

## St. Paul's Weekly Update – July 20, 2023

# **Worship**

**WELCOME** to Fran Hill, 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 <a href="https://www.stpaulsmidland.org">www.stpaulsmidland.org</a>



https://youtube.com/live/oWctTSJZIT8?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. She can be contacted at (705) 816-2570 or by e-mail at <a href="loisebrown@hotmail.com">loisebrown@hotmail.com</a>

### **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. You can reach her on her home number at 705-526-1640 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:stpaulsunited@rogers.com">stpaulsunited@rogers.com</a>. The office will not be open on Tuesdays until further notice.

### **In-Person Coffee Hour**

Our next in-person coffee hour will be on **Sunday, August 6th**. **Please note** that Gerry Payne is Captain of the Greeters for the month of July.





### **Staffing news**

Both the Community Services Recovery Fund Committee and the Ministry and Personnel Committee are introducing our newest staff member! Kathy Stewart has joined St. Paul's as the Volunteer Coordinator. She begins today July 20, 2023, until the end of June 2024.

Kathy comes to us with extensive experience in volunteerism in the not-forprofit sector and now with St. Paul's United Church. She will be an asset as we begin a new project entitled "We Are Not Alone". With a focus on Outreach at St. Paul's, our goal is to reduce isolation and support our faith community along with the communities that we serve. This is a wonderful opportunity for St Paul's to inspire, renew and reinvigorate our volunteer outreach initiatives to make a difference. Welcome Kathy!

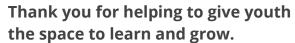
### Men's Breakfast Gathering

Our next men's breakfast gathering will take place **on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.** at Mom's Restaurant. Gather with the guys for some food, fellowship and interesting conversation. All men are welcome to join.

**UCW's** annual Garage Sale will be 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







The Zimbabwe Council of Churches will be hosting an annual three-day youth leadership development program in 2023.

In partnership with Mission and Service, the program will host 50 youth from 10 provinces to increase young people's knowledge and skills as active citizens. Through involvement

and education around policy reforms, electoral and budgetary processes, natural resource governance and peace building, youth will gain skills in nation-building processes.

The young people will take their skills and experiences from the program to their churches and communities. They will have the knowledge and resources to create their own plans of action, and opportunities to regularly meet or check in with other attendees.

The Zimbabwe Council of Churches will continue to engage young people in all its programming to ensure the voices of youth are represented and heard.

Your <u>gifts to Mission and Service</u> help develop and continue programs where young people can flourish. Thank you for helping to give youth the space to learn and grow.

#### Blessings everyone,

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