



ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
A National Historic Site: Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Sunday Service – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20th, 2026. 11 am

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S

*We are so glad that you've come to worship the Lord with us today, and we hope that you will experience the presence of Christ among us. In the pew are the following tools for participation in this service. The blue "**Book of Praise**" contains our hymns, the red "**Book of Psalms**" contains the responsive psalms, and the blue "**New English Bible**" contains the scripture passages. If an item has an asterisk (*), then please stand if you are able. **Large print Hymnals** are available in the back of the Sanctuary. An usher would be happy to help you. All are welcome to join us for Coffee hour in St. Andrew's Hall, immediately following the service today.*

WE COME TOGETHER BEFORE GOD

Prelude "Jesu, Meines Herzens Lied" J.G. Walther

*Call to Worship

*Hymn 440 "For all the love"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness Gloria Patri

WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Reader: Branden Moffat

*Responsive Psalm 34, ref. I

1 Kings 8: 22-30 (page 385, OT)

Matthew 6: 7-15 (page 9, NT)

*Hymn 451 "Dear Father, Lord of humankind"

Anthem "Come, Holy Light, Guide Divine" G.F. Handel

Sermon "A Close Look at The Lord's Prayer"

Rev. Dr. James Dickey

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

*Hymn 699 "All the way my Saviour leads me"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 Book of Praise

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Voluntary in D" Basil Hardwood

*The Doxology 830 Book of Praise

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn 468 "Lord, dismiss us with your blessing"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "Fughetta in E Minor" Josef Rheinberger

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. Paul's is situated on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. All peoples have been invited into this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship and respect. We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Land acknowledgments are essential as we move forward on a path to reconciliation and are guided by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action.

AN INCLUSIVE & AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

The church is called to be a welcoming, nurturing, loving and supportive community—a true church family. As affirmed by the 2021 General Assembly, all people whatever their sexual orientation or gender identity are equally beloved by God. The Session of St. Paul's endorses these truths and will strive to create a church where all people are included and affirmed.

PLEASE NOTE: GALLERY SEATING IS CLOSED

For insurance reasons, the gallery seating around the top of the sanctuary is not open to the public. Only the individual who is coordinating the live stream will be in the gallery. We invite you to join us in the pews on the main floor of the Sanctuary as you worship with us today. Thank you.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



An automated external defibrillator is available in the hallway outside the main office.

ST. PAUL'S VISION



St. Paul's Presbyterian Church is a Christian community in downtown Hamilton, embodying Jesus' acceptance and love of all people and supporting the growth of God's people in faith and service.

ST. PAUL'S TEAM

Guest Minister:	Rev. Dr. James Dickey
Interim Moderator:	Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis
Clerk of Session:	Jer Dubash
Director of Music:	Blair Havers
Chimer:	Branden Moffat
Custodian:	Ruparain Sydney
Office Administrator:	Gordon Swenor
Today's Ushers:	Annette Sydney, Heather Pirie

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you Rev. James Dickey –

Jim is a much-beloved former Minister of St. Paul's as well as a long-time editor of the Presbyterian Record. We are deeply thankful that Jim attends worship here regularly and, on this occasion, is willing to lead our worship. Jim is known for his excellent preaching, tender pastoral heart, and quick wit.

MISSION MOMENT

Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing bring hope and transformation to vulnerable people and communities in Canada and internationally. Together, we support the PCC's efforts of confession, truth and reconciliation with Indigenous people. We equip congregations and leaders through resources and webinars and connect Presbyterians across the country through the Presbyterian Connection newspaper. We equip ministers through PCC theological colleges and help congregations discern God's call and create a plan for their future through renewal programs. We live out the biblical call to seek justice, love kindness and walk humbly with God. Together, we are making mission and ministry happen!



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, September 20th

11:00am: Sunday Service

4:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic in Centennial Hall

Monday, September 21st

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

7:30pm: Scottish Country Dancing in St. Andrew's Hall

Tuesday, September 22nd

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Wednesday, September 23rd

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Books for Bus Tickets Fundraiser –

Our Books for Bus Tickets fundraiser will continue through 2026 thanks to Ida. Donated books from your own personal collections are welcomed and appreciated, please leave books near the book table. Please visit the book table in St. Andrew's Hall to view the entire collection. Thank you for your generosity and support!