



The Grapevine

I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5

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May God bless you throughout this harvest season.





Greetings!

One of the hymns on my long list of “favourite hymns” is “Come In, Come In and Sit Down”. It repeatedly says the words “you are a part of the family” and “we are a part of the family”, while listing a whole host of people. Basically, by the end of the song it has listed everyone, because everyone is a child of God’s and welcome to join in the family.

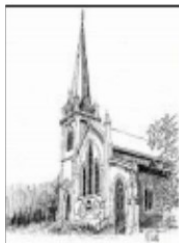
This notion of a church community as a family is one that I truly cherish. It is one of the first things that I learned from the priest that hired me to be a Children & Youth Director thirteen years ago, and it is something that I have seen the reality of over and over again, in a variety of parishes. While the positive aspects of family-life are clear within the church, such as being supportive in times of illness and crisis, and sharing times of joy and celebration together, we are not always prepared for the darker side of family life to find its way into a church community. This darker side includes heated disagreements, petty jealousies and gossiping. Left unchecked, small slights can lead to more destructive behaviour and breaks in the group.

At St. Paul’s we must guard against such negativity by firstly remembering the old adage often attributed to St. Augustine, “the church is a hospital for sinners not a museum for saints”. We also need to consider the Fruits of the Spirit and ask ourselves if we are displaying these (love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control).

All of us have imperfections, some little, some larger, that we are working on with the Lord’s help. However, when we come together to offer what gifts we have to the Lord to use in the building up of the kingdom, and approach one another as brothers and sisters with the grace and love of Christ, we will find that our family can gather around the table each Sunday for a holy meal in peace and harmony. And as we continue to do this week after week, I pray that we may continue to welcome new members of the family to join us in being family to one another, and everything that this involves.

In Christian love,
Rev Bonnie

We are a part of the family!



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The Canon's Corner: The Rev. Canon Greg Physick Sept '24



Here we are, shaking your heads for September is upon us. Where did summer go? The Collect for an early September Sunday reads: *Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded....* Many Anglicans of a certain age recall a variation of that prayed on is called 'The Sunday Next Before Advent' in our Book of Common Prayer. It was often called 'Stir -Up Sunday' for many ingredients for the Christmas pudding were about to be stirred up—as was all the excitement of Advent and of course Christmas itself. The change is found in our Book of Alternative Services, while parishes who use the Book of Common Prayer and lections will pray it on the Sunday familiar to many.

I was a priest introducing the then new BAS of 1985. We heard (and still hear after 39 years) the complaints and one change that brought about comments was the change of Sundays for the above Collect. The emotional ties of 'Stir up Sunday' were heartfelt, as were, and are, the ties to the language of The Book of Common Prayer dating back to its first edition, 1549. (Most will have forgotten but the Canadian revision in 1962 also brought about various complaints.)

My pastoral mind heard the feelings—I will always think of 'Ted', when the collect noted is prayed. Ted was a faithful Anglican and gifted choir member. To his credit, he and I discussed his thoughts and he never left his beloved church due to the change of the collect's timing.

So since 1985 September holds Stir-up Sunday. Yes, January 1st begins each Calendar New Year and Advent begins each Church New Year, yet September finds us in a type of new year too: from the new school year to many fall activities that have been on a summer hiatus. There is a change as summer ends and people return from vacations or simply 'a time away'—especially as once again, we worship within the walls of what we call 'our church'.

What is to be stirred up in your life in the weeks ahead? What good works are going to be taken on to help the light of Christ shine in a certain darkness? What will be stirred up at St. Paul's as this community of faith moves into the weeks and months ahead?

A last thought: such a Collect is a good one for any given day. Some may indeed wish to quietly pray it on what is now called 'The Reign of Christ Sunday' (also 'Christ the King' in some places). After all, it is still the Sunday next to Advent when so much is stirred up. Not just puddings.

Pax

Canon Greg



THE SUNDAY NEXT
BEFORE ADVENT
THE COLLECT.



Sept. 8th WELCOME BACK SUNDAY service & bbq lunch!



WARDEN'S WALK by Betty Hooper and Paul Carpentier

A number of things have happened to the fabric of the church over the summer. Our hail damage from last August has finally been repaired. This is a good example of why we need insurance; our \$5,000 deductible is certainly easier to take than the \$54,000 cost! At the same time, we are repairing the pre-existing broken stain glass window in the hall into the church (across from the organ) at a cost of \$3,600 (plus taxes).

