

**ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 17, 2025**

**10:30 AM**

\* *Stand if you are able* **Bold: Said by all**

**All hymns, scriptures and congregational prayers are projected.**

Musical Prelude:

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

\* *Entry of the Word*

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

\* *Hymn: "Now Thank We All Our God"* (#457)

Prayer of Praise

Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Choir Anthem: "Like A River In My Soul" arranged by Tim Osiek  
Edited by Dan Forrest

Children's Story:

*Children & Worship and Jr. High students are invited to go downstairs.  
Sr. High students are welcome to stay in the Sanctuary or go with the  
Jr. High students, whatever they are most comfortable with.*

**THE WORD PROCLAIMED**

Prayer for Illumination: "Speak, Lord, in the Stillness" (#442)  
(sung by the Choir)

Scripture: Luke 12:49-56

One: These are the words of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE**

SILENT REFLECTION

**OUR RESPONSE**

\* *Hymn: "Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven"* (#407)

***Declaration of Faith:*** (projected)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory:

\* *Doxology* (#830)

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**ORGANIST:** Ian M. **PIANIST:** Rebecca S.

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Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayers

***The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)*** (spoken; projected)

Announcements

**SENDING**

\* *Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"* (#651)

\* Benediction

\* *"Go Now In Peace"* (projected)

\* Exit of the Word Musical Postlude

<i>Greeters:</i>	<i>Bob &amp; Linda D.</i>
<i>In-Worship Greeter:</i>	<i>Deb M.</i>
<i>A.V. Booth:</i>	<i>Nancy J. and Luke J.</i>
<i>Reader:</i>	<i>Ruth Anne C.</i>
<i>Tellers:</i>	<i>Marg D. and Jacklyn N.</i>
<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Willie &amp; Jacklyn N.</i>
<i>Lift:</i>	<i>Jane A.</i>
<i>Summer Sunday School:</i>	<i>Judy M. and helper</i>
<i>Jr. &amp; Sr. High (Gr. 6-12)</i>	<i>Susan S.</i>
<i>Lemonade Hosts:</i>	<i>Grace M. and Jan S.</i>

Welcome to Worship at St. Paul's. May you experience the enlivening presence of God as you gather with God's family to celebrate God's amazing grace. We extend a special welcome to anyone who is worshipping with us for the first time today. Please record your presence by signing the guest register at the back of the sanctuary. Bulletins and headphones may be obtained from ushers. Thank you to Becky S. who is sitting in for Ian M. while he and Jan are on holiday.

However carefully we observe and watch and study it, surprising things keep on taking place. We keep on being surprised because we are in on something beyond our management, something over our heads.

— Eugene Peterson

***ST. PAUL'S: "A witness in Norfolk to the transforming love of Jesus."***

ST. PAUL'S – August 17 to August 24, 2025			
17	Sunday	Worship Service	10:30 AM
18	Monday	VON SMART® Exercise	9:15 to 10:15 AM
19	Tuesday	Praise & Prayer	10:00 to 11:30 AM
		HN PAR Program	4:00 to 8:30 PM
20	Wednesday	TOPS	9:00 to 11:00 AM
21	Thursday	Front Door Ministry	8:30 AM
22	Friday	VON SMART® Exercise	9:15 to 10:15 AM
		CCSYR Prayer Gathering	4:30 to 7:30 PM
24	Sunday	Worship Service	10:30 AM

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

August 17, 2025



**VAN GRONINGEN:** Mary and family would like to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during our loss of our beloved Janet Cook. Thank you for your prayers and condolences.



**LEMONADE:** During the summer, from July 6 to August 31, we enjoy lemonade and fellowship after the worship service. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Library to volunteer.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We are hoping to have children worshipping with us all summer long. We have an easy curriculum ready to go! What we need is one adult and another adult or youth each week; and yes, men are encouraged to sign up, too! Please check out the curriculum box and sign-up sheet just inside the Lower Hall. Even if you are not sure when you might be available, there is a place to sign your name and come back later to choose your date. **In August we have one leader who is feeling called to serve each week, but she will need an adult or high school student to join her. If you have any questions please speak to Judy MacIntosh.**



**CCSYR PRAYER GATHERING:** Starting Friday evenings in August The Catholic Community Services of York Region will be hosting weekly prayer gatherings at St. Paul's for our local offshore workers.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS:** New photos welcome! If you have a photo you would like to share, please send to the office.

