



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

2nd Sunday After Epiphany

Sunday Service

January 14, 2024. 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 290 "Immortal, Invisible, God only wise"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

*Responsive Psalm 122, ref I Reader: Branden Moffat

1 Samuel 3: 1-11 (page 305, OT)

John 1: 43-51 (page 112, NT)

*Hymn 23 "I waited for the Lord my God"

Anthem "My Dancing Day" trad. carol, Oxford Book of Carols

Sermon "Can You See the Angels?"

Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

*Hymn 644 "May the mind of Christ my Saviour"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 *Book of Praise*

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory "Andante in D Minor" G. Murray

*The Doxology 830 *Book of Praise*

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

*Hymn 177 "Christ, whose glory fills the skies"

Benediction

Choral Amen

Postlude "How Brightly Beams the Morning Star" Buxtehude

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

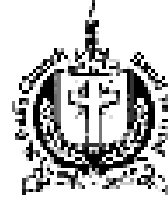
For insurance reasons, the gallery seating around the top of the sanctuary is not open to the public. Only the individual who is coordinating the live stream will be in the gallery. We invite you to join us in the pews on the main floor of the Sanctuary as you worship with us today. Thank you.

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

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:	Trish Haycock, North Aisle Heather Pirie, South Aisle

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 Giving Envelopes - If you have an envelope number between 1-50, please see the front few by the piano to collect your 2024 envelope box. If you have any questions or concerns about this, or if you don't have an envelope box and would like to have one, please email/call Natanya at the office.

Supporting Coffee Hour - Donations of cookies or baked goods are greatly appreciated and can be placed in the kitchen. If you wish to help offset the increasing cost of coffee/tea/milk/sugar any freewill offering will be received with thanks. If you would like to volunteer to support a coffee hour please provide your name and contact information to Trish or Mark Haycock.

Hamilton Urban Core Community Health Centre donations- Donations of toiletries and non-perishable snacks and foods would still be of great help to the HUC CHC. Please leave these items in the boxes on the St. Andrew's stage. The HUC CHC clients are so grateful.



THIS WEEK AT ST. DAVID'S

Sunday, January 14

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

6:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic in Centennial Hall

Monday, January 15

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

Tuesday, January 16

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

7:00pm: Finance & Property Meeting

Wednesday, January 17

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

Thursday, January 18

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

5pm-8pm: Alamal Learning Centre in Chapel & St. Andrew's

Friday, January 19

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

MISSION MOMENT

Sohdi became the sole provider for her family when her husband died a decade ago. A farmer in Pakistan, she plants various crops, but droughts and floods have disrupted food production for three years. In 2021, Sohdi received aid through the Humanitarian, Early Recovery and Development project, supported by PWS&D, which provided food aid to households in need. This assistance enabled her family to eat properly even during times of failed harvests. The project also provided support for women artisans to improve their skills and market their goods, making them more resilient for the future. Sohdi is grateful for this support that allowed her to stay out of debt. Now, she dreams of her son's wedding as well as sending her other children to school. (See photo on left)