The church slate roof has also been repaired. There were 35 slates re-placed at a cost of app. \$3,200. It is challenging to find contractors that will still do slate, especially at that height! Our thanks go to Don Brohm for handling this task.

You will really notice the plaster repairs that were done throughout the church and hall by G & M Painting. The north wall (by the Beall windows) has been restored to its' former condition; what a difference it makes to have the windows, rather than the cracks in the wall, be the focal point! The same goes for the major bulges/cracks in the stairwells and hall. This restoration cost was approximately \$7,975 (plus tax).

We are also getting concrete repairs to the ramp door stairs, the kitchen stairs and the front porch surface of one of our Glenelg properties to the tune of \$2,100 (plus taxes).

All of these repairs have been done without dipping into our reserves. We will do the accounting to move these funds from designated to unencumbered.

We are currently reviewing our ability to get needed painting done on the upper levels of the church exterior (cap and end caps on the slate roof, the louvered tower and round windows, the frames on the two 14' yellow hall windows). At the same time the two front doors to the church have to be restored. The quote for this job is coming in around \$19,000 plus taxes. Once we have our ducks in a row on this, we will bring it before a special vestry for a vote.

There have been significant salary savings over the first 8 months of 2024. We have not paid janitorial or bookkeeping salaries since January. We thank Tom Ross for doing double duty as bookkeeper/treasurer in the interim. We welcome our new bookkeeper Megan O'Neill who started on the payroll as of August. Don and Marg Brohm continue to keep our premise spotless and we are so grateful for their commitment and generosity to our church.

We have been without a secretary since early April. Betty and myself, along with Doug Read and Lorna Green, have been filling in just to get a grasp on how much the office is used and what the appropriate hours to staff the same should be. We have decided that the office will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 to noon. The office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays, but Paul C. will usually be in the building (or on the grounds) doing odd jobs if you need to get in and/or some help with something.

The goal of your wardens, and the management team, is to come to the annual vestry (Feb 2025) having done the necessary maintenance/repairs tasks to protect our buildings' soundness and facade, have a healthy cash on hand to cover operating expenses, and to not have touched the Henderson bequest. Between the salary savings that we have achieved, the Betty Michell bequest (app. \$15,000) that we have received and the Joan Powell bequest we are expecting, it is anticipated we will achieve these goals.

We welcome **Arlene Gray** as our new **Music Director and Parish Secretary** as of Tuesday September 3rd. We have been in discussion for some time now, and by combining these two functions into a part-time position we have been able to make it work for both parties. Arlene brings an amazing depth of musical talents with her skills in leading choirs (church and professional), voice lessons, playing (and teaching) of the organ and piano, playing of the bells, tuning of pianos (and limited organ tuning) and a vast number of connections in the surrounding musical community.

One only needs to see how much Arlene has on her plate to know how organized she has to be. I will be bold enough to compare her to Barb Truax (*whom I never cease to be amazed at*); Barb gets so many detailed items and functions to **happen simultaneously** and so **smoothly!!!** Arlene is very computer literate, detail focused and a good communicator (and listener). We believe she will excel at the caring, supportive role that the Parish Secretary plays in assisting Rev. Bonnie and the Parish in moving forward. We are so grateful Arlene has joined our staff.

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WARDEN'S WALK (continued from page 7)

Since February we have been asking for someone to step up and volunteer to take on the treasurers' job as Tom Ross is retiring as of the end of August. To date no one has come forward and we are down to "**crunch time**". Tom has done a lot of work on transferring as many tasks as possible to our new bookkeeper and has reduced significantly the number of tasks left to the treasurer. A sheet outlining the breakdown between the two positions is available. **Please, if you have any accounting skills, speak to one of us about this position today so mentoring with Tom can begin for a smooth transition. *The church must have a treasurer.***

We thank Betty Drummond for filling in as our pianist over the summer. We also thank her and Lawrence for the hours they spend in keeping our grounds looking so well kept and free of litter.

We thank Diane Stecher and Doug Read for the work they have been doing with Mary Sullivan on updating our website. Content, colours, ease of use and ability to update info are all being improved. Great job!

Thank you, Diane (Stecher), for doing the Grapevine. The collection and publishing of the articles are both very time-consuming tasks. We appreciate the work you do on this Diane as our parishioners need to know what is going on.

