

## Welcome to St. Paul's



**Children** are always welcome in worship. Some activities for kids are available at the back.

**Sunday School** is offered for ages 3-5. Proceed downstairs before worship begins.



**Washroom Facilities** are located in the lobby, through the large wooden doors on your left.



**Assisted Listening Devices** are available from the sidespeople at the entrance.



**New to St. Paul's?** We invite you to fill out a welcome sheet in the lobby so we can stay in touch.



**Learn more** about St. Paul's and join our email list by visiting our website: [stpaulsonthecommon.com](http://stpaulsonthecommon.com)



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## This Week at a Glance

### Tuesday

@ 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

### Wednesday

@ 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

@ 10 a.m. - Zoom Bible Study

### Thursday

@ 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

@ 12 p.m. - Holy Eucharist

@ 12:30 p.m. - Community Lunch

@ 7:45 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal

### Friday

@ 8:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer

### Saturday

@ 5 p.m. - Vigil Eucharist

### Next Sunday

@ 8 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

@ 10 a.m. - Sung Eucharist

## Parish Directory

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### Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### Bishop of Fredericton

The Most Rev'd David Edwards

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**Parish Visitor** - Judy Streeter

**Livestream** - Jeff Porter

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

### 5 p.m. - Vigil Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Paul Rideout

### 8 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Rideout

Lay Reader: Heidi MacDonald

Sidesperson: Charles Parker

### 10 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr. Paul Rideout

Lector: Dawn McCluskey

Lay Readers: David Reevey, Theresa Erb

Sidesperson: Joycelyn Lord

### Altar Guild

Anita Maynard, Jill Wallace, Wendy Kantor

## Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; Ps. 98:1-4

I John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

**Cover art:** Vine and the Branches. 12th century mosaic in the apse of the Basilica di San Clemente in Rome.



## The Fourth Sunday after Easter

28 April 2024

The Anglican Parish of Rothesay

### **Join us for Coffee Time**

We would be delighted if you would join us in St. Paul's Hall following the 10 a.m. service for coffee/tea and conversation!

### **Let's stay in touch!**

Are you new to St. Paul's? Have you moved recently? Would you like to receive our weekly email update? Just fill out a Parishioner Information Form located at both entrances and hand it to a sidesperson or drop it off at the office. We'd love to stay in touch with you.

### **Community Lunch**

Our community lunch has become a wonderful way to catch up with one another, to meet new friends, and to invite folk to St. Paul's. Fr. Paul has the pot on every Thursday at 12:30 p.m. This is preceded by Holy Eucharist at 12 p.m.

### **Zoom Bible Study**

Fr. Paul's weekly lectionary-based Bible study will continue each Wednesday at 10 a.m. via Zoom. If you'd like to join, just reach out to the office or Fr. Paul directly to be added to the list.

### **ACW Updates**

In June we will be mailing lightly used or new winter clothing for children, to the community of Aklavik, Northwest Territories. The Anglican church there, distributes the clothing to those in need. Donations of mitts, hats, scarves, children's clothes or a monetary gift to purchase clothing would be appreciated. Thank you for your support with this project. On May 11th the ACW will have a bake sale in conjunction with the Mother's Day Luncheon. If you would like to contribute baking to be sold that day please let us know. All contributions are welcome. Many thanks for helping with these events. - Cathy Dykeman

### **Memorial Flowers**

"In loving memory of my husband, Anthony (Tony) Mace, from your wife, Diane. We are grateful for the special memories you have left us as a father, grandfather, and great-grandfather."

### **Men's Potluck**

If you've been hesitating, you missed a great gathering at the April event. There was so much good food and interesting conversation. Plan to join us on May 7th, 5:30 p.m., and bring along your favourite dish.

### **Would you like to chat?**

Fr. Paul is always happy to connect - whether you'd like a visit, home communion, spiritual direction, prayer, or would simply like to chat. Please take the initiative to reach out! Call or text 506-607-0749.

### **Mother's Day Luncheon**

Our Mission Beyond the Parish group is planning a Mother's Day Luncheon on 11 May, 11:30-1:30. Sandwiches, tea, coffee, and sweets will be served. There will also be a book stall, jewelry table, bake sale, and jams & preserves. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. To buy your tickets, contact the Parish Office or call 506-849-2414. Proceeds go to support the outreach and charitable work of St. Paul's.

### **A Message from Mission Beyond the Parish**

As you have most likely heard the MBTP will not be holding a yard sale this year. We are going to focus on a few less tasking undertakings. Our first fund raiser will be the Mother's Day Luncheon on May 11th. At the luncheon we are planning to have a book stall and a jewelry table. For these we will be asking for donations from you. So any of your jewelry that you no longer wear and books you are ready to pass on we would be happy to have. We are not looking for boxes of books but rather 10 or so more recent publications from each donor. No magazines please. You can begin to bring these in to the church anytime. Thanking you in advance. Don't forget to get your tickets for the luncheon!

### **A note about bells**

Christians have been using bells as part of our worship since the 5th century. Bells are rung to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord", as the Psalmist urges. Thank you to Jeff McCluskey, who has been ringing our bell on Sunday mornings. Thank you also to Matthew Way, who has been playing the carillon following worship on Sunday.

