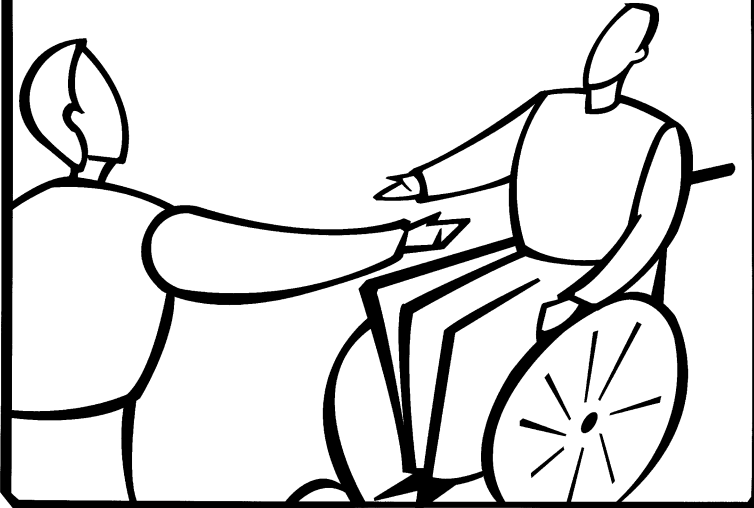
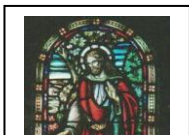


**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
308 KING ST
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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 1, 2013**

Invite the marginalized.
Luke 14:13



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Minister – All of the Congregation
With the Rev. Karen Ptolemy-Stam
Director of Music: Paul Sloan

Sunday September 1, 2013

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

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN VU# 395 *COME IN, COME IN AND SIT DOWN*

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

One: Hospital and welcoming God, you call all people to the banquet you have prepared.

All: Help us to welcome and receive others, not just those of our own community but all people, created and loved by you.

One: We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our model and guide. Open our hearts to you and all your people.

All: Be with us as we worship you. Amen

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 angel's wings
I see glory on each face,
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

**Creating God, found in the guise of every person, here we meet you and welcome you. And here you meet us, arms open,
calling our names and holding us close. May this space be blessed with your songs to offer the world; may it be graced with
your words to heal the world; may it be shaped by your love that re-creates the world. May this be a welcoming place, to all
who wander, and may this time be your time, rich in love and full of promise. Amen**

*HYMN VU# 480 *LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS VU# 932(sung)

***Holy, holy, holy are you, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are filled with your glory,
Hosanna in the Highest!***

Blessed is the one who comes in your name.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (SUNG TWICE) VU#933

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come, come again.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (UNISON)

In sharing the bread and the cup, Mysterious God, remind us yet again that you live within us. May your table be open to all. Help us to go forth to make a difference in the world, to share with others, be bearers of love and hope, and enter into your purpose for all creation. Amen

(Children may go up to Sunday school now)

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: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16,
Luke 14: 1, 7-14

SPECIAL MUSIC: WORSHIP THE LORD Kaan/Klusmeier

**Chorus: Worship the Lord! (Worship the Lord)
Praise the Creator, the Spirit, the Son
raising our hands (raising our hands)
in devotion to God who is one!**

(Please join Judy in singing the chorus)

SERMON Jeremiah 2: 4-13,

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

*HYMN # 657 HE LEADETH ME

*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# 660 HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

* COMMISSIONING

* CHORAL AMEN HALLELUJAH AMEN #974

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 Bonnie MacKay.**

Soloist

Pre-Service Music

Administrator

Custodian

Judy McConnell

Rick Taylor

Judy McConnell

Mary Ellen Petticrew

Lay Reader

Lorelei Blane-Smith

Captain of the Greeters for September is Sheila Thompson

This week Max Wagg will be delivering DVD's.

Captain of the Counters for September is Linda Jarvis

Fall Newsletter please find enclosed a supplement with a few more reports, missed from the newsletter.

SEPTEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLUB MEETING

Remember Fellowship Club Potluck and Corn Roast – Tuesday September 3rd. Don't forget to come to the potluck supper and corn roast on Tuesday. If the weather is fair, it will be at George and Louise Leck's house (90 Concession 8 East, Tiny -- between County Road 6 and the airport) at 4:30 PM. If it rains after lunch that day, we'll move it to the Great Hall at 5:00 PM. If you're not sure about the venue or need directions or a ride – call Louise and George at 705-526-6389. Please bring your \$10 per person membership dues, a main course or dessert dish, your plates and utensils, and a cold beverage of your choice. Corn, rolls, tea and coffee will be supplied. Get reconnected with friends after the summer break!