A BIG THANK YOU to Muriel Kents' family for donating her last quilt to the church for a raffle. Like everything Muriel worked on, it is meticulously made and a beautiful creation. Judy and Jennifer (2 of her daughters) have made it their mission to help St. Paul's make this raffle successful and have personally sold 160 tickets (so far). WOW!! Tickets are on sale at the church and packages of ten are available for you to sign out and sell (in your complex, to your family members, to your friends). Please help us out as you are able. Barb Truax will be happy to fix you up with a book or two!

We thank everyone who assisted with the summer services; those who took services while Rev. Bonnie was on vacation, the readers, the sides people, the chancel guild and the choir. We look forward to an exciting fall starting off with the Back to Church Sunday BBQ on September 8th.

Thank you everyone for all you do to make St. Paul's a church where we feed the body and the soul.

Blessings.

Betty Hooper and Paul Carpentier (Wardens)



WELCOME BACK ARLENE & KEN GRAY!

On Welcome Back Sunday we were so pleased to welcome Arlene Gray back to St. Paul's as our Music Director. Arlene's musical gifts are well known to us and we are so grateful to have her here to uplift our voices and souls to Almighty God.

Arlene will also be staffing the office Tuesday – Thursday 9:00 – noon as parish secretary. Her computer and organizational skills will make for a smooth-running office. She will give the caring and support that Rev. Bonnie and parishioners need.

As a bonus, we are grateful to have her husband Ken back in our congregation as a choir member and bell ringer extraordinaire. Arlene and Ken – WELCOME BACK to St. Paul's



Our St. Paul's Family:

FROM OUR PARISH REGISTERS:

MARRIED:

May 7 Krysta McCallum & Eric Redshaw

FUNERALS:

Date of death:

June 22, 2024 James Edward Mackey

Aug. 4 Harold Stephenson

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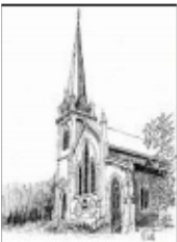
Mark 5:34

CELEBRATING.....

(Oct.—Dec.)



Queenie Rea
Gerald Armstrong
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Dawn Evans
John Gundy
Florence Hickson
David Lawson
Suzanne McAllister
Diane Stecher
Bonnie Skerritt
Olive Richards



St. Paul's Church Services are listed on the last page of this Grapevine.

Due to our wide circulation on the internet and to the new Privacy Act regulations, no personal phone numbers are listed on the first or last page of all issues.

Happy Anniversary



A special "WELCOME" to newcomers, and visitors to St. Paul's. We are glad to have you worshipping with us!

Note: We strive not to miss anyone. If you know of someone celebrating a special day, please let us know. Contact Diane S. "THE GRAPEVINE" editor. The celebrations in this issue are from Oct. through Dec. 2024.

Church Office Hours:

Tuesdays—Thursdays

9am—12 noon



Arlene Gray in the office.





CHURCH PROPERTY UPDATE

Don Brohm, Church Property Manager, assisted by Ray Marshall and Don Chase



As always let's start with good news; all rents are up to date. Thank You Good Tenants.

Now for the bad news; as always buildings require TLC.

The Rectory had a roof leak and has been repaired and we have painted the Wheelchair Ramp at the Rectory as well.

All heating systems have been inspected for winter.

The slate on the Church roof has now been repaired.

38 Glenelg upper has a broken window that will be repaired.

In the June Grapevine there is a report of two valves leaking on the Church heating system that still requires repair..

Repaired a flapper in the toilet tank of 38 Glenelg Lower as well as one for 32 Glenelg Lower.

JUST SO YOU KNOW.

CHOIR PRACTICE—Want to sing?

Choir practice will begin again on Thursday night at 7 pm. If you are interested in singing, please consider joining us as our newly hired Music Director (Arlene Gray) begins her ministry at St. Paul's.

Thanks Betty Drummond!!!

We also wish to thank Betty Drummond for filling in as our summer pianist. Thank you for doing such a great job! Plus thanks to Betty for keeping the church gardens looking great!



We are looking for people to do dishes at the **Mystery Dinner**. Do you know someone that would help out?? A son or daughter; a grandchild; a friend.

Please have them contact Paul C or Barb Truax.

St. Paul's Pantry

Can you help keep our Pantry stocked up? Food supplies are running low!!! Speak to Gail P.

Bought your shopping cards yet?