Several people have also asked questions about the the bells that were in use during our services on Holy Thursday evening, at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday. These bells are called 'sanctus bells.' They are used across several Christian denominations - Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Orthodox, and Anglican. Originally, bells were just in the towers of churches. Later, they were scaled down and used inside during the Eucharist to add to the beauty and mystery of worship and to call everyone's attention to certain important moments. At Easter, we rang the bells at the Gloria to highlight its restoration to the liturgy after Lent and to heighten our celebration of the Resurrection. Bells are used ordinarily used at the Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) and at the consecration, when, at the words of institution ('this is my body...this is my blood'), we believe Jesus becomes present with us in a real and special way. We do not own our own sanctus bells at St. Paul's - they were borrowed. However, if you appreciated their use and would like to hear them used at other special times during the year, you might consider making a donation or memorial towards the cost (approx. \$150).



**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**  
*on the*  
**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

28 April 2024 at 10 a.m.

*Welcome to St. Paul's and to this Eucharist. In it we recall the last meal of Christ with his friends in the Upper Room as we celebrate his presence with us now in the breaking of bread.*

*All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion today. Please proceed to the altar rail or to the communion station at the side altar if you wish to receive. If you do not wish to receive from the chalice, cross your arms over your chest.*

*Intinction (dipping the host into the chalice) is not permitted at St. Paul's.*

*If you would like Holy Communion brought to your pew, please notify a sidesperson prior to the beginning of the liturgy.*



**Organ Prelude**

Pastoral - *Charles Wesley (1757-1834)*

**Hymn**

206 Christ the Lord is risen today

*All stand as the celebrant and assistants enter.*

**The Our Father**

**Collect for Purity**

*All.* Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Summary of the Law**

*Celebrant.* OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

*All.* **Lord, have mercy upon us and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

**Kyrie Eleison**

*Merbecke*

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Gloria in excelsis**

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant.* The Lord be with you.

*People.* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant.* Let us pray.

*All kneel.*

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Please be seated.*

*A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (4:8-12)*

When Saul had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and described for them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus. So he went in and out among them in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. He spoke and argued with the Hellenists; but they were attempting to kill him. When the believers learned of it, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus. Meanwhile the church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was built up. Living in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

*Psalms (22:25-31)*

25 Of thee cometh my praise in the great congregation; / my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him. 26 The poor shall eat and be satisfied; they that seek after the LORD shall praise him; / may your heart live for ever. 27 ALL the ends of the world shall remember, and be turned unto the LORD; / and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him. 28 For the kingdom is the LORD'S / and he is the Governor among the nations. 29 Surely to him shall all the proud of the earth bow down; / and before him shall kneel all that go down into the dust, and he that cannot keep his soul alive. 30 Their posterity shall serve him; / it shall be told of the Lord unto a generation yet to come. 31 And men shall declare his righteousness / unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done it.

*A Reading from the First Letter of John (3:18-24)*

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

## The Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit. *Alleluia.*

*All stand.*

## The Gospel Reading

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Reader.* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint John. (15:1-8)

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. 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. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire,

and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

*Reader* The Gospel of Christ.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## The Homily

*Please be seated.*

## The Creed

*All stand.*

I Believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Intercessions

*At the end of each petition:* Lord, in your mercy;

*Response:* Hear our prayer.

## The Confession & Absolution

*Minister.* Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

*All.* Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The celebrant gives the Absolution, at the end of which all respond, Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

### The Offertory

*All stand. Gifts of bread and wine are set on the altar and the collection is brought forward.*

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### The Prayer over the Gifts

*Celebrant.* Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever.

All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

*All.* All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

### The Thanksgiving & Consecration

*Celebrant.* The Lord be with you;

*People.* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant.* Lift up your hearts;

*People.* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Celebrant.* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God;

*People.* **It is meet and right so to do.**

*The celebrant continues with the Preface.*

*All sing together the Sanctus & Benedictus.*

*All.* **Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts,  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.  
Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord:  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*All kneel. The priest continues with The Consecration.*

*At the end of the Consecration, all respond Amen.*

### **The Our Father**

*Celebrant.* As our Saviour Christ hath commanded and 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 them that trespass against us; And 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.**

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant.* The peace of the Lord be always with you;

*People.* **And with thy spirit.**

### **The Prayer of Humble Access *(together)***

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his Blood, That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body, And our souls washed through his most precious Blood, And that we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

### **Agnus Dei *(sung together)***

O LAMB of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world,  
grant us thy peace.

## **THE COMMUNION**

### **Hymn during Communion**

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### **Choir Anthem**

Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep - *Philip Ledger (b.1937)*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Celebrant.* Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

*All.* **And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant.*

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Hymn



Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearts to heaven and voices raise;  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the Cross a victim  
for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ, the King of glory,  
now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits  
of the holy harvest field,  
which will all its full abundance  
At his second coming yield;  
Then the golden ears of harvest  
will their heads before him wave,  
ripened by the glorious sunshine  
from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen;  
shed upon us heavenly grace,  
rain and dew and gleams of glory  
from the brightness of thy face;  
that we, Lord, with hearts in heaven  
here on earth may fruitful be,  
and by angel-hands be gathered  
and be ever safe with thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Glory be to God on high;  
to the Father, and the Saviour,  
who has gained the victory;  
Glory to the Holy Spirit,  
fount of love and sanctity;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
To the Triune Majesty.

**Organ Postlude**

Allegro - John Bennett (1735-1784)

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