



St. Paul's Weekly Update – June 29th, 2023

Worship

WELCOME to Ruth Knapp, our guest preacher this Sunday and to Amanda Clarke, our guest pianist filling in for Victoria.

Worship with us in person at 10:00 a.m. or on-line. Click on the link below to go directly to the service, or visit our website at www.stpaulsmidland.org



<https://youtube.com/live/6MwJeH8t87s?feature=share>

Please note that in Karen's absence until August 14th, the **Rev. Lois Brown** from Unity United Church in Vasey has agreed to cover for pastoral emergencies and funerals. Her willingness and kindness to assist us in this way is very much appreciated. She can be contacted at (705) 816-2570 or by e-mail at loisebrown@hotmail.com

Summer Office hours

Louise works Wednesday and Thursdays and is **in the office on Thursday mornings only between 8:30 a.m. and noon**. She works from home the balance of those two days and you can reach her on her home number at 705-526-1640 or by e-mail at stpaulsunity@rogers.com. **The office will not be open on Tuesdays until further notice.**

In-Person Coffee Hour

Our next in-person coffee hour will be this Sunday, July 2nd. Joan Lavin's team will be hosting.



Please note that Gerry Payne is Captain of the Greeters for the month of July.

Now Hiring!

Apply by June 30th! St. Paul's is seeking a **Volunteer Coordinator** to develop and evaluate a volunteer recruitment and engagement strategy in our new "We Are Not Alone" project to revitalize community outreach activities at St. Paul's United Church.

If you or someone you know is an enthusiastic self-starter who is innovative and passionate about volunteer leadership, education, and community engagement, please visit

<https://www.stpaulsmidland.org/> to see the job posting and description. Resumes will be accepted by email to stpaulsunited@rogers.com with attention to the Community Resources Funding Advisory Committee "We Are Not Alone" until June 30, 2023.

Congregational News

Our sincere condolences to Don Craig and his family on the death of Jean Craig on Sunday June 25th. Please keep this family in your thoughts and prayers. Jean's funeral will be on Saturday July 8th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's.

The UCW is part of the Gift of Grace Soup Kitchen and **once a week** in August, we provide them with eight loaves of sandwiches. If you can help, please contact Barb Carswell at (705) 526-5957.

The UCW is having a Garage Sale on **September 16th**. Please set aside any items in your home that you no longer need or want and we will pass them on for someone else to enjoy, while raising needed funds for our work. Please note that we cannot accept large items of furniture, baby furnishings, sports equipment or pet accessories. If you have any questions, Zena can be reached by phone at (705) 527-6789 or by email at zenapendlebury@gmail.com



This Week's Minute for Mission



Eunice Chianka felt a calling to preach and share the gift of education. Growing up, most of the religious leaders she knew were male ministers. When she had the opportunity to encounter female ministers, she felt inspired and knew she wanted to inspire and empower other young girls in the same way. "I always ask God: do you really love us as women? I need to do my best as a woman to challenge the dominance of men," Eunice says.

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Coming from the United Methodist Church, Eunice is one of the students who received a scholarship from the United Church of Canada's partnership with the United Theological Seminary in Zimbabwe. She shared that she wanted to "express her humble gratitude for this opportunity."

When it comes to inspiring young women, Eunice shares a few words: "if I can do it, they can do the same," she explains. "We have power. It's the society at large that assumes we don't take part, often we're behind the scenes." The strength and determination of leaders such as Eunice inspires us all. Your [Mission and Service gifts](#) empower young women like Eunice as they grow to become leaders for the future. Thank you.

Blessings everyone,

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