

St. Paul's Weekly Update – April 14, 2022

Minister's Ponderings

This is Holy Week and for Christians around the world, one of most reflective times in our faith journey each year. Before we sing our Alleluias, we join Christ in his suffering and death. We are reminded that God is with us, even in these times. Though never sought, sometimes this journey deepens our own response to compassion for ourselves and others as we walk with Christ. We are invited to engage with others in the brokenness and suffering we see so that there can be new beginnings and resurrection. And then a new day dawns and we celebrate resurrection, new beginnings, hope and joy as we sing our Easter Alleluias. Please join us!

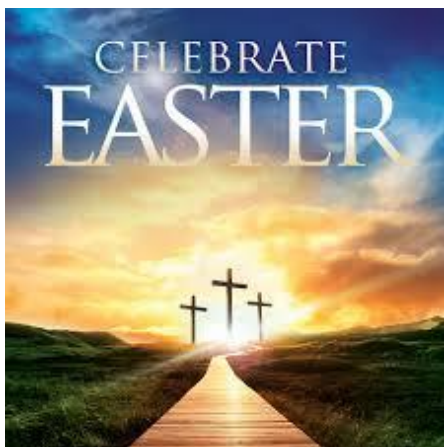
Worship



GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE
Friday, April 15, 2022, 10:00 a.m.
St. Paul's United Church
In person or on-line



EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE
Sunday April 17, 2022, 7:00 am
Little Lake Park, Midland
In person only



EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE
Sunday April 17, 2022, 10:00 am
St. Paul's United Church
All are welcome!
In person or online

We are an Easter people, God's people as we gather together either in person or online. To worship with us on-line, visit our website at www.stpaulsmidland.org and use the direct YouTube link at the top of the page, or simply go to YouTube and subscribe to our channel. Just type in "St. Paul's Midland" and you will find us. If you are on Facebook, you can get St. Paul's updates that

way as well. Check us out on both our new website and Facebook. We start live-streaming at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday.

I invite you to check out the Easter message for all of us from Richard Bott, the Moderator of the United Church of Canada.

<https://united-church.ca/news/moderators-easter-message-2022>



St. Paul's Zoom Coffee Hour

The next ZOOM Coffee Hour is on **Sunday April 24, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.** We invite you all to join. You can use the same link as before:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89969004401>

Men's Breakfast Gathering

Our next men's breakfast group via Zoom is on **Saturday April 30th at 9:30 a.m.** The Zoom link is included below. Gather with the guys while having your coffee or breakfast at home. All men are welcome to join.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89829828219?pwd=WmtONDZKNm91c0svSTNZbzV6aitLUT09>

Meeting ID: 898 2982 8219, Passcode: 995643

Congregational Life

Congratulations to Fran and Doug Hill on the birth of a great grandchild and also to Carolyn Hendry on the birth of two grandsons – twin boys,

It is exciting to share with you some news about our St. Paul's singer and youth, Shayla Brown. As you know, Shayla has grown up as part of this congregation. She has sung many of our hymns during the pandemic and worked with Victoria Warwick, our Music Director, for a co-op course in high school. This Toronto Star article is about her Toronto stage debut. We are so happy for Shayla and very proud of her.

"Shayla Brown, a visually impaired actress, makes her Toronto stage debut"

<https://www.thestar.com/life/together/people/2022/04/10/shayla-brown-a-visually-impaired-actress-makes-her-toronto-stage-debut.html>

The Congregational Life committee is hosting another **Faith and Fellowship take-out dinner on Wednesday, April 27th, 2022.** The menu will be ham and scalloped potatoes, hot vegetable, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert. Cost is \$20.00 per dinner, **payable in advance** either by cheque or e-transfer. Pick up of meals will be between 4:30 and 5:00 p.m. in the Atrium. You can order your meals by contacting Louise, our Administrator at stpaulsunity@rogers.com or by calling her at 705-526-1640.



Welcome to SPRING UCW cupcake sale

UCW is having a cupcake sale and the cost is 6/\$10.00. There will be a variety of flavours available. You can place your order by calling Sharon Foster at 705-526-7181. Pick up date will be May 5th, 2022, at the church, at 1:00 p.m.

The **Official Board** will be meeting via ZOOM on Tuesday May 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Board members - please note this date on your calendars.

St. Paul's Refugee Campaign



This Sunday marks the end of our Lenten Campaign. Through your generous donations, **we have raised \$18,705. Great work St. Paul's!!** A huge thank you for all of your generous donations.

This Week's Minute for Mission

GOD'S MISSION
OUR GIFTS



**Called to
Be the Church**
THE JOURNEY

Acting Together for Ukraine

Spanning 127 countries, Action by Churches Together (ACT) Alliance is the world's largest network of Protestant and Orthodox churches and agencies, including the United Church. Your generosity through Mission & Service has long supported ACT's humanitarian relief and advocacy efforts. Right now, your ongoing support through **Mission & Service** as well as [special emergency gifts](#) are helping provide Ukrainians with shelter, clean water, food, and medical attention.

Blessings everyone, Happy Easter!

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