

#### ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A National Historic Site: Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

# Sunday Service- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Easter April 28, 2024. 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 "Blessed Jesus, We Are Here" J. S. Bach

\*Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn 482 "Christ is made the sure foundation"

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 119: 105-112, ref. I

1 John **4: 7-12** (page **308**, NT) John **15: 1-8** (page **133**, NT)

\*Hymn 209 "O Love that wilt not let me go"

Anthem "Jesus is Our Joy, Our Treasure" Anon.
Sermon "God's Light Shines in You"

Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

\*Hymn **817** "O splendour of God's glory bright"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 Book of Praise

**Announcements** 

The Offering

Offertory "Lied" Gordon Young

\*The Doxology 830 Book of Praise

**Prayer of Dedication** 

# WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

\*Hymn 371 "Love divine, all loves excelling"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude "Gigue" Gordon Young

#### 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

Clerk of Session: Jer Dubash

Director of Music: Blair Havers

Chimer: Branden Moffat

Custodian: Ruparain Sydney

Office Administrator: Natanya Hill

Today's Ushers: Archie McQueen, North Aisle

Trish Haycock, South Aisle

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Ecumenical Refugee Committee** – We are seeking a volunteer to represent St. Paul's in the Ecumenical Refugee Committee. Please contact Jer or Mark if you are interested.

# MISSION MOMENT

April 28, 2024

The Reformed Parish in Csap/Chop, a congregation of the Reformed Church in Transcarpathia in western Ukraine, has been providing temporary shelter and food for people displaced by the war. Their social kitchen program includes hot food delivery to elderly congregation members who live alone and are unable to cook for themselves.





#### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

# Sunday, April 28

11:00am: Sunday Service 12:00pm: Coffee Hour

2:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic Workshop in St. Andrew's Hall

6:oopm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic in Centennial Hall

# Monday, April 29

7:30pm: Scottish Country Dance Group

# Tuesday, April 30

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

### Wednesday, May 1

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

# Thursday, May 2

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

5:00pm: Alamal Learning Centre in Upper classrooms & Chapel

## Friday, May 3

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall