's:

- Sunday:** **Holy Eucharist** 10 a.m.
 Hand Chimes Practice 11:30 –12 p.m. (**Resumes Sept. 13**)
 Word to World Ministries Canada: 2 - 3 p.m.
 Philippines Independent Church (IFI): 4 p.m.
- Monday:** **Walking Group:** 9 a.m. (see the St. Paul's website under Events for locations)
 Girl Guides: 6:30 – 8 p.m.
 St. Paul's Stringers rehearsal: 7:30 p.m.
 Prayer Group - meetings held both in person and online: 1:30 p.m. (2nd Monday of the month **in-person**) 7:30 p.m. (4th Mondays of the month **via Zoom**)
- Tuesday:** **Girl Guides:** 6:30 – 8 p.m.
 Parish Council: 7 p.m. (usually 2nd Tuesday of the month) (**Next meeting Sept. 8**)
- Wednesday:** **Morning Prayer:** 9:30 a.m.
 Morning Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.
 Hunger for Healing: 11:30 a.m. (in the Chapel)
 Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 p.m. (1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month)
 Foundation Bible Class: 7 p.m. in Person. (**Resumes Wednesday, Sept. 23**).
- Thursday:** **Grief Support Group:** (See Laura Anne if you are interested.)
 TOPS (Taking off Pounds Sensibly): 6:00 p.m.
 Choir Practice: 7:30 p.m. If you'd like to join Choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois.
 Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m. via Zoom. (**Resumes Thursday Sept. 24**).
- Friday:** **Hand chimes Practice** 10 - 11 a.m. (**Resumes Sept. 11**)
 Coffee House: 7 p.m. second Friday on alternate months. (**Next date is Sept. 11.**)
- Saturday:** **Ladies Luncheon:** 11:20 am – 4th Saturday each month. (**Next date is Sept. 26.**)
 Men's Breakfast: 8:30 am - (at St. Paul's in Jan, March, May, July, Aug. and Oct. and at St. Peter's Feb, Apr, June, Sept and Nov). (**Next date is Sept. 19 @ St. Peter's.**)



Welcome to newcomers and visitors

St. Paul's welcomes newcomers and invites you to make this your church home. Visitors, please sign our guest book, which is on the standby the sanctuary doors.

We would be most pleased to learn about you and help you learn about us. Please indicate on a pew card, located in racks on the back of the pews, how we can help you feel part of the family.

Please place the card on the offering plate or hand it to one of the clergy or Parish Council members. There are also welcome packages available after the service. We are so glad you were able to join us.

Financial News

Our surplus at the end of July was \$12, 287. Thank you to everyone for helping support our mission financially in these challenging times.



Our Ministries

BAPTISM

If you are interested in Baptism, please contact the parish office. Baptisms are usually during the 10 a.m. Sunday service, but other arrangements are possible. Preparation classes will be required.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmations take place once a year. Please contact the church office if you are interested in Confirmation.

WEDDINGS

If you are planning a wedding at St. Paul's, you must contact the clergy for an interview to set the date and to find out about preparation classes.

ALTAR GUILD: Barb Leinweber

Members of the Altar Guild prepare the church for worship services by setting out and then cleaning up the communion vessels, polishing brass, arranging or setting out flowers, replacing candles, marking Bible and Altar Book places and keeping the linen washed and ironed.

The volunteers work in rotation, which turns out to be about once a month. Set-up can be done Friday or Saturday as suits your schedule. During the Christmas and Easter seasons there are extra shifts, which are covered on a volunteer basis. There are two meetings a year, at which time all members get together to discuss issues, idea, and the future while getting to know each other and keeping aware of the importance of this group.

New members are needed - male or female - as many hands make light work. If interested in this quiet, behind-the-scenes ministry to our community, please contact Barb or the Parish Office at 403-256-1428.

Stewardship Reflections

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." - Ezekiel 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.



Education for Ministry

Looking for a way to deepen your understanding of the Christian faith and enhance the connection between what you believe and how you live your daily life? The Education for Ministry (EfM) program combines independent study and weekly small group discussions to provide a basic grounding in theology to Christian laypeople. The EfM curriculum explores the content and origins of Scripture, follows Church history from its earliest days, and examines issues in Christian theology. Group members engage in individual and group theological reflection throughout their studies to bring our different life experiences and perspectives into conversation with our faith, helping to discern God's call to each of us. EfM is an extension program of an Episcopal theological school; there is a lot to read (including the whole Bible) but there are no exams. Students commit to one year at a time and those completing all four years of the program receive a certificate of completion. For more information on registration or this program, please contact Jennifer Solem at efmcalgary@outlook.com.