

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

First Sunday after the Epiphany

January 8, 2023

10:30 AM

* Stand if you are able **Bold:** Said by all
All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.
Musical Prelude:

CALL TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: (projected)

* Gathering Hymn: "Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers" (#390)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: "He's Callin' My Name" (words & music by Patsy Ford Simms)

* Hymn: "One More Step Along the World I Go" (#641)

Time with Our Young Folk:

(Children & Worship and Youth leave for Sunday School)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination: "Speak, Lord, in the Stillness" (#442)

(sung by the Choir)

Scripture: Isaiah 42:1-9 (Beth Smith)

Hebrews 4:14-16

Matthew 3:11-17

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "WHY BOTHER?"

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: "What Was Your Vow and Vision" (#182)

* Declaration of Faith: Nicene Creed (#578/projected)

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication (#79)

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GUEST MINISTER: Rev. Ian Shaw

ORGANIST: Ian Madge PIANIST: Rebecca Stewart

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Pastoral Prayers

One: Lord, in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) (projected)

SENDING

* Closing Hymn: "Lord, The Light of Your Love is Shining" (#376)

* Benediction: "Go Now in Peace" (#830)

* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul's. May you experience the enlivening presence of God as you gather with God's family to celebrate God's amazing grace. We extend a special welcome to anyone who is worshipping with us for the first time today. Please record your presence by signing the guest register at the back of the sanctuary. Bulletins and headphones are available from our ushers.

Greeter: Des Donovan
A.V. Booth: Scott & Kellie Elliott
Reader: Beth Smith
Tellers: Des Donovan and Jack Nicholls
Ushers: Carol Croucher and Linda Vancso
Lift: Jack Nicholls
Children & Worship: Tracy Rodrigues and Janet Fulton
Youth: Wendy Noll

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Best wishes are extended this coming week to Brian A., Klass D., Cal M., George M., Emma F. (#16!), James L. (#95!), and Susan S.!!!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY TO THURSDAY, 9 AM TO 4 PM

Outside of office hours, please leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Questions or comments, please call 519-426-1845 or email stpaulsinsimcoe@gmail.com

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