St. Paul's has lots of different shopping cards for your shopping and gift buying needs. Every time you buy a card, you get full value to shop with, and a portion of sales goes back to our church!!!

A win = win!!!




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Diane Stecher, Editor.



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ST. PAUL'S SISTERHOOD

Shirley Hanes, Coordinator



Our Sisterhood group has continued to meet all summer. Since the office hours have changed we now meet for lunch at noon and stay until 2:00 P.m.

We did have one off site lunch in July for our annual pizza lunch. This is when we celebrate everyone's birthday. We were delighted to include the Rev. Bonnie at that time. We appreciate that she takes time each week to stop and talk to us even though it's usually a short visit in her busy afternoon.

Our knitting continued during the summer as we finished work for two schools and the Seafarers. We also packed 20 personal care bags and activity bags for young children for Women's Resources. When the bags were delivered a picture was taken for their web site. The staff is always so very appreciative of our efforts and can't thank us enough for caring. At this time we would like to thank our parish family for their continued help with items for these bags. We are a small group and any help is appreciated. A thank you letter from Women's Resources will be posted in the Parish Hall.

Our group has also helped Ursula with coffee time after church on the first Sunday each month. This social time is an important ministry.

Even though we now meet for lunch, we would welcome any woman of the parish to join us for conversation and fellowship.



A volunteer helping deliver 20 personal care and activity bags to Women's Resources!



Sisterhood's Annual pizza lunch



MUSINGS by Donna Gushue, Advisory Board Chair.....September 1, 2024

CONNECTIONS (formerly E.T.A.), **ADVISORY BOARD** and **PARISH ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTORY** are entities that fit with my interest in small groups and organizational development and my belief that people matter—**everyone needs to be APPRECIATED and feel INCLUDED.**

CONNECTIONS: If you have been at St. Paul's for a while you probably know E.T.A. started 10 years or more ago by gathering recent widows together to discuss what they missed most. Socializing and going out was the answer. We talked, listened and laughed. I did the easiest thing possible—put up a sign.

A first lunch was booked at a restaurant— they signed up, got together and enjoyed themselves---pretty simply, eh? We did other things too but you get the idea. ETA was expanded to include anyone living alone or alone for activities and eventually anyone. But couples were encouraged not to sit with each other but to mix. There has been a lull since Covid with fewer activities but it would be easy to recharge—it only takes a person to reserve at a restaurant and put up a sign up sheet.

ADVISORY BOARD: Because of my interest in organizations, I usually attended Advisory Board and during past years I took a turn as Board secretary and another time as Board Chair.

In February 2022 after listening to Rev. Bonnie's sermon, I talked to myself, then my husband, regarding whether I should volunteer to be Board Secretary because nobody had stepped up to be Wardens and Board secretary and chair were vacant. I ended up Chairperson of the Advisory Board. Little did I know that there were still no Wardens. One year has stretched to three because it is hard to leave in the middle of projects so here I am in September 2024. It has been a challenging time. But I have never doubted the goodness of people and never forgotten all of us have a need to be validated not criticized. Appreciation is needed thus, with the help of my husband, I organized a **W.A.Y** dinner.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTORY LIST: contains not only members of the Advisory Board but many people who take responsibility for the work of our church and allow their name and contact information to be listed. And there are many other "unsung heroes" who keep our church thriving.

Now I will divert my "conversation" with you and tell you about a **W.A.Y. dinner** I had at our apartment August 20th. I invited Board members and spouses because I wanted to show them my **appreciation** for all the work they have done. Of course most were on summer holidays so I invited some people on the Parish Organization Directory. It was a random process and awkward because I only had finite room and had to wait to get acceptances before I invited more....in the end we had 15 and about 20 who could not come and more who never even got an invitation. My invite stated "This event will be repeated in the fall for those of you unable to attend this first event". I hope to get the energy before December.

W. A. Y. = Who Are You?..... Just ask and listen to each other's amazing stories. My formula for this **Appreciation Event** is 3 tables of a minimum of 4 people. Have a four course simple dinner in which each hour one changes to another table....yes I gave each person a list of what course and what table....and spouses were never at the same table. Feedback—"It was a bonus to sit and chat with some people we don't see or chat with frequently so the format was conducive to that." **MY challenge** to you is for you to try something that you think will fit with the framework; "Invite, Welcome, Connect".

