

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

24th Sunday After Pentecost

November 20, 2022

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:

* Gathering Hymn: "Ancient of Days" (projected)

Prayer of Praise 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: "O Sing This Anthem, Song Of Praise" (by Jay Althouse)

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: Jeremiah 23:1-6
Psalm 46
Colossians 1:11-20
Luke 23:33-43

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Silent Reflection

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky" (#592)

* **Declaration of Faith: Apostles' Creed** (projected)

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Ian Madge **PIANIST:** Becky Stewart

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication (#79)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Pastoral Prayers

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

SENDING

* Closing Hymn: "There is a Redeemer" (#358)

* Benediction: "May the God of Hope" (#726)

* 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 worshiping 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.

<i>Greeter:</i>	<i>Darrell Thompson</i>
<i>A.V. Booth:</i>	<i>Nancy and Luke Jonker</i>
<i>Reader:</i>	<i>Ruth Anne Carlyle</i>
<i>Tellers:</i>	<i>Keith Main and Jack Nicholls</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Jacklyn Nesbitt and Bill Terry</i>
<i>Elevator:</i>	<i>Ian Macaulay</i>
<i>Children & Worship:</i>	<i>Tracy Rodrigues and Youngmi Kang</i>
<i>Youth:</i>	<i>Wendy Noll</i>
<i>Coffee Hosts:</i>	<i>Carol Baranowski, Wendy Carruth, Carol Foster, Jan Stinson and Grace McConnell</i>



SPECIAL THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

There are several dear members of our congregation who are not always able to worship here with us at St. Paul's. Please keep Paul F., Julia T. and Helen's loved ones in your prayers.

ST. PAUL'S: "A witness in Norfolk to the transforming love of Jesus"

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, November 20, 2022**ST. PAUL'S – WEEK of November 20 to 27, 2022**

22	Tuesday	A.S.A.P. (Always Say A Prayer)	10:00 AM
		St. Paul's Court	6:30 PM
23	Wednesday	TOPS	9:00 - 11:00 AM
		Bible Study	1:00 - 2:30 PM
		Youth	7:00 - 8:30 PM
24	Thursday	Sr. Choir Practice	7:30 PM
25	Friday	Movie Night	7 – 9 PM
27	Sunday	COMMUNION AND ADVENT I	10:30 AM

BARBER: Sincere condolences are extended from St. Paul's to the family and friends of Helen Barber, who passed away in her 97th year on November 14, 2022. Obituary at [Ferris Funeral Home](#).

FINANCIAL NEWS UPDATE: CURRENT TO NOVEMBER 14, 2022

Thanks to all who were able to respond to our Thanksgiving financial appeal. St. Paul's current fund for day-to-day costs is in much better shape than it was two months ago. Through November 13, your current fund donations are \$158,400. The average of the last three years was \$145,200. This is wonderful news. The not-as-good news is that we have still spent about \$12,750 more than we have received. So, thank you, and as you are able, a regular schedule of donations helps to avoid "emergencies". Reminder: Your interim statement to October 31, 2022 is in your mail box.

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER – MISSION COMMITTEE: Running now to **Wednesday, November 23; orders placed Thursday, November 24.** Shop at [Purdy's Chocolate Orders 2022](#). Physical catalogues, order forms and more information in the Library. Online orders and paper orders accepted. Our campaign is #64823. Delivery on December 11th.

WASS UP SINGLES GROUP OUTING: Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 1:00 PM
Simcoe Talbot Gardens Arena, 10 Talbot St. N., Multi-purpose Room
Community Safety Tips: Fraud, scams etc. (*Elevators are available)

MISSION COMMITTEE: Running now to Sunday, December 4, 2022
"Mittens for Mission Life Line" (formerly known as the "Mitten Tree") Collection has begun! Items needed include mittens, hats and wool socks. This year, donations will be shared within our local community.

THISTLE CLUB'S CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK: Saturday, November 19th
Starts at 10:00 AM and runs until we are "sold out" (12 noon or so?)

In place of the traditional Christmas Bazaar, the Thistle Club will be offering a Christmas Cookie Walk. We need your help - we are asking for donations of the following items:

- homemade Christmas Cookies and other homemade baked goods; please donate your favourite treat and come to purchase someone else's favourite treat!
- gently used books for our used book table
- your time – we need helpers for the day of the sale to help shoppers

Donations may be dropped off to the church on Friday, November 18 between 1 and 5 PM and 7 and 9 PM. There will be a few other opportunities to purchase Christmas items such as knitted goods and hand-crafted jewellery, maybe even a cup of tea or coffee. Thanks!

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR QUETZAL FAMILY HOMES: STARTS NOV. 20

There are currently several children living at Quetzal for whom their mothers cannot provide a Christmas. Information cards about the children will be available in the Welcome Lobby this week. Please note that gifts are to be returned (unwrapped) by December 11.

