



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

Sunday Service – Palm Sunday & Holy Communion

March 29th, 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 "The Royal Banners Forward Go" Wilbur Held

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 214 "All glory, laud and honour"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Reader: Trish Haycock

*Responsive Psalm 118 ref. I, v. 1-2, 19-29

Matthew 21: 1-11 (page 29, NT)

*Hymn 218 "Hosanna, loud hosanna"

Anthem "Hosanna to the Son of David" A. Hutchinson

Sermon "Riding from Trauma to Triumph"

Rev. Dr. Nancy Calvert-Koyzis

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "He Shall Feed His Flock" G. F. Handel

Duet: Caren Donahoe & Beth McJannett

*The Doxology 830 *Book of Praise*

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 217 "Ride on, ride on in majesty"

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Confession of Faith: the Apostle's Creed 539 *Book of Praise*

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 564 *Book of Praise*

(With intercessions added, sung response, & sung Lord's Prayer)

The Breaking of Bread and the Holy Communion

(The inner circle contains juice cups. The outer ring has wine.)

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn 220 "My song is love unknown"

Benediction

Choral Response 206 *Book of Praise*

Motet "Praise to Thee, Lord Jesus" H. Schutz

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. Nancy Calvert-Koyzis
Clerk of Session:	Jer Dubash
Director of Music:	Blair Havers
Chimer:	Branden Moffat
Custodian:	Ruparain Sydney
Office Administrator:	Gordon Swenor (Interim)
Today's Ushers:	Judith Flaherty Annette Sydney

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Rev. Dr. Nancy Calvert-Koyzis –

St. Paul's is pleased to welcome the Rev. Dr. Nancy Calvert-Koyzis to the pulpit this morning. Dr. Calvert-Koyzis is a graduate of Wheaton University, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, and the University of Sheffield, England, where she graduated with a Ph. D. in New Testament studies. Dr. Calvert-Koyzis has taught at several universities and has published scholarly articles in many academic books and journals. More recently Dr. Calvert-Koyzis has been a Spiritual Care Psychotherapy Resident at St. Joseph's Healthcare in Hamilton. Dr. Calvert-Koyzis is currently a Minister in Association at MacNab Street Presbyterian Church.

Mark and Donna are in England and Scotland for a visit with their son, Samuel, in Edinburgh, and are looking forward to having their daughter, Anna, and granddaughter, Sybil, travel from Amsterdam to visit them while they are in Edinburgh. Mark will be back for Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Easter Lilies –

If you would like to have a lily placed in the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5 in memory of loved ones, please use the donation envelope available for pick-up on the piano. The envelopes will be available until March 29. You can place them on the offering plate or return them directly to the office.

You will be able to take your lily home following the service on April 5.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, March 29th

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

4:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

Monday, March 30th

Church office is OPEN

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

Tuesday, March 31st

Church office is OPEN

Wednesday, April 1st

Church office is OPEN

Friday, April 2nd

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

Refugee Committee Update –

Sandu and her family have been working hard to adjust to life in Canada. Sandu has begun ESL classes and is learning digital literacy while working with a settlement worker from the YWCA. The family is working with Urban Core to ensure their medical needs are met, and they've been attending Christian Orthodox Eritrean Church where they've made new friends. The children miss their friends from home but Sandu and support workers are helping the children adapt to school and life in Canada.

Books for Bus Tickets Fundraiser –

Our Books for Bus Tickets fundraiser will continue through 2026 thanks to Ida. Please visit the book table in St. Andrew's Hall to view the entire collection. Thank you for your generosity and support!