"Invite, Welcome, Connect" Challenge





ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB



By Lorna Green

*St. Paul's Book Club met after our summer break on September 3rd at the home of Donna Williams. The book discussed was *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. Many of us had read this book before it was selected for the book club. A popular choice.*

*We usually meet on the first Tuesday of the month but this season we will meet on October 8th and then back to usual, meeting on November 5th. Our October hostess is Shirley Hanes and the book choice is *The Girl You Left Behind* by Jojo Moyes. In November our meeting is hosted by Beverly Baxter assisted by Betty Hooper. Our book discussion will center on *Wild Irish Rose* by Rhys Bowen and Clare Broyles.*

Our November meeting format will be a departure. We are finding that meeting for a meal is becoming difficult due to issues with accommodating our numbers. And, to be honest, none of us are getting younger, so it can be a chore to host thirteen people in our homes. So we are experimenting with our November meeting with coffee, tea, and sweets rather than a luncheon. We will see if that suits us or if we want to continue with our luncheon mode.

Our book club is always enjoyable – great food, compatible company, and interesting discussions.

*"Have books 'happened' to you? Unless your answer to that question is 'yes,' I'm unsure how to talk to you."
– Haruki Murakami*



CHANCEL GUILD REPORT



The Chancel Guild is responsible for preparing the church each week for the Sunday church service, clearing up after the service as well as any special services during the week such as Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, funerals and weddings. As we have eight volunteers working in teams of two we are on duty for one week a month. Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas we all work together to decorate the church. If this ministry would be one that interests you please speak to Rev. Bonnie or me or one of the members of the guild and we can discuss any questions you might have. New members are always welcome.

If you wish to donate flowers in memory of loved ones please note the flower calendar and envelopes on the bulletin board in the main hall. Fill in the information and place it on the collection plate or speak to a Chancel member and they will take your request. Thank you to everyone who donated for flowers over the past year.

During the summer and early fall months flowers from your gardens are also appreciated.

If you have any questions please call me at (705) 324-0624.

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Submitted by Marg Brohm



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OUTREACH COMMITTEE by Gail Payne

Your Outreach Committee last met on Sept.8, 2024. We strive to serve our Lord Jesus by serving people in need in our community, our country and God's world.

Stamp Out Poverty: please continue to collect used postage stamps for this Oxfam campaign. A large envelope of stamps was again sent in July.

Our food pantry continues to aid with the great need for food supplements in our neighbourhood. We have an ongoing need of food supplies to be donated so we can help to deal with local hunger. All donations are welcomed and beneficial as our stocks are low.

Fall Outreach Service: Mike Perry will be speaking to us on Nov. 17. Mike is Metis and very involved legally with social justice issues.

Foster Children: we have had recent positive updates on our 3 SOS Foster Children, Juan (Chile), Carlos (Dominican Rep.) and Kevin (Honduras).

Queen Victoria School: please watch for a tote requesting material donations for their expressed needs.

The quarterly Allotments are as follows:

Outreach

Designated Givings

Local: Hospice Kawartha Lakes

October: Foster Children

National: Faithworks

November: Mishkodeh Indigenous Centre

International: Hope and Healing

December: Food Source

In September our Designated Givings will go to ARocha, a Christian environmental organization in recognition of the Season of Creation currently being celebrated.

Thank you all for your continued prayerful and financial support of St. Paul's many Outreach programs.

We welcome all to our quarterly meetings on the 2nd Sundays of March, June, September and December.

May God bless St. Paul's in continuing to do good works in His name.

Galatians 6:9



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Parishioners: Please check all 17 of our sponsors on pages 11, 15, and 17 each time you need to purchase goods, or services in Lindsay!! These businesses generously help with our Grapevine costs.



CHURCH ENVELOPES



Anyone who wishes to have envelopes, or if you would like to go on PAG please contact the church office at 705-324-4666.

It is a very simple process to sign up for PAG or to change your PAG. Simply phone, email or drop a note into the church office in a sealed envelope with your instructions. If you are new to PAG, please pick up the forms at the back of the church or from the office.

Please advise the church office of any change to your address or telephone number so that our records are correct. Please contact me if you have any questions regarding envelopes, Pre Authorized Givings (PAG), contributions or receipts.

NOTE : ENVELOPE NUMBER CHANGES FOR YEAR 2025.

NUMBER 126 TO 150 — YOU WILL BE ISSUED A NEW NUMBER

A LISTING OF THE CHANGES WILL BE POSTED WITH THE ENVELOPES FOR 2025.

