Advent Study - Please join us this Advent as we delve into the writings of famed Anglican theologian, C. S. Lewis, with the book *Advent in Narnia: Reflections for the Season.* We begin with looking at key moments of *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* on November 20th, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm with refreshments.

Our Advent Study begins via Zoom on Monday, November 27th at 6:30 pm. Book cost: \$20 or available on Kindle

White Ribbon Campaign – Again this year we show our support for the victims of gender-based violence by wearing white ribbons until December 6th, the anniversary of the Montreal Massacre. Be sure to take the pledge as you put on your ribbon!

Additional readers and sidespeople are needed to cover our Christmas services. If you are going to be in town and able to assist, please speak with Beverly Baxter (readers) or John Sale (sidespeople). Thank you!

Introducing a new event at St. Paul's





St. Paul's Anglican Church Pentecost 25 - Outreach Sunday Sunday November 19th, 2023

Indigenous Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that this church is situated upon traditional Indigenous territory. We recognize the enduring presence of Indigenous peoples connected to and on this land. We are grateful for the opportunity to gather on this territory and we commit ourselves to the work of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker and the Sacred Spirit. Amen.

Incumbent – The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt Honorary Assistant – The Rev. Canon Greg Physick Music Director – Diane Stecher 45 Russell St. W., Lindsay ON K9V 2W8 Tel: (705) 324-4666 Email: <u>office@st-pauls-lindsay.ca</u> Website: www.st-pauls-lindsay.ca

10:00 am BAS Holy Eucharist

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Processional Hymn CP# 526 God is Our Fortress and Our Rock

Welcome & Announcements

Sentence I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord . Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit. *John15-5*

The Greeting

- Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
- People And also with you

Celebrant: Almighty God

People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory to God (The Gloria)

Celebrant: Glory to God in the highest,

All: and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day.

All: Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn CP# 631 The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy

Please join us after the service for refreshments.

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the Glory of God and in Loving memory of Donald Bruce Tyndall given by his wife Betty, daughter Deborah and her family.

Today we welcome Lisa and Kassandra from Women's Resources as our guest speakers for Outreach Sunday. We are delighted to have them with us to heighten our awareness of human trafficking and gender-based violence.

Announcements

Upcoming Services: November 26th – Reign of Christ December 3rd – Advent 1 December 10^{th---} Advent 2 December 17th – Advent 3

Next Weeks readings: Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1: 15-23; Matthew 25: 31-46

Gift cards from a variety of retailers are available for purchase in the Hall during refreshments. This is an important fundraiser for the parish as we receive a percentage of sales.

Tickets are now on sale for St. Paul's Christmas House Tour, December 2nd from 1:00 – 5:00 pm, cost \$25. Enjoy beautifully decorated homes to start your Christmas season! Complimentary refreshments and a viewing of our beautiful church are available anytime during the tour. lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Breaking of the Bread # 4

| "I am the bread which has come down from |
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| heaven," says the Lord. |
| Give us this bread for ever. |
| "I am the vine, you are the branches." |
| May we dwell in him, as he lives in us. |
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Lamb of God (sung)

All Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us, Jesus redeemer, redeemer of the world, give us your peace, give us your peace.

Hymns during Communion

Hymn: Gentle Shepherd (Sing twice) Gentle shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way. Gentle shepherd, come and feed us, For we need your strength from day to day. There's no other we can turn to, who can help us face another day; gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, For we need you to help us find our way.

Hymn CP# 352 Amazing Grace Hymn CP# 585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

Prayer after Communion

Celebrant Let us pray,

All: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord forever and ever.

Doxology

| Celebrant | Glory to God, |
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| All | whose power, working in us, can do infinitely |
| | more than we can ask or imagine. |

reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

1st Reading Judges 4: 1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, 'The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand. Reader: This is the word of The Lord **People: Thanks be to God**

Psalm 123

1 To you I lift up my eyes, * to you enthroned in the heavens.

2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, * and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, * until he shows us his mercy.

4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, * for we have had more than enough of contempt,

5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, * and of the derision of the proud.

King of love, rule in the hearts of all people on earth through your Son Jesus Christ, that we may become one family and one kingdom serving you by serving each other. We ask this in his name. Amen.

2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader The word of the Lord **People Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn CP # 551 My Faith Looks Up to Thee (v1,2)

The Holy Gospel – Matthew 25: 14-30

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to MatthewPeopleGlory to you Lord Jesus Christ

For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and He accepted water from a woman of Samaria and offered her the water of new life. Christ knew the desolation of the cross and opened the way for all humanity into the redemption of your reconciling love.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim our hope.

People: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

- Celebrant: Pour out your Spirit on these gifts that through them you may sustain us in our hunger for your peace. We hold before you all whose lives are marked by suffering, our sisters and brothers. When we are broken and cast aside, embrace us in your love.
- People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!
- Celebrant Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O Source of all life, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

- *Celebrant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
- All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And

| Eucharistic Celebrant People Celebrant People Celebrant Celebrant | c Prayer Supplemental #2 The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord Let us give thanks to the Lord our God It is right to give our thanks and praise Eternal God, Source of all being, we give you thanks and praise for your faithful love. You call us into friendship with you and one another to be your holy people, a sign of your presence in the world. When those we trust betray us, unfailingly you remain with us. When we injure others, you confront us in your love and call us to the paths of righteousness. You stand with the weak, and those, broken and alone, whom you have always welcomed home, making the first last, and the last first. Therefore we raise our voices with angels and archangels, forever praising you and singing: |
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| All | Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. |
| Celebrant | Blessed are you, O Holy One: when Hagar was driven into the wilderness you followed her and gave her hope. When Joseph was sold into bondage, you turned malice to your people's good. When you called Israel out of slavery, you brought them through the wilderness into the promised land. When your people were taken into exile you wept with them by the river of Babylon and carried them home |

- People: Restore us, O God, let your face shine!
- Celebrant At the right time you sent your Anointed One to stand with the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed. Jesus touched lepers, and the sick, and healed them.

trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward. saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ People: Praise to you Lord Jesu Christ

Gradual Hymn CP# 551My Faith Looks up to Thee (V3,4)

Guest Speaker from Women's Resources

Apostles' Creed

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say, All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion

of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Litany # 3

(Let us offer our prayers to the source of all love and all life, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer.")

Merciful Lord, we pray for all who call themselves Christians: that we may become a royal priesthood, a holy nation, to the praise of Christ Jesus our Saviour. Lord, hear our praver.

We pray for *N* our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers: that they may remain faithful to their calling and rightly proclaim the word of truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Charles our King, for the leaders of the nations, and all in authority: that your people may lead quiet and peaceable lives.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for *this city* and those who live here, the poor and the rich, the elderly and the young, men and women: that you will show your goodwill to all. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for the victims of our society and those who minister to them: that you will be their help and defence. Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for those preparing for baptism, (for those recently baptized): that they may be strengthened in the faith. Lord, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the saints who have found favour in your sight from earliest times, prophets, apostles, martyrs, and those whose names are known to you alone: and we pray that we too may be counted among your faithful witnesses Lord, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is Kept

Celebrant : Most merciful God.

- we confess that we have sinned against you in All: thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.
- Almighty God have mercy upon you. Celebrant: pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. People Amen.

The Peace

| Celebrant: | The peace of the Lord be always with you. |
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| People: | And also with you. |

Offertory Hymn: CP# 532 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the gifts

Celebrant: Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.