

"If you are interested in learning more about what goes on at our Presbytery (Northern Waters) meetings you can go to our home page (www.stpaulsmidland.org), click on "Presbytery Snippets" in the main menu on your left. You will be given a link to a summary of each presbytery meeting (quarterly)."

Volunteers Needed: The Salvation Army's Community & Family Services Food Bank is looking for people willing to give of their time and talents to help us serve our Community. We need people to pack hampers, to serve clients, to greet our guests as they arrive, to make coffee or drive our truck on local pick-ups. We are also looking for people willing to interview our clients (after the appropriate training). The Army's Food Bank serves close to 300 people per month. Our Food Bank is located at 555 Dominion Avenue in Midland (at Dominion & 2nd Avenue). We are open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 am - 11:30 am.

If you are interested in joining our team of volunteers, if you would like more information or you would like to arrange for a tour of our Community Services facility please call Peter Thomas at 705.526.2751 or Major Geoff Groves at 705.526.5683



Canadian
Red Cross

**The Canadian Red
Cross delivers hot, affordable,
nutritious meals to seniors in
Midland. We also cater to different
diets needs!**

For more information, please call:

705-721-3313 ext. 5256

**Speak to Patricia Pommet
patricia.pommet@redcross.ca**

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
308 KING ST
MIDLAND, ON L4R 3M6
SUNDAY JUNE 30, 2013**



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**WELCOME TO
St. Paul's United Church**

308 King St, Midland, Ontario
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Minister – All of the Congregation
With the Rev. Karen Ptolemy-Stam
Director of Music: Paul Sloan

SUNDAY, June 30, 2013

*When you see this sign, please stand as you are able.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

**HYMN VU# 560 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

As we light this Christ candle, may it remind us that Christ is in us and in Our world.

INTROIT: **Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel God's mighty power and God's Grace.
I can feel the brush of angels' wings
I see glory on each face,
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

OPENING PRAYER: (unison)

**God, our strength and hope, give us courage to take up
the mantle of discipleship. Help us speak the truth,
confront evil, and work to bring about your reign on
earth. Grant us grace to encourage others. We ask in
the name of Jesus, who shows us a new way. Amen**

**HYMN VU# 684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

THEME CONVERSATION;

Introducing our Summer Staff

Multi-Generational Worker/Coordinator: Kelsi Maracle

Technology, Communication & Marketing Assistant: Josh
Kucera

LORD'S PRAYER

(children will go up for Sunday school)

Albertans Displaced by Historically Severe Floods

22 June 2013 (from United Church website: *www.united-church.ca*)

At least 175,000 people in Alberta have now been ordered to evacuate their homes following historically massive flooding throughout the province, with cities in the south bracing for flood warnings as they anticipate yet more rainfall.

The RCMP said at least three people have died in the floodwaters. Torrential rain last week — up to 200 mm in some places — as well as saturated ground and the local geography that encourages water to run downhill quickly were among a confluence of factors leading up to the devastation. David Sands, a spokesperson with the Government of Alberta, said that 22 communities were still under states of emergency as of Saturday (June 21) morning.

United Church maintaining a close watch on the situation

Senior General Council Office (GCO) staff have expressed deep concern for Albertans affected by the floods. Close watch of the situation is being maintained and GCO staff are awaiting word from Alberta and Northwest Conference colleagues about what help might be needed. Conference, presbytery, congregations and Mission and Service Community Outreach ministries will no doubt be eager to assist as they can. In the meantime Alberta's highly skilled and well-resourced emergency response services are distinguishing themselves with rapid rescue and generally supportive actions.

How United Church Members Can Help

Pray

Pray for all the people who have lost loved ones, their homes, and their livelihoods as a result of the floods.

Donate

Any donations received and designated for "Alberta floods" will be sent to the Alberta and Northwest Conference for flood relief efforts.

Donations can be made:

- 🕒 Online via our [SECURE DONATION PAGE](#)
- 🕒 By cheque, money order, or Visa or MasterCard information with donation amount to:

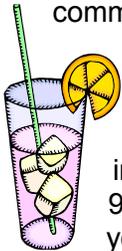
The United Church of Canada

Philanthropy Unit—Emergency Response for Alberta
3250 Bloor St. West, Suite 300
Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4

IMPORTANT: Make your cheque payable to The United Church of Canada. Please be sure to note "Alberta floods" on the face of the cheque.

Volunteers Needed: This year we are going to continue to video the Sunday services for distribution to those unable to attend. We need someone, or two, to volunteer to pick up the DVDs at the church on Monday morning and deliver them. If there are two volunteers, we would suggest that they take a month each.

REFRESHMENT HOSTS - Would you be interested in serving your church in a fun and different way? The Communication committee is looking for teams of two or three who would like to host social time following church during the summer.



Your responsibilities would be to make and serve lemonade and cookies (store bought cookies can be used) in the Great Hall. You would need to be at the church by 9:30 to set up (tables and chairs will be set up in the gym for you) and it takes just over an hour, including clean-up, following worship. Please speak with Sheila Thompson if this interests you or you would like more information. **We have some summer Sundays filled for lemonade hosting and there are about 6 or so more available. You can call Sheila at 705-526-2186.**

Faith Formation and Outreach Coordinator

Announcement - Applicants Sought For Exciting New Position at St. Paul's in Midland

St. Paul's United Church Midland wishes to hire a ***Faith Formation and Outreach Coordinator***, to begin work on August 26, 2013. This 12 hour per week (on average) contract position will develop and implement programs for Sunday School, youth and families as well as other opportunities for spiritual enrichment for a wide variety of people at St. Paul's and in the community. Remuneration is negotiable, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Closing date for applications is Friday August 16, 2013.

