



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

## *Carol Service*

**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**December 18, 2022. 11 am**

### **WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S**

*Please stand, as you are able, with the choir for all \*Hymns, and remain seated for all Carols.*

### **WE COME TOGETHER BEFORE GOD**

Prelude "Carol Settings" Paul Manz

Call to Worship

Carol "Adam Lay YBounden" Boris Ord

Welcome

\*Hymn 133 "Go tell it on the mountain"

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness Gloria Patri

### **THE JOURNEY BEGINS**

Isaiah 40:1-11 Reader: Pamela Gardner

Lighting the 4<sup>th</sup> Advent candle "Love" Insert

Carol "He smiles within his cradle" arr. by James Martindale

\*Hymn 134 "Lord, you were rich"

### **EVERY VALLEY SHALL BE LIFTED UP**

Luke 2:1-7 Reader: Trish Haycock

Carol "All this Time" William Walton

\*Hymn 139 "Hark! The herald angels sing"

### **EVERY MOUNTAIN SHALL BE MADE LOW**

Luke 2:8-20 Reader: Mimi Fox

Carols "Nativity Carol" John Rutter

"Gabriel's Message" arr. by Edgar Pettman

\*Hymn 138 "While shepherds watched"

### **WE NEVER LOSE SIGHT OF THE PROMISE**

Revelation 21:1-7 Reader: Philippe Laurent

Carol: "Sans Day Carol" Cornish Trad. arr. by John Rutter

\*Hymn 153 "Joy to the world"

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

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer, sung

Announcements

The Offering

Carol "Sir Christémas" William Mathias

The Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

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

\*Hymn 141 "Good Christians, all rejoice"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude "Good Christians, all rejoice" Wilbur Held

## 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.

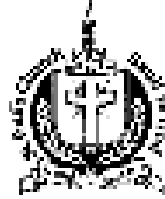
## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



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

Minister (Interim):	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 Murray McDowall, South Aisle

## ST. PAUL'S CONTACT INFO

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

### Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

11:00am: The Fourth Sunday Service of Advent

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

6:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic in St. Andrew's Hall

### Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

7:30pm: Scottish Dance Group in St. Andrew's Hall

### Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

5:30pm: Rental in Centennial Hall

### Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

11:00pm: Christmas Eve Service

### Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

*Merry Christmas!* There will NOT be a Sunday service today.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holiday Services at St. Paul's –

- Christmas Eve Service will be Saturday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> at 11pm.
- Christmas Day Sunday- THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE.
- New Year's Day- Sunday Service at 11am.

### Choir Rehearsals –

There will be no choir rehearsals on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Choir will resume as usual on January 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

### The church office will be closed for the Holidays –

The St. Paul's office will be closed from December 27<sup>th</sup>- January 4<sup>th</sup>, while Natanya visits her family in Virginia. If you have an emergency and need to speak with someone during this time, please contact Mark Lewis or Jer Dubash. Any non-urgent phone

messages or emails will be responded to during temporary office hours on January 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>.

### 2023 Giving Envelopes are ready for pick-up –

If your envelope number is between 1 & 50, please pick up your boxed set from the front pew by the piano today. If you do not find your name and would like to obtain an envelope number and set, please email Natanya at [info@stpaulshamilton.ca](mailto:info@stpaulshamilton.ca). You can expect a response in early January. Thanks!

### Cheques made payable to St. Paul's Presbyterian Church -

Please note that cheques donated to the church need to be made payable exactly to: "St. Paul's Presbyterian Church." The bank is no longer accepting shortened versions of the name. Thank you!

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## MISSION MOMENTS

Through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, Cyclical PCC supports many important outreach ministries in Canada. One such ministry is the Presbytery of Montreal's Communauté Rivière des Prairies, a new worshipping community in the city's east end. Rivière des Prairies embraces multilingualism in their church services and children's programming, providing an open and welcoming space for newcomers to Canada. Over five different languages and dialects are used by the ministry to connect with newcomers, both in the church family and in the wider community.

