

**Easter Season
Reconciliation and Hope**



**PEACE BEGINS
WITH LOVE**



**WORSHIP @ST. PAUL'S
SUNDAY APR 19, 10AM**

**April 19th, 2026
St. Paul's United Church
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**Worship Leader: Rev. Kirsty Hunter
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Gathering and Preparation

Prelude

Processional

Sing Praise and Bless the Lord

Sing praise and bless the Lord,
sing praise and bless the Lord! Peoples! Nations! Alleluia

Welcome

Check In

What is your favourite salad?

Acknowledgement of the Land

Ahniin, We acknowledge that the land on which St. Paul's United Church is located is the traditional land of the Wendat and Anishinaabe First Nations.

Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous People from across Turtle Island, including Metis and our neighbours on Christian Island, Beausoleil First Nation. We are grateful to have the opportunity to worship and work on this land. We are all Treaty people.

This week the people of Peguis First Nation near Winnipeg are in a race against time to place more than 1 million sandbags to protect their community from the spring flood. This year the waters are predicted to be as high and catastrophic as in 2022. Peguis is located on flood prone land, and has been since the community was illegally relocated in 1907 following the seizure of their previous home. They are calling for permanent flood protection measures to be put in place to protect their community.

We commit ourselves to walking in a new way together: a path of healing and hope. Chi-Meegwetch

Call to Worship

Lift your voices to God.

We call on the One who promises to hear us.

In life, in death, in every moment, God deals graciously with us.

We rejoice in the One who saves us.

We come to find strength and peace in the Word and in Community

We will drink deeply from the Word, and care gently for one another.

So, let us worship in this space that God is creating, where all are embraced.

Together we become beloved community

Opening Prayer

Reader: Sharon Foster

Lighting of Christ Candle

Prayer As we light this Christ Candle,
may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

Sung Response

**Here in this place, the light of God,
my soul finds repose:
Holy space, the heartbeat of God,
My soul finds a home**

Peace of Christ

Stories for All Ages: Changing our Ways, Learning new Things.

Song of Praise VU#679 Let there be Light

Listening

Scripture Acts of the Apostles 9:1-19a **Reader: Colin Whiteside**

Sermon: What do we do with our former enemies?

Song for Reflection MV#138 My Love Colours Outside the Lines

Life and Work of the Church (Announcements)

Offering of Thanksgiving

Offertory Music Choir

Offertory Response VU#541 Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow
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.

Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Reader: Sharon Foster

Song for the Journey

MV#79 Spirit, Open My Heart

Extinguishing of the Candles

Blessing

Closing

VU#958 Halle Halle Halle

Postlude