

St. Paul's United Church**June 16, 2024****Musical Prelude*****Ragtime*****Nino Michaud**

Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

We remember with gratitude that we live and worship on lands that are by law the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. May we live with respect on this land and in peace and friendship with its peoples.

Welcome

A Time of Silence

Light the Christ Candle

MV #85***Take, O Take Me as I Am (2x, Remain Seated)***

Light the Peace Candle

MV #58***We Sing of Your Glory (Remain Seated)***

Exchange the Peace of Christ

Opening Prayer

When the wind rises and the storms rage you are there O Lord, walking beside us and giving us hope. And when the voices cry out, and the bombs fall, you are still there, giving courage to those who struggle. We thank you for your never-ending presence, and your faith in us. For you see something in us that others do not. Forgive us when we treat others as if they are of no account, as if they are just collateral damage, as if they are not worth our care and concern. Forgive us, that we might walk in your ways. Forgive us, for you are the only one who can...

The Lord's Prayer

MV#64

Because you Came

PSALM 20 (#742 Voices United, read responsively)

(One) May God answer you in the day of trouble,
and the name of God defend you.

**(All) May God send you help from the sanctuary,
and give you support from the holy mountain.**

(One) May God remember all your offerings,
and accept your burnt sacrifices.

**(All) May God grant you your heart's desire,
and give success to all your plans.**

(One) May we rejoice in your victory
And triumph in the name of our God,

(All) May God fulfil your every wish.

(One) Now I know, O God, that you help your anointed,

**(All) and will answer from your holy heaven
with the victorious might of your right hand.**

(One) Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses;

(All) but we will trust in the name of our God.

(One) they will totter and fall;

(All) but we shall rise and stand upright.

(One) God, save those who rule,

(All) and answer us when we call.

SPECIAL MUSIC

In His Time

St. Paul's Choir

Time with the Young at Heart

We make our Offering

Offering Prayer:

As we make our offerings, we pause and remember how kind you have been to us O God. May we be as generous with others and with you, as you are with us. Bless the gifts we bring, that they might offer hope and peace to others. We pray in Your name, the creator of all. Amen.

GOSPEL: **Mark 4:26-38**

Sermon

Music of Meditation *Just A Closer Walk* Nino Michaud

OUR SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Opening Words

MV #197 *Bread of Life Broken and Shared*

(One) We hold in our hands and hearts
...words that have been offered for centuries:

The Lord be with you
(All) And Also with you

Lift up your hearts

(All) We lift them up to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

(All) It is right to give God thanks and praise

We praise you loving God, for you created all things...
...so it is we join in our words of praise:

**(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**

...the mystery of faith

**(All) Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again**

**this is our story,
this is our faith,
this is the meal we share**

(One) The Words of Institution
We share the bread and wine

SPECIAL MUSIC

In The Garden

Brenda Barnes

Our Prayers

MV#176

Three Things I Promise (v1,2,3,6)

Blessing