Please apply to: The Chair, Ministry and Personnel Committee

308 King St., Midland, ON L4R 3M6 Email:

STPAULSUNITED@ROGERS.COM

For more information and the complete job description:

Go to WWW.STPAULSMIDLAND.ORG For additional information telephone St. Paul's at (705) 526-6077

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

One: Sometimes when the flame goes out, and we imagine ourselves not good enough,

Two: sometimes when the way is too difficult, and we can find no one else to lead,

Three: sometimes when the fits seem thin, and we feel we cannot find the way ourselves,

All: come to us, O God, and whisper your presence.

One: Sometimes when the questions are too deep and there is no one else to seek an answer,

Two: sometimes when the mantle is unworn and we are the only ones to pick it up,

Three: Sometimes when the world is tough and your calling even tougher,

All: come to us, O God, and whisper your presence.

One: may we find a new dream to dream.

Two: may we find a new language to speak,

Three: may we find a new daring within our souls,

All: come to us, O God, and whisper your presence.

Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

WE HEAR THE WISDOM OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (SAID BY ALL)

May we hear these ancient scriptures with trusting faith and gentle hope, with creative enthusiasm and honest doubt, rooted in the teachings of Jesus and grounded in your love. May we hear your call in scripture today. Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Galations 5:1. 13-25

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Be Thou My Vision

Organ/Piano Duet with Phyllis McCullough & Paul Sloan

SERMON

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

HYMN VU# 376 Spirit of the Living God

*DOXOLOGY: #VU 541

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

* HYMN VU# 120 O Jesus, I Have Promised

*COMMISSIONING/BENEDICTION

* SUNG BLESSING

**Go in love; have no fear. God will guide you,
God is always near. Go in Love; take God's hand.
God will hear you and will understand.
May God's light forever shine upon you.
May God's peace be always in your heart.
Go in love; face each day.
God will lead you, and will show the way.
Go in love and live in faith. Amen.**

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POSTLUDE

Welcome!

Are you new to St. Paul's?

Whether you're just visiting or looking to stay, it is great to have you with us. Please make yourself known to our greeters, and pick up a welcome package. Please join us after the service for refreshments, in our Great Hall and find out more info about St. Paul's and get connected into the community. **What to expect** - The only thing we ask you to do is to relax. You are with people just like you. Whether you have been here many times or never been to Church before, you can anticipate an encouraging and enlightening experience.

Please join us for lemonade in the Great Hall after the service hosted by Marilyn Broome and Gary Price.

Lay Reader	Lorelei Blane-Smith
Pre-Service Music	Rick Taylor
Administrator	Judy McConnell
Custodian	Mary Ellen Petticrew

Captain of the Greeters for June is Joan Lavin

Marie & Cam Bonner will be delivering DVD's for the month of June
Bea Nayduk will be in the Nursery today.

Captain of the Counters for June is Ria Gerritsen

Phone 526-6077 Fax 526-4020 Email: STPAULSUNITED@ROGERS.COM

Thank you to **Phyllis McCullough** our special guest musician today.

Welcome Summer Students!

Please welcome our two summer students who are with us today and for the next eight weeks:

- ⌚ Kelsi Maracle has accepted the position of *Multi-Generational Community Worker*. Kelsi is midway through her Recreation and Leisure Services Diploma from Fanshawe College, where she has taken courses directly related to working with children and seniors. She also has First Aid, CPR, WHMIS and defibrillator training -- and is an accomplished athlete as well.
- ⌚ Josh Kucera has accepted the position of *Technology, Marketing and Communications Assistant*. Josh is a grade 11 student at St. Theresa's High School, where his courses in computer technology and music have helped develop skills in his interest areas of music, website design, gaming, audio/video editing and making short videos. He recently built a high speed desk top computer from scratch.

Kim Hakkenberg will be supervising both Kelsi and Josh on a day to day basis and they will be working in close collaboration with Karen and with volunteers from the Faith Formation/Christian Education Committee and the Technology Team.

Karen will be on holidays starting Monday thru to Tuesday July 23rd. This is an exciting for Karen & Keith's and their family as their son Kevin is being married on July 13th in Ottawa. We wish Kevin and his bride Jamie all the best for the future!!

Speakers during Karen's absence are:

July 7 th	Rev. Phillip Cable
July 14 th	Pat Edmonds
July 21 st	Lorna Bywater

In case of an emergency during the day you can call the church office at 705-526-6077 or after hours please call Rev. Heather Graham or Bev Irwin at 705-549-9896 or Rev. Philip Cable at 705-728-6015.

Bakeless Bake Sale: The envelopes are on the back window with an enclosed poem explain our Bakeless Bake Sale. We thank you

for any support you may be able to give to us. Please provide your name and address or your envelope # to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year. Your envelope may be placed on the offering plate at any time. Please make your cheque payable to St. Paul's United Church. **The deadline for donations to the Bakeless Bake Sale is July 7th.**