POT LUCK LUNCHEON – SUNDAY SEPT 8TH

Sunday September 8th immediately following church will be our **Welcome Back Pot Luck luncheon.**

Hosted by our Faith Formation committee, everyone is invited to bring an appetizer, salad or main dish to share. Faith Formation will provide dessert and beverages.

We are looking for volunteers to help out in our **Nursery** on Sunday mornings, if you are able to volunteer for a Sunday please see Sheila Thompson or call the church office at 705-526-6077.

September 15th please bring in any finished prayer shawls as we will be having a service to bless them.

September 21st – Bring a picture(s) of loved ones who have passed away to be used as a part of our worship service connecting us to our past/present & future.

Fellowship Club's annual Beef Dinner is coming.....mark your calendar for Sept. 25th. That is the day of the ever popular Fellowship Club's delicious beef dinner accompanied by all your favourite pies for dessert. Tell your family, your neighbours, and your friends and get your tickets early. Tickets are now available in the church office and will be available from Fellowship club members after Sept 4th. The cost is \$17 for adults and children under 12-\$12. There will be two seatings 5pm and 6:15pm.

Bible Study will start up on Wednesday September 11th from 11:30 to 1pm in the parlour. All are welcome!

Would you like to help out your church by being a **Communion Server**. The commitment is usually one Sunday a year. If interested please contact Bea Nayduk at 705-528-0959.

Welcome to your United Church!

Sunday School & Nursery

Our classes are for children 3 thru 14 with the children coming into the sanctuary for the beginning of the service. **Nursery:** We have facilities for younger children upstairs during our service for children newborn to 3yrs old.

Baptism: Baptism services are offered throughout the year. Contact Karen who will be glad to make arrangements for a Baptism service. **New Members:** Services to welcome new members, or members by transfer, are held throughout our year as required.

Communion: We celebrate communion the first Sunday of each month (except during July and August) and at other special times throughout the year. We are always looking for new people to prepare the elements or serve communion. If you are interested call the church office.

Envelopes & Par Program: You can get a set of envelopes by calling the church office. You do not need to be a member of the church to receive envelopes, but when you use envelopes we are able to keep a record of your givings and issue you a tax receipt at the end of the year. The **Par Program** allows you to have your givings automatically taken from your bank account monthly, please contact the office for more information on this program.

Handicapped Parking, Chair Lift and Ramp for Wheelchairs: There is handicapped parking on the south side of the church off Easy St. A ramp is located in the same area to allow access to the sanctuary for wheelchairs. A chair lift, which goes to the basement area, is located outside the sanctuary doors on the north side. There is a seat on the lift or it will accommodate a wheelchair.

Hearing and Visual Aids: Head phones and large print bulletins are available at all services. Our greeters will be glad to help you find these.

Defibrillator on Site: We have a Heart Defibrillator which is mounted on the wall outside the minister's office. All staff as well as people in our congregation are trained to use the Defibrillator.

First Aid Kits: are mounted on the walls in the following areas: Outside the Administrator Office, outside the sanctuary near the stair lift, and are also located in the kitchen and kitchenette as well as in the large Sunday room area upstairs.

Kitchen Renovation – Our kitchen is finished and what a wonderful job has been done by all. We want to thank **George Leck Jr. and Jason Duguay of “Impact Installation and Renovations”** for the wonderful work they did in our kitchen. We also would like to thank **Edith & Jack Bell** who along with the following volunteers, Brenda Fleming, Colin & Sharon Whiteside, Bruce Wilcox, Max Wagg and our custodian Mary Ellen, worked very hard to get the kitchen painted and the last details finished. **What a wonderful job!!!!**

New Group to St. Paul's - Faith & Science Group: Starting on Friday September 13th, this group will be meeting here at St. Paul's. The name of this group is “The Forum for Faith and Science”. This group has been meeting since 2009, first in Penetanguishene, and then in the library next door. The purpose of this group is to allow persons interested in matters of Faith and Science to come together to study, share ideas and learn. Books and videos and articles are the focus of our study and discussion. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Friday's in the chapel here at St. Paul's from 10am to 11:30am.

At present the group is halfway through a marvellous little book called “Journey of the Universe”. If interested please call Max Wagg 705-549-1985 or Ray Porth 705-549-4483 for more information.

Do you need an adjustable cane, we have one in our office that we are happy to loan. Please call Judy at 705-526-6077

**Legion Drumhead ceremony
Sept 15 at 2:00 pm at Lakeview Cemetery.**

St. John's Anglican Church in Waverley is hosting their 4th annual Alzheimer's Coffee Break on Saturday September 7 from 10am till 2pm at 242 Darby Road Waverly. Come and enjoy our BBQ (peameal on a bun or a hamburger with choice of drink for \$5.00). Browse a selection of used books; check out our rummage sale, everyone welcome!