

### **Worship – Sunday, September 8th, 2024**

Welcome once again to Pastor Trevor Tristram, our guest preacher this Sunday. If you are not able to join us in-person on Sunday morning at 10 a.m., please click on the link below and join us on-line any time.



<https://youtube.com/live/IVMUoBPQCq0?feature=share>

### **Office Hours**

**Please note that the office will be closed next Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.**

Otherwise, the office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to noon, with Judy in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Louise is working Wednesdays and Thursdays only until mid-September and is in the office on Wednesday mornings only. The balance of Wednesdays and Thursdays she works from home.

### **Connecting Together**

The Connections group meets every Thursday from 2:00 -3:00 p.m. in the Atrium at St. Paul's. All are welcome to join us for coffee/tea, good conversation and storytelling. We welcome new folks at any time throughout the year and will continue over the summer months.

### **Congregational Life**

We extend our deepest condolences to the **family of Lisa King**, who passed away on August 29th, 2024. Lisa was a member of St. Paul's as well as a member of the UCW. Please keep Lisa's family in your thoughts and prayers.

### **Poppy Display**



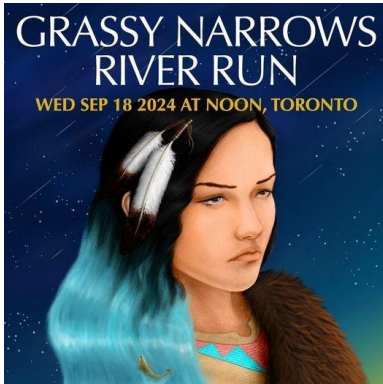
As a tribute to and in memory of all those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom, St. Paul's United Church is recognizing them with a poppy display on the front of our building. Volunteers will be knitting or crocheting poppies which will be attached to a mesh backing and hung facing King Street. If you would like to join us in this program, you can

pick up a pattern at the church office or at worship on Sunday and bring back your completed poppies to the church office by Thanksgiving.

## UCW Meeting

The UCW will have **their next meeting on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m. in the Parlour. We will have a guest speaker from Hospice Huronia. All women of the congregation are welcome to attend.

## Grassy Narrows River Run



The United Church of Canada has officially endorsed the Grassy Narrows River Run being held on September 18, 2024. The Climate Justice staff team and Indigenous Ministries and Justice are working collaboratively to support the grassroots people organizing [Grassy Narrows River Run](#). We are inviting all United Church folks across Turtle Island to join with them on their path to achieve mercury justice and freedom!

How can your United Church community/congregation support the River Run? Amplify their social media. Invite your community of faith, family and friends to join the people of Grassy Narrows on September 18, 2024, at noon in Toronto. Pray. Ring church bells. Donate. Advocate. You can find further details by reading the [recent River Run news post](#) and/or contacting [justice@united-church.ca](mailto:justice@united-church.ca).

## Coffee Hour

Our next Coffee Hour will be **on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>** following worship and will be hosted by Marlis Dupuis and her team.



## New Security Cameras

We continue to raise funds towards the cost of the new security cameras. The installation is now complete. The congregation needs to raise \$5,000 and **so far, we have raised \$2,750 towards this purchase**. If you're able to help, donations can be made to church office. Please mark your payment "Security Camera Fund."

## UCW Garage Sale

St. Paul's UCW will be holding their **annual Garage Sale on September 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please set aside any items in your home you don't need/want any longer and we will pass them on for someone else to enjoy while we raise needed funds for our work. **You can drop off your items for the sale on Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.** Any questions can be directed to Zena at 705-527-6789 or [zenapendlebury@gmail.com](mailto:zenapendlebury@gmail.com)



St. Paul's United Church Women

Saturday Sept. 28, 2023  
8:30 – 1:00

St. Paul's United Church  
308 King Street, Midland  
(next door to the library)

Clothing Boutique, tools, toys, books,  
new and old items, small furniture pieces.  
Something for everyone!

The UCW also **need a couple of clothes racks for their sale**, so if anyone has some they can lend, please contact Doreen Gunson at 705-209-0534 or e-mail her at [doreenandken15@gmail.com](mailto:doreenandken15@gmail.com)

## **Save the date**

***The Knitting Pilgrim is coming to St. Paul's – Friday November 1, 2024***, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Come hear Kirk Dunn tell the story of his 15-year artistic and spiritual journey hand knitting this ambitious project while looking at the reasons why the faiths struggle to get along today, the meaning of art, the hell of grant writing and the power of love to overcome major obstacles (and minor mishaps). A few individuals who have seen this performance have indicated that they were blown away by the session.

Tickets (\$25) will be available for purchase in advance (starting Sept 2024) or by cash at the door. Watch St. Paul's website, Facebook page or the weekly update for further information.



## **St. Paul's website**

Want to know what's going on at St. Paul's? Visit our **website** at <https://www.stpaulsmidland.org/>. There is lots of information and worth the look. You can also follow us on **Facebook** at <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=st.%20paul%27s%20united%20church>

## **This Week's Minute for Mission**



Through your generous support of Mission and Service, our partners are nurturing seeds of wisdom and faith in communities across the globe. By supporting educational initiatives, individuals are empowered to explore their spirituality, deepen their knowledge, and build a better future for themselves and their communities.

Imagine a classroom of [kindergarteners in a refugee camp](#) where children eagerly gather to learn about the world and their place in it. Picture a young adult discovering the [profound teachings of their faith](#) for the first time, safely supported by their peers. Consider a group of [parents and guardians gathered in a workshop](#), sharing their hopes and dreams for their communities, guided by mentors who inspire them to lead with compassion and justice. Imagine people learning and [restoring lost languages](#) to preserve precious history and culture.

These moments of growth are at our heart, and they are made possible by your compassion and generosity. As we look to the future, the impact of educational initiatives through Mission and Service partners becomes even clearer. Every lesson

learned, every skill acquired, and every relationship built contributes to a larger tapestry of hope and resilience.

Whether it's a child in a rural classroom or an adult in a leadership program, the education provided through [Mission and Service](#) partners is a beacon, guiding individuals toward a path of faith, understanding, and service. Together, we are sowing the seeds of a more compassionate world. Thank you.

### **Blessings everyone**

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