## Praise and Prayer on Tuesday, August 19

Please join us for a quiet, reflective hour of prayer and discussion at 10 AM. We will meet in the lobby just outside Nancy's office, and then, if weather permits, we will spend some time in the courtyard. We will be discussing the Rule Of Life.

## VIDEO SERIES FOR YOUTH GRADE 6-12

Every Sunday throughout the summer months, we will be offering a time in the youth room to enjoy a short video animation dramatizing various characters from the Bible and their lives (Judah Sketch Animation). There will be time at the end to discuss anything that comes up that the youth would like to comment on. The youth will have the choice to attend this or to help in the Summer Sunday School for younger children. Please bring a friend to enjoy this with you!

## LAY READERS

The office has updated the Lay Reader Schedule for 2025/2026. Please check your mailbox for a printed copy of the schedule. Thank you.

## COMMUNITY INFO – SEE BULLETIN BOARD for more information

### FOOD TOUR OF NORFOLK: RAFFLE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Proudly benefiting the Terry Fox Foundation. One grand prize of local restaurant gift certificates and vouchers. See poster on bulletin board.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**NAME TAGS & DIRECTORY:** All members are encouraged to wear their name tags – this will be helpful to identify new faces. If you would like a name tag or a directory, please contact the office.

**BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Please note that the church office shares birthday/anniversary information that they have on file. Please contact the office to update your information and/or to provide direction regarding authorization for posting.

**PARKING:** Please leave the Lot Street parking spaces open for those members who have mobility issues. Thank you.

**E-TRANSFERS:** St. Paul's is able to receive your donations/offerings via e-transfer at the email [stpaulsinsimcoe@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsinsimcoe@gmail.com). To ensure your offerings are directed as you wish, i.e., to Current fund or other, please include this specific information when making the e-transfer.

**Please also remember to include both your first and last names.**

**PRE-AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE:** Remember that our PAR Program is available to help make your offering more convenient. If you would like more information about PAR, or to enroll in this pre-authorized monthly giving plan, please contact the church office for assistance.

**MAILBOXES:** Please check your mailbox for your interim statement and your Summer News 'N Views.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Calendar

Website: [stpaulsdowntown.com](http://stpaulsdowntown.com)

Summer Hours: July & August

Wednesdays & Thursdays

9 AM to 4 PM

**ST. PAUL'S: "A witness in Norfolk to the transforming love of Jesus."**

## ANTHEM LYRICS: "Like A River In My Soul"

*I've got peace like a river,  
like a river in my soul.*

*I've got peace like a river,  
soothing river, calmly flow.*

*When the world closes in,  
feel the stillness within.*

*I've got peace like a river,  
like a river in my soul.*

*I've got love like an ocean,  
like an ocean in my soul.*

*I've got love like an ocean,  
endless ocean, deep and full.*

*When you're lost and alone,  
let the waves bring you home.*

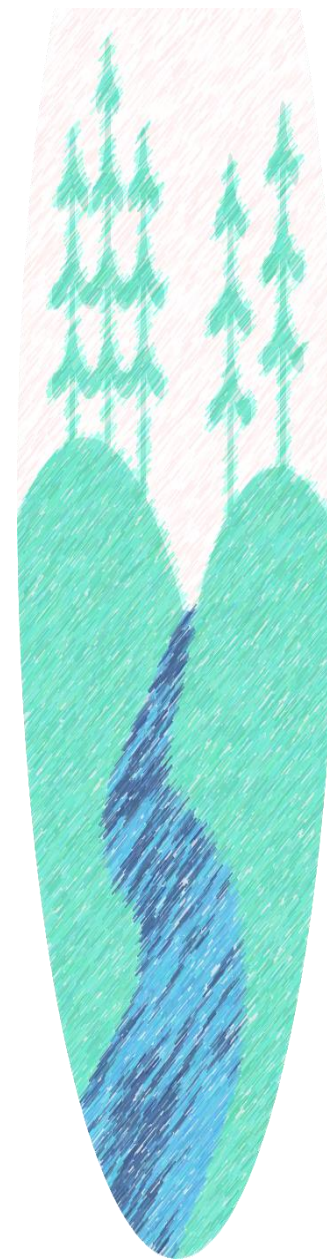
*I've got love like an ocean,  
like an ocean in my soul.*

*I've got joy like a fountain,  
like a fountain in my soul.*

*I've got joy like a fountain,  
like a fountain in my soul.*

*When your hope nearly dies,  
just remember,  
once again you shall rise!*

*I've got joy like a fountain,  
love like an ocean,  
peace like a river,  
in my soul,  
like a fountain,  
like an ocean,  
like a river in my soul.*



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