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

Sunday Service – Reign of Christ Sunday
November 22nd, 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 "Jesus Christ, My Sure Defence" J. G. Walther

*Call to Worship

*Hymn **490** v. **1-3,5** "God of grace and God of glory"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness Gloria Patri

WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Reader: Joel Swenor

*Responsive Psalm **100**, ref. **I**

Ezekiel **34: 11-16** (page **1049**, OT)

Matthew **25: 31-40** (page **36**, NT)

*Hymn **350** "To God be the glory"

Anthem "King of Glory, King of Peace" J.S. Bach

Sermon "Good News to the Poor or Deportation to the Poor?"
Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

*Hymn **760** "Where cross the crowded ways of life"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Andante Espressivo" G. Oldroyd

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

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn **765** "We've a story to tell the nations"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "Dialogue" F. Couperin

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:	Gordon Swenor
Today's Ushers:	Annette Sydney, Trish Haycock

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seeking volunteers! –
The Hospitality and Greeting Committee is looking for volunteers to support Coffee Hour with set-up and serving. The sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board outside the office and there are lots of spaces available. If you have any questions please reach out to Trish Haycock.

MISSION MOMENT

"Twenty-year-old Dipmala Kumari from Bihar, India, was forced to leave school when her family could not afford further studies and community attitudes discouraged girls' education. Her future changed when Karuna Project staff recognized her potential and helped her restart her education. With their encouragement, Dipmala enrolled in a Bachelor of Arts program, received coaching for competitive exams and completed computer training. When the Bihar Police recruitment opened, the project helped her prepare and apply. Because of the support, Dipmala is now attending police training, preparing to provide security support during local elections. Proudly supporting her family, she also plans to fund the education of two girls, giving back the support she received. The Karuna project is an initiative of the Duncan Hospital, supported by PWS&D."



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, November 22nd
11:00am: Sunday Service
12:00pm: Coffee Hour in St. Andrew's Hall
4:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic in Centennial Hall
Monday, November 23rd
9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN
7:30pm: Scottish Country Dancing in St. Andrew's Hall
Tuesday, November 24th
9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN
7:00pm: Session Meeting
Wednesday, November 25th
9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Books for Bus Tickets Fundraiser –
Our Books for Bus Tickets fundraiser will continue into the fall thanks to Ida. Donated books from your own personal collections are welcomed and appreciated, please leave books near the book table. Please visit the book table in St. Andrew's Hall to view the entire collection. Thank you for your generosity and support!