Any unused 2024 Envelopes should be destroyed at the end of 2024. Please call me if you have any questions concerning this change.

Thank you

Marlene Wood, Envelope Secretary

Pre-Authorized Giving

PAG is a form of giving to the Church. A monthly amount is automatically deducted from your bank account or your VISA/credit card to support your church. This program enables you to give your offering intentionally, proportionally and faithfully all year long through an automatic monthly withdrawal. Forms are available online on our church website. Or by contacting the church office by phone 705-324-4666 or by email: office@st-pauls-lindsay.ca the form can be mailed to you. Thank you!



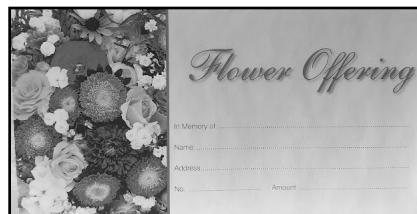
LIST OF DESIGNATED GIVINGS:

You may wish to direct a portion of your givings to a designated fund:

- 1 – Living Waters ***
- 8 – Adoption of Foster Children
- 40 – Kawartha Lakes Food Source
- 44 – Sunday School & Youth Ministries
- 60 – PWRDF
- 67 – Renovations
- 95 – Church roof renovations
- 97 – Christmas Dinner
- 99 – Outreach (Including Local Outreach)
- 100 – Place Called Home
- 101 – Special Sound System
- 101 A – A Special Jacobs Gift
- 138 A – Chancel Guild Flowers
- 146 – Choir gowns, Music
- 150 – Faithworks
- 215 – Special Outreach Projects
- 250 – Special (Rector's discretionary fund)

Do you want to donate flowers in memory of someone, or in thanksgiving for blessings received?

There is now a Flower Chart, and Flower Donation Envelopes on the bulletin board in our church hall ready to be filled out. Just put the date you wish on the chart, and complete the information on the envelope along with your donation, and take it to the church office, or place in on the collection plate during the service. Thank you! Questions? Please call Marg at 705 324-0624.



DESIGNATED GIVINGS# 215 for September is in support of [ARocha](#).

ARocha is a Christian environmental organization focused on CREATION CARE. This means parishes like ours can benefit from the wisdom, experience and success of like-minded churches. Working as “stewards of creation” we can help mend the damage that would permanently destroy the atmosphere, oceans and inhabitants of “this our fragile earth, our island home.”



Diane was busy working on this issue of the Grapevine in Montreal. C'est vrai!



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SHOPPING CARDS



Please support our Shopping Card program! You get full value for each gift card you purchase, and then the church receives a small percentage of sales when you use the card. So, while you shop, you are also supporting St. Paul's Church! Gift cards can be a handy way to shop for yourself and your family, and also to give away as gifts for birthdays, Christmas, or other occasions. Shopping cards can be purchased from the church office each week, or Sunday mornings in the church hall. If you have questions, please speak to Linda Todd, the coordinator.

Take a look at the gift cards available:

Restaurant cards available are Hobarts, Kelsey's, & Tim Horton's.

Grocery cards include Food Basics, La Mantias, Loblaws, and Bulk Barn.

Other cards: Canadian Tire, Giant Tiger, Home Hardware, & Shopper's Drug Mart.



LOOKING FOR A FEW MORE PEOPLE TO HELP WITH SUNDAY MORNING CARD SALES:

Help is needed from Parishioners to sell gift cards before and after the Church service. No experience required as you will be trained, it is a simple task that requires the recording of the card being sold and receiving payment. Just as a reminder we do take payment in cash, cheque, and debit, this way the church gets to keep a larger percentage of the funds. Please contact Linda Todd.



Lay Pastoral Visitors (by Ethel Morris)

In the Parish Profile written in 2006, it was reported that *“St. Paul’s has a team of approximately fifty volunteers who make pastoral visits to nursing homes, the local hospital and private homes. Our deacon will visit and provide Holy Communion to any who request it. Our deacon and lay visitors also provide a bi-weekly worship service at each of the nursing homes in the Lindsay area. Many of the residents have expressed their heartfelt gratitude to us providing these services.”*

Supporting and enriching these endeavours St. Paul’s also provided three annual services (Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas) at the church with transportation from the nursing homes by the buses capable of carrying people in wheelchairs and walkers. A lunch was provided at the church after the service.

