



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

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## Sunday Service – Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 "Aria" G.F. Handel

\*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: Trish Haycock

\*Responsive Psalm **31**, ref. II, v. **1-13**

Exodus **33: 7-11** (page **98**, OT)

John **14: 1-14** (page **132**, NT)

\*Hymn **676** "Jesus, lover of my soul"

Anthem "Jesus is our Joy, our Treasure"

Sermon "You Have Already Seen God" Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

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

\*Hymn **749** "Be still, my soul"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer **831** *Book of Praise*

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Interlude for Strings" G. Murray

\*The Doxology **830** *Book of Praise*

Prayer of Dedication

### WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

\*Hymn **500** "Open my eyes, that I may see"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "Fantasia in C Major" J.S. Bach

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## 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.

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## 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:	Gordon Swenor (Interim)
Today's Ushers:	Annette Sydney Judith Flaherty

## ST. PAUL'S CONTACT INFO

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements this week!

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## MISSION MOMENT

*May 3, 2026*

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, the Presbytery of Assiniboia's Messy Church meets eight times a year across three congregations: First (Regina), Trinity (Grenfell), and Knox (Weyburn). Coordinated by the synod's Youth Coordinator, the Rev. Devon Pattemore, each session features crafts, a themed story, worship, and a shared meal. Designed to engage families unable to attend Sunday worship, it has revitalized struggling congregations, built confidence, and drawn both church members and local families. In some locations, attendance now surpasses traditional services. Messy Church offers flexible, informal faith formation, strengthens community connections, and provides a creative, welcoming space for intergenerational ministry.



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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

### Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

4:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

### Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

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

### Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

### Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

### Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

6:00pm: Private Rental (Wedding Rehearsal)

### Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>

3:00pm: Private Rental (Wedding Ceremony)

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### 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!