



ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A National Historic Site: Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

Sunday Service – Baptism of the Lord

January 11th, 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 "To Jordan Came our Lord" D. Buxtehude

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 115 "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Reader:

Debbie Bruce

*Responsive Psalm 29, ref. I

Isaiah 42: 1-9

(page 865, OT)

Matthew 3: 13-17

(page 5, NT)

*Hymn 183 "Christ, when for us you were baptized"

Anthem "My Dancing Day" Oxford Book of Carols

Sermon "Resetting When You Are Unsure"

Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

*Hymn 319 "Wherever I may wander"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 Book of Praise

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Provencal Melody" A. Boëly

*The Doxology 830 Book of Praise

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn 180 "How brightly beams the morning star"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "How Brightly Beams the Morning Star"

A. Armsdorf

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 (Interim)
Today's Ushers:	Annette Sydney Heather Pirie

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour –

Thank you to those who have volunteered to help with coffee hour. We're still seeking volunteers to run coffee hour. If you're interested in lending a hand there is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board next to the calendar.

2026 Offering Envelopes –

Offering envelopes for 2026 are available to be picked up in the pews at the front of the sanctuary near the piano. Please take the box that is labelled with your name and envelope number.

If you don't see your name on any of the envelope boxes but are interested in receiving a box of offering envelopes, please reach out to Gordon in the office.



THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, January 11th

11:00am: Sunday Service
12:00pm: Coffee Hour
4:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

Monday, January 12th

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

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

Tuesday, January 13th

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

Wednesday, January 14th

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

Friday, January 16th

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

Refugee Committee Update –

Thanks to your help St. Paul's was able to provide all of the listed donations items that were requested by Sandu and her family. Please reach out to Ida deJong with any questions you may have regarding Sandu's family and their arrival.

Books for Bus Tickets Fundraiser –

Our Books for Bus Tickets fundraiser will continue into the new-year. Please visit the book table in St. Andrew's Hall to view the entire collection. Thank you for your generosity and support!