

St. Paul's United Church
May 28, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.
UCW Sunday

Hymn Sing:

VU #820 Make a Joyful Noise

VU #412 This Is The Day Vs 1 & 3

VU #289 It Only Takes A Spark Vs 1 & 2

VU #341 Fairest Lord Jesus

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMN: *(please stand if you are able)* **VU #374 Vs. 1**
Come and Find the Quiet Centre

1. Come and find the quiet center
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

GOD GATHERS US TOGETHER

ACKNOWLEDGING THE TERRITORY

We acknowledge the traditional territories in which we all live, work and play. We acknowledge the land because of those who have lived, worked and played here first, as well as to build respectful relationships. Acknowledging the land is an important part of reconciliation. We are called to honour the authentic history of Canada, its original peoples and not be afraid to tell the story of the creation of this country that has historically been missing.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Spirit of God calls to our spirits:

All: Calling us together in worship and service.

One: The Word of God calls us to ministry:

All: Calling us to be the church, calling us to love the world, calling us to work for peace, each and every day.

*** OPENING HYMN: VU #395 Come In, Come In and Sit Down**

Refrain: Come in, come in and sit down,
You are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found,
And we are a part of the family.

1. You know the reason why you came,
Yet no reason can explain;
So share in the laughter and cry in the pain,
For we are a part of the family. **(R)**
2. God is with us in this place,
Like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's grace,
For we are a part of the family **(R)**
3. There is a life to be shared in the bread and the wine
We are the branches, Christ is the vine
This is God's temple it's not your or mine
But we are a part of the family. **(R)**
4. There's rest for the weary and health for us all;
There's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small.
So come in and worship and answer the call,
For we are a part of the family. **(R)**

OPENING PRAYER (together)

Loving and Holy One, we gather with you as individuals, each of us with unique gifts and abilities. By your grace, we are one people. Through your grace, we can do great things. Help us to worship you now so that we might bring hope to all the world. Amen.

Please stand as you are able and repeat the UCW Purpose:

"To unite women of the community of faith for the total mission of the church and to provide a means through which we may express our loyalty and devotion to Jesus Christ in Christian witness, study, fellowship, and service".

Children's Hymn: VU #357 Vs. 1 & 2 Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

1. Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

2. First let me hear how the children stood round his knee,
and I shall fancy his blessing resting on me;
words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children's Hymn Vs. 3 & 4

3. Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea
tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee!
And how the Master, ready and kind,
chided the billows and hushed the wind.
4. Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas! Jesus is king!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (together)

Spirit of love, we come in search of love and in the hope of learning how to love as you love us. Help us to see others with your eyes of love. Help us to forgive and accept forgiveness as fully and confidently as you forgive. Love us, dear God, with the mercy and grace we need to abide in your love each and every day. In your love and grace, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

SERVICE OF THE WORD

HYMN: VU #506 Take My Life and Let It Be

1. Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, all for thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
2. Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet, and let them be
swift and purposeful for thee.
3. Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.

4. Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.
5. Take my love: and I will pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 5: 1-10 pg. 4 N.T.
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Introduction of Sheila Greason

MESSAGE: Experiences at Camp Tanner

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERING SONG MV #191 What Can I Do?

What can I do?
What can I bring?
What can I say?
What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy.
I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love.
I'll do my share.

*** OFFERTORY PRAYER (together)**

Bless these gifts to be nourishment for a world hungry for your grace. Bless us to be nurturers of love for a world hungry for your compassion. Bless us to be one in ministry with you and with one another, through the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

IN JESUS' NAME WE GO TO SERVE

* CLOSING HYMN: MV #209 Go Make a Diff'ence

Refrain:

Go make a diff'ence.
We can make a diff'ence.
Go make a diff'ence in the world.
Go make a diff'ence.
We can make a diff'ence.
Go make a diff'ence in the world.

1. We are the salt of the earth,
called to let the people see
the love of God for you and me.
We are the light of the world,
not to be hidden but be seen.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. **R**
2. We are the hands of Christ
reaching out to those in need,
the face of God for all to see.
We are the spirit of hope;
we are the voice of peace.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. **R**
3. So let your love shine on,
let it shine for all to see.
Go make a diff'ence in the world.
And the spirit of Christ
will be with us as we go.
Go make a diff'ence in the world. **R**

* COMMISSIONING

UCW BENEDICTION (together)

May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit rest upon all our work done in His name; may He give us light to guide us, courage to support us, and love to unite us now and forever more. Amen.

PARTING SONG: MV #214 May God's Sheltering Wings

May God's sheltering wings,
her gathering wings protect you.
May God's nurturing arms,
her cradling arms sustain you,
and hold you in her love,
and hold you in her love.

*** POSTLUDE:**



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**We welcome all who join us for in-person worship today and online.  
Thank you to the UCW for leading our worship service today.**  
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In our thoughts and prayers this week are Glenna Cargill, Jim Donaldson, Tammy Ferris and Rob Woodford, friend of Ron & Bonnie Stafford who is battling a terminal brain tumor.