MOVIE NIGHT ST. PAUL'S LIBRARY: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25 AT 7 PM

Join us for the movie "Gifted", some popcorn, fellowship and popcorn! Use this link to find out more about the movie "[Gifted](#)".

SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE: From November 27 to December 11

At Christmas, The Salvation Army distributes hundreds of food boxes to needy families. St. Paul's has always helped to fill their boxes with food. Your donated items may be dropped off to the Welcome Lobby at the church. Suggestions included: cereals and jams, pancake mix and syrup, condiments (ketchup, BBQ sauce), "Sidekicks" pasta, Christmas treats, chocolates and candies, canned pasta, soups and stews, crackers and salad dressing.

PHOTO DAY (Youth Room): Sunday, December 4 - 10:00 to 10:25 AM

For new folks and anyone who would like to update their photo from the 2017 Directory. Please let the office know if you are planning to stop by so that the Youth will be ready for you!

LUNCH BUNCH: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022 at 12:30 PM

Join us at the Cove Room, Port Dover for our Lunch Bunch event. Please confirm your attendance to Peggy McArthur either by email at pmca@eastlink.ca or telephone at 519-426-7796 (confirmation of your attendance by December 4th, please). Alternatively, catch Peggy at church Sunday. Volunteers needed to help organize future lunches.

FRIENDSHIP IN FAITH IS HOSTING A CHRISTMAS CAROL SING SONG WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH FROM 6:45 TO 8 PM AT ST. PAUL'S

We will sing some of our favourite Christmas carols together and then enjoy one another's company with a drink and a treat! Everyone from the congregation is invited to join us. Please come and bring family and friends. You may also bring a musical instrument to accompany our pianist, Youngmi. If you would like to sing a solo or help with the refreshments, please let Linda Shaw know.

YOUTH SPORTS ACTIVITIES: Starting December 7th from 7 to 8 PM
First Wednesday of the month, First Baptist Church, 129 Young Street
The cost to use the gym facilities is \$25 an hour [so \$25 per month] so please encourage our youth to attend! Also, bring your basketball(s) AND it's requested students wear 'INDOOR SHOES' with WHITE SOLES.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Best wishes are extended this coming week to:

Dave P., Louis I., Arlene P. (Happy 85th!!!), Kyoungsoo H., Jim J., and 🧡 Paige J. and Izzy P. (Happy 19th!!!) 🧡

REMINDERS and UPDATES

A.S.A.P. PRAYER GROUP [Always Say a Prayer] Tuesdays 10 – 11 AM

Join us for an hour of reverent prayer, as we corporately lift our requests to God. **VISION:** to awaken and rise-up an army of Spirit-led prayer warriors and to advance the Kingdom of God in the earth.

PRAYER BOX: IN WELCOME FOYER, ON THE GLASS-TOP SIDEBORD

For the A.S.A.P. Prayer Group – please note your prayer requests and drop into the “God Box”. The A.S.A.P. Prayer Group will include your request in their prayer meetings.

NEWS 'N VIEWS – DUE NOVEMBER 20th – TODAY: *Please have your articles for the Christmas Edition to the office by the end of the day.*

HEBREWS BIBLE STUDY: Running now until November 23rd

Wednesdays 1:00 - 2:30 PM Join Rachelle Van Ryssen for this Bible Study of Hebrews. Companion workbooks provided (see Library table).

THE A/V TEAM WONDERS IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER????

If you would like to join in with the service on Sunday, the A/V team is looking for you! Please contact Linda at 426-3212 or the church office for more information.

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERTS: December 1, 2 & 3

“Hope and Reflections” Sing-A-Long Concerts with your favourite Christmas Songs will be presented in Cambridge, Hamilton and Woodstock. Please see the bulletin board for details. Tickets \$25.

ST. PAUL'S YOUTH GROUP: “Community Warm Up” in January 2023

The Youth need your donations of used mittens, toques, and scarves for their outreach. If you can donate, please contact Wendy.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

MAIL & BULLETIN BOARDS: Check for correspondence in your mailbox and also for community info posted on the bulletin boards.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES: The office shares birthday/anniversary information that they have on file. If you would like, you may contact the office to update your information and/or to provide direction regarding authorization for posting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our regular programs (Children in Worship and Youth) are underway for the Fall session. See you there! Bring a friend!

COFFEE HOUR: Please consider signing up to help one Sunday. The sign-up sheet is on the Library information table. Contact the office if you have any questions.

NAME TAGS: All members are encouraged to wear their name tags – this will be helpful to identify new faces. If you would like a name tag, please contact the office.

E-TRANSFERS: St. Paul's can receive donations/offerings via e-transfer. E-transfers will use the email, stpaulsinsimcoe@gmail.com. To ensure your offerings are directed as you wish, i.e., to Current fund or other, please include this specific information when making the e-transfer.

PRE-AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE: Remember that our PAR Program is available to help make your offering more convenient. If you would like more information about PAR, or to enroll in this pre-authorized monthly giving plan, please contact the church office for assistance.

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