We are struggling to emulate this service. At present we have approximately a dozen volunteers and no deacon. We have teams to visit all but one of the nursing homes to provide worship services, sometimes bi-weekly, sometimes once a month. Hospital visitation by lay members has not been resumed, nor have the “wheelchair services” at the holiday seasons.

Both the Toronto Diocese and the Alzheimer Society have held workshops for the St. Paul’s Lay Pastoral Visitors and probably would do so again if that would help volunteers feel more comfortable in this work. Meetings are brief and informal, three or four times a year over lunch or a cup of tea or coffee, to discuss any questions the visitors have. Volunteering can be as simple as helping a resident find the page number of the hymn we are to sing, or as difficult as a one-to-one visit to a lonely resident—your choice. By the way—thank you to those choir members who have joined some of the teams to help with the singing. The residents in the nursing homes have expressed their gratitude to those Lay Pastoral Visitors who are attempting to restore this opportunity for them to worship.

Are you interested in volunteering with our Lay Pastoral Visitors Teams? Or finding out more about this important ministry?

Please speak to Ethel Morris.



A FEW COMMUNICATION ITEMS (by D. Stecher, Editor)

The Events Team:

Don't forget to get your tickets for our Oct. 26th Mystery Dinner Theatre and the Quilt Draw! Quilt Draw tickets have been selling fast, and Mystery Dinner tickets go on sale Sept. 26th. (See pg. 3) Stay tuned for upcoming events happening later this year.

Archives:

Our Archive Committee is continuing to organize the church archives, and is very thankful for the Library and Archive's Canada DHCP grant received in March 2024.

Church Website: Update

Our new website is up and running! Check it out for lots of information about St. Paul's, upcoming events, donations, and more! Thanks to Mary Sullivan, Doug Read and Diane Stecher for all of their hard work getting the site updated!

Church Facebook:

Don't forget that we also post information on our Facebook page. If you are active on Facebook check it out!

Live-Streaming:

Now that services are back in the sanctuary, they will be live-streamed for our viewers at home, or away. Links to our live-streams and service bulletins are available on our website.

The Grapevine: Sponsors

We currently have 17 local businesses that sponsor our Grapevine. However, we are looking to get a few more. Please let us know of businesses that we can contact.

The Grapevine (our quarterly newsletter)

Our Grapevine is a major source of church information produced quarterly, and is available online or by mail. Thanks to local businesses who sponsor the Grapevine, we have been able to produce it in a very self-sustaining manner. Plus, every time you purchase goods or services from one of our sponsors—you are helping the local economy, and also proving to our sponsors that their business cards in the Grapevine work! Since we take the time to pre-sort the Grapevine printed copies, we benefit by a much-reduced postage rate from Canada Post!

A big "thank you" to our committee members who work hard on your behalf: **Betty Tindall, Beverly Baxter, Shirley Williams, Linda Todd, Diane Stecher, Lorna Green, and Barb Truax.**

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A sincere **thank you** to the groups, and individuals who submitted information, and helped with the production and distribution of this issue of "*The Grapevine*". Diane Stecher, Editor 😊



Thanksgiving Top Ten List

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians 9:11



My Top 10 List

Who or what am I thankful for?

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Photos from the Baby Shower for Kristen Stecher! (Aug. 10)





June 20th Strawberry Supper & a few more Baby Shower photos from Aug. 10th.



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WEEKLY SERVICES

Our services on Sundays are at 10:00am. **All are welcome!**

Sunday Sept. 15—Season of Creation/Pentecost 17 10am

Sunday Sept. 22—Season of Creation/Pentecost 18 10am

Sunday Sept. 29—Season of Creation/Pentecost 19 10am

Sunday Oct. 6—Season of Creation/Pentecost 20 10am

Sunday Oct. 12—Harvest Thanksgiving 10am

Sunday Oct. 20—Pentecost 22 10am

Sunday Oct. 27—Pentecost 23 10am

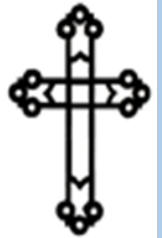
Sunday Nov. 3—All Saints 10am

Sunday Nov. 10—Pentecost 25/Remembrance Sunday 10am

Sunday Nov. 17—Pentecost 26/Outreach Sunday 10am

Sunday Nov. 24—The Reign of Christ 10am

To view services online go to our website: <https://st-pauls-lindsay.ca>



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