



**ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
A National Historic Site: Hamilton, Ontario, Canada

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## Sunday Service – Lent II

March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025. 11 am

### WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S

*We are so glad that you've come to worship the Lord with us today, and we hope that you will experience the presence of Christ among us. In the pew are the following tools for participation in this service. The blue "Book of Praise" contains our hymns, the red "Book of Psalms" contains the responsive psalms, and the blue "New English Bible" contains the scripture passages. If an item has an asterisk (\*), then please stand if you are able. Large print Hymnals are available in the back of the Sanctuary. An usher would be happy to help you. All are welcome to join us for Coffee hour in St. Andrew's Hall, immediately following the service today.*

### WE COME TOGETHER BEFORE GOD

Prelude "A Lamb Bears All Its Guilt Away" J. G. Walther

\*Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn 204 "Thou didst leave thy throne"

Welcome

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Response to Forgiveness

Gloria Patri

### WORD OF GOD READ AND PROCLAIMED

Reader: Joel Swenor

\*Responsive Psalm 27:1-6 ref. II

Genesis 15:1-12 (page 15, OT)

Luke 13:31-35 (page 93, NT)

\*Hymn 493 "How blessed are the ones who hear"

Anthem "Wash Me Thoroughly"

Sermon "Sometimes Ordinary People Hear the Prophets"  
Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis

Silent Reflection

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD WITH CELEBRATION

\*Hymn 208 "In the cross of Christ I glory"

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer 831 *Book of Praise*

Announcements

The Offering

Offertory Solo "Humbly I Adore Thee" Benedictine Plainsong  
Soloist: Myke Hutchings

\*The Doxology 830 *Book of Praise*

Prayer of Dedication

### WE GO FORTH IN THE JOY OF THE LORD

\*Hymn 778 "Lord, you give the great commission"

Benediction

\*Hymn 20 "The steadfast love of the Lord"

Postlude "O God, Be Merciful to Me" J. N. Hanff

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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St. Paul's is situated on the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee, and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. All peoples have been invited into this treaty in the spirit of peace, friendship and respect. We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. Land acknowledgments are essential as we move forward on a path to reconciliation and are guided by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action.

## AN INCLUSIVE & AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

The church is called to be a welcoming, nurturing, loving and supportive community—a true church family. As affirmed by the 2021 General Assembly, all people whatever their sexual orientation or gender identity are equally beloved by God. The Session of St. Paul's endorses these truths and will strive to create a church where all people are included and affirmed.

## PLEASE NOTE: GALLERY SEATING IS CLOSED

For insurance reasons, the gallery seating around the top of the sanctuary is not open to the public. Only the individual who is coordinating the live stream will be in the gallery. We invite you to join us in the pews on the main floor of the Sanctuary as you worship with us today. Thank you.

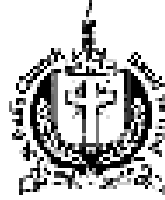
## IN CASE OF EMERGENCY



An automated external defibrillator is available in the hallway outside the main office.

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## ST. PAUL'S VISION



**St. Paul's Presbyterian Church is a Christian community in downtown Hamilton, embodying Jesus' acceptance and love of all people and supporting the growth of God's people in faith and service.**

## ST. PAUL'S TEAM

Interim Moderator:	Rev. Dr. J. Mark Lewis
Clerk of Session:	Jer Dubash
Director of Music:	Blair Havers
Chimer:	Branden Moffat
Custodian:	Ruparain Sydney
Office Administrator:	Lydia Ekodeu
Today's Ushers:	Murray McDowall, North Aisle Trish Haycock, South Aisle

## ST. PAUL'S CONTACT INFO

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Request for Volunteers –**

Helping Hands Street Mission is looking for volunteers to help them move. A variety of types of support is needed, including packing and unpacking boxes, moving furniture and equipment, and cleaning and organizing the new space. Volunteers are needed from March 17<sup>th</sup> to March 28<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, please contact Lisette Sayes at 905-512-8623 or [lisette@hhsHamilton.com](mailto:lisette@hhsHamilton.com).

### **Request for School Supplies –**

The Al Amal Learning Centre is in need of school supplies for their programs. Donations will be collected in St. Andrew's Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Ida. Thank you for your generosity!

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

### **Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

11:00am: Sunday Service

12:00pm: Coffee Hour

6:00pm: Hamilton Beat Harmonic

### **Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

7:30pm: Scottish Dance

### **Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

7:00pm: Finance & Property Meeting

### **Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

9am-3pm: Church office is OPEN

### **Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>**

5:30pm: Friday Night Meeting in Centennial Hall

### **Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

10:00am: Choir Rehearsal

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