



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

Sunday Service – Easter III
May 4th, 2025. 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 "Awake, My heart, With Gladness" Paul Manz

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 433 "All creatures of our God and King"

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 148 ref. II

Revelations 5:11-14 (page 321, NT)

John 21:1-19 (page 141, NT)

*Hymn 375 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Anthem "The Strife is O'er" H. G. Ley

Sermon "Easter Categories and Compartments"

Rev. Dr. Kristine O'Brien

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

*Hymn 767 "Lord, speak to me"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 *Book of Praise*

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Christ Lag in Todesbanden" G. P. Telemann

*The Doxology 830 *Book of Praise*

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn 626 "Lord of all power"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "The Strife is O'er" H. Willan

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

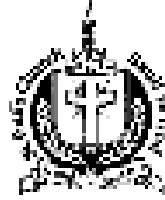
For insurance reasons, the gallery seating around the top of the sanctuary is not open to the public. Only the individual who is coordinating the live stream will be in the gallery. We invite you to join us in the pews on the main floor of the Sanctuary as you worship with us today. Thank you.

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

Interim Moderator:	Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis
Guest Minister:	Rev. Dr. Kristine O'Brien
Clerk of Session:	Jer Dubash
Director of Music:	Blair Havers
Chimer:	Branden Moffat
Custodian:	Ruparain Sydney
Office Administrator:	Lydia Ekodeu
Today's Ushers:	Heather Pirie, North Aisle Trish Haycock, South Aisle

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Guest Minister Rev. Dr. Kristine O'Brien –

Welcome to our Guest Minister, Rev. Dr. Kristine O'Brien! Kristine O'Brien (she/her) began work at Crieff Hills in the fall of 2018 and moved on site with her family in 2019. She is passionate about good food, practicing kindness, and the need for everyone to live a healthy rhythm of work and rest. After more than twenty years in ordained ministry with the Presbyterian Church in Canada, she completed a Doctor of Ministry Degree with a focus on justice, preaching and hospitality. She is an avid gardener and amateur forager who is also learning the art and skill of farming. Kristine preaches regularly in Ontario churches and is available for speaking and teaching engagements. Kristine is active in the local community and is a member of the Puslinch Heritage Advisory Committee. She shares her life with her husband Pat, who is a funeral director, her four grown children and two cats, Soup and Sandwich. When she's not working, you can find her at home baking pie and fresh biscuits. Kristine has preached at St. Paul's before, and we are thankful to have her with us again.



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, May 4th

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

6:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

Monday, May 5th

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

7:30pm: Scottish Dance

Tuesday, May 6th

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Wednesday, May 7th

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Friday, May 9th

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

Saturday, May 10th

10:00am: Choir Rehearsal

Mark Lewis Away –

Rev. Mark is in Amsterdam and London to celebrate Easter and the first birthday of his granddaughter Sybil with his family. Mark will return to St. Paul's on Sunday, May 11th.

Special Meeting on Sunday, May 11th –

The congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, is called to meet in a special meeting on Sunday, May 11, for the sole purpose of approving an updated Trust Deed. A Trust Deed is the document which establishes the legal basis for the existence of a congregation. The Trust Deed for St. Paul's has not been updated since 1833. This meeting would only take a few minutes.