



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

**Sunday Service – Easter IV/Mother's Day**  
**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 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 "In Green Pastures" H. Darke

\*Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn **248** "At the dawning of salvation"

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 **23** ref. I

Revelation **7:9-17** (page **323**, NT)

John **10:22-30** (page **126**, NT)

\*Hymn **681** "We have heard a joyful sound"

Anthem "Now Glad of Heart" German Carol

Sermon "Rolling Away the Stone of Fear"

Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

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

\*Hymn **485** "Saviour, like a shepherd lead us"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Andante" Chase Stephens

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

Prayer of Dedication

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

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

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "Trumpet Tune in D" G. P. Telemann

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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.

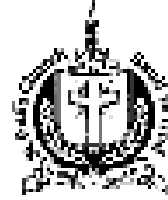
## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



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:	Lydia Ekodeu
Today's Ushers:	Trish Haycock, North Aisle Annette Sydney, South Aisle

## ST. PAUL'S CONTACT INFO

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Special Meeting Today –**

The congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, is called to meet in a special meeting after service today, 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.

### **Books for Bus Tickets Fundraiser –**

Throughout this summer we will be hosting a fundraiser to raise money for our community care fund! Through this fund, we provide our neighbours with assistance accessing their basic needs, including through the distribution of bus tickets. In recent months we have been seeing an increase in requests for bus tickets, with many new faces coming by regularly. Books will be sold for \$1-\$3 per book, and a table will be available in St. Andrew's Hall each Sunday with the picks of the week.

If you would like to browse our full collection yourself, please visit Centennial Hall on Sundays or contact Lydia at the office to set up a time during the week.

Each \$2.80 raised provides one of our neighbours with an opportunity to access a basic need, including food banks, medical appointments, and job opportunities.

Thank you for your participation in this fundraiser! We look forward to being able to better support our neighbours.

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

### **Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

Mother's Day

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

6:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

### **Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

*9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN*

### **Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

*9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN*

### **Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**

*9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN*

### **Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

### **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

10:00am: Choir Rehearsal

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