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Please join us for a social time after the worship service for coffee,  
(regular & decaf) as well as tea, juice and cookies will be served.  
Members of the Congregation are hosting this month.



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**Happy belated birthday wishes to:
Lisa Houston who celebrated her birthday on May 20th
Birthday wishes on May 30th to Andrew Perry.**

**Happy Anniversary wishes on May 31st to both
Bill & Glenna Cargill married 55 years and
Desmond and Rev. Karlene celebrating 26 years.**



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The flowers today are placed by **Florence Mannell and her family**  
in loving memory of Harold, Violet and Russell Mannell.

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Thank-you to Mary Johnson for creating the Cancer Awareness Antipendum.



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**We are ordering more golf shirts for St. Paul's**

Order sheet is at the back of the Rotunda for you to complete  
All orders must be paid for by May 31 - as order will be submitted at that time.  
Only one color available which is royal blue. All shirts will be \$38.50 which includes  
logo & tax. Thanks, Karen/Sunday School Coordinator



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St. Paul's Messy Church presents 'She sells seashells'

June 3rd from 10-noon in the Banquet Hall
Join us for: crafts & game with lunch to follow!

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**AOTS Sunday Breakfast**

June 4 starting at 8:00 a.m. All are invited to attend. Bacon, sausage toast jam  
fresh fruit and beverage. Where can you go to have a hearty breakfast for \$5.00  
Theme: Recognizing the projects we help sponsor. Please see sign up sheet at  
back of Church or outside the Friendship Room.



Next Men's Breakfast at the Airport Cafe. Thursday June. 15 9:00 a.m.  
See sign up sheets.

Please join us for the “**UCW "OUTDOOR"** (weather permitting) bake sale on the lawn near the ramp on Saturday June 10th at 9 a.m. All proceeds go to UCW outreach programmes. We have delicious homemade baked goods, fresh and frozen rhubarb, coffee, water and individual muffins for sale.

You can sit at the tables and enjoy your muffins or a BBQ hot dog from the yard sale area. Thank you for your support.



### Calling all bakers.....ladies or gentlemen



Prepackaged baked goods can be dropped off at the ramp entrance on Friday June 9th from 1 to 4 p.m. We suggest that large loaves should be cut in half or sliced. Tarts or squares packaged as six or less. Mixed squares can be packaged together. Please mark items containing nuts. To arrange for donated baked goods to be picked up, please call Mary at 519-409-0716. Thank you for your donations.

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St. Paul's is holding a Yard Sale on June 10th, 2023

You can continue to drop off your smaller items every Wednesday from 9-12 noon.

We are looking for:

Small appliances

Toys and games

Jewellery

Gently used clothing

Linens

Books

and much more...



Starting in May we will be accepting furniture items, please call 519-842-3023 (Brenda Marshall) for pick up or drop off.

There is also a signup sheet outside the Friendship Room. If you can help in anyway with setup the day before, help at a table on the day, cashier ect....

Please sign your name, time you are available and phone number. Thank you.

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### Foodbank May collection needs are:

Canned vegetables

Pudding Cups

Fruit Cups

Small packages of Rice

Instant Hot Chocolate

Cookies

Mayonnaise, Mustard

Relish

Small sizes of Ketchup

Canned tomatoes

Small jars of pickles

Fresh vegetables and fruit - potatoes, carrots, onions, apples, bananas, mandarins

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St. Paul's AOTS Club will be holding its **Annual Golf Tournament and BBQ** on Saturday, June 24th, 2023. Golf will be at Tillsonview Golf Course teeing off at 3 p.m. BBQ will be at Dave and Dag Morris' at a cost of \$10. **Please register by June 13th** to facilitate planning of the Event. Sign-up sheet is in the Rotunda or by emailing stpaulsaots84@gmail.com. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Dave Morris or Harley Jackson.





IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO START THINKING ABOUT PA DAYS FOR 2023-2024

We would like to offer this program again to the community but
- WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!!! WE NEED COMMITTED VOLUNTEERS
for various positions. Please contact Karen Hodges for more information.

For friends or family in hospital (here in Tillsonburg or elsewhere) please contact our
Church Office (519-688-0011) with Hospital name and details to let our minister know
so she can follow-up with a visit or a phone-call. Hospitals no longer provide daily lists
of patients wanting visits and we would not want to miss you.

DID YOU KNOW	...that you can serve in unusual areas like getting stuff ready for our Garage sale? Decorating for special occasions like Thanksgiving or Christmas?
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**Throughout the year, the UCW supports many worthwhile organizations. Our
funds come through various fundraising events including the sale of geraniums,
the Frosty Fair Bazaar, bake sale and the sale of chocolates. We appreciate the
support of the congregation and the community in these fundraising efforts.**

In 2023 we are providing support totalling over \$13,000 for the following:

Camp Tanner

Community Kitchen

DASO

Education Fund for a local youth

Five Oaks Centre

Tillsonburg Helping Hands Food Bank

Sakura House

Tillsonburg Salvation Army

Victoria's Quilts

Youth for Christ

A Youth to attend Camp Tanner

Mission and Services of the United Church of Canada

We give thanks to our members for their work in raising these funds.