

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day/Christian Family Sunday

May 10, 2026

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 and Announcements

Call to Worship

* Gathering Hymn: "As The Deer"

(#27)

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: And may the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Choir Anthem: "Creator Rhythm"

by Pepper Choplin

Time With Our Children

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 Lesson: Mark 7:24-30

p. 1436

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "THE GREAT FAITH OF A MOTHER"

SILENT REFLECTION

OUR RESPONSE

* Hymn of Response: "O Breath Of Life, Come Sweeping Through Us" (#384)

Declaration of Faith:

(projected)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory:

MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Ian M.

PIANIST: Rebecca S.

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* Doxology

(#79)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of The People

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

(spoken; projected)

Announcements

SENDING

* Parting Hymn: "Lord Of All Power"

(#626)

* Benediction

* "Go Now In Peace"

(projected)

* Exit of the Word

Musical Postlude

Greeters:	Bob & Linda Dawson
In-worship Greeter:	TBD
A.V. Booth:	Linda M. and Barbara G.
Reader:	Janny S.
Tellers:	Ian S. and Doreen P.
Ushers:	Carol C. and Marg D.
Lift:	Ian M.
Nursery:	Nicole A. and Nancy J.
Children in Worship:	Youngmi K. and David H.
Jr. High (Gr. 6-9)	Erin B. and Rita P.
Coffee Hosts:	Grace M. and Una M.

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 our ushers.

We welcome The Rev. Issa Saliba as guest minister to St. Paul's today. He and his wife Eleanore retired to Delhi after many years of dedicated service and now make St. Andrew's Tillsonburg their home church. Our own Beth Smith remembers him fondly when she served as Clerk of Oak Ridges Presbytery and he was minister at St. Andrew's in Maple Ontario. Small world!

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ST. PAUL'S – May 10 to May 17, 2026

10	Sunday	Worship Service	10:30 AM
11	Monday	VON SMART® Exercise	9:15 to 10:15 AM
12	Tuesday	Praise & Prayer	10 to 11:30 AM
		HN PAR Program	4:00 to 8:00 PM
13	Wednesday	TOPS	9:00 to 11:00 AM
14	Thursday	Front Door Ministry	8:30 AM
		Finance & Stewardship	9:30 AM
		Book Study	1:30 PM
		Christian Nurture	4:00 PM
		Senior Choir Practice	7:30 PM
15	Friday	VON SMART® Exercise	9:15 to 10:15 AM
17	Sunday	Worship Service	10:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 10, 2026



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Best wishes are extended this week to Des D. !!!

LUNCH BUNCH

Place: Gator BBQ (at Little River Inn)

203 Queensway West, Simcoe

When: Noon on Thursday, May 14th

RSVP: If you plan to attend, please let Peggy McArthur know at 43pmca@eastlink.ca or 519-426-7796 by **May 8**. Thank you.



REMINDER: Nominations for Session are being received until May 10 (today). Pink nomination forms are in the Library and also with the ushers.



CAMP KINTAIL IN NEED OF PUTTERS: The newest addition to the summer fun at Camp Kintail is a portable mini putt course! They are in need of used putters. If you have any laying around that you wouldn't mind parting with, please speak to Janet Fulton and she will arrange to get them from you and up to camp. Thank you!

ENTRY TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY: For anyone having one of those days when they are running late, please note that the wooden doors at the top of the cement steps are unlocked for the duration of the service. The glass doors are locked at 10:31 AM, for security reasons.



“NOT A CHOIR”: Taking a Summer Pause

As we lost our Pianist this past week (to his cottage), it seems like a good time put singing “on hold” until the Fall. Thank you to all the people who came out. Have a good summer! – Anne S.

CAMP KINTAIL: It's not too early to be thinking about summer camp. Use the link for program information. Funding assistance is available for campers; please contact the church office for more information.

BOOK CLUB: Session Five (Chapters 16-18, pp. 260-262) will be held on Thursday, May 14, 1:30 PM, in the Parlour.



CHILDREN AND WORSHIP: Our Children and Worship program is ready and waiting for children 3 years of age to Gr. 5. Encourage family and friends to join us. There's an information pamphlet on the desk at the entrance to the sanctuary.

MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION for NP&FRC: The Mission Committee will be collecting items for the Norfolk Pregnancy & Family Resource Centre on May 10. For details, please see the bulletin board.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

PARKING: Please leave the Lot Street parking spaces open for those members who have mobility issues. Also, please remember that the parking lot at St. Paul's Court is for their tenants. Thank you.

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.

E-TRANSFERS: St. Paul's is able to receive your donations/offerings via e-transfer at the email 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.

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.



DIRECTORY PHOTOS: There are several folks who are in the church directory without a photo. Please contact the office if you wish to have your photo included.

MAILBOXES: Please check your mailbox for correspondence, name tags, cards, newsletters and your first quarter receipt.



COMMUNITY NOTES (see Library bulletin board for more details)

**WORSHIP AND PRAYER EVENT: SUNDAY, MAY 24 FROM 6 TO 7:30 PM
HOMECRAFT BUILDING, NORFOLK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Come celebrate God’s goodness and our Norfolk Community. Leave blessed and inspired to shine your light here where we live. Presented by the Simcoe Ministerial and Church Out Serving.

**OPP PRESENTATION RE: SCAMS: TUESDAY, JUNE 9 AT 7:00 PM
ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH, 150 COLBORNE STREET SOUTH**

All are welcome. Brad from the OPP will be talking to us about SCAMS. Hosted by St. James United Church Women. Please RSVP by June 1 so that enough resource material is available.

“RUTH”: SATURDAY, JUNE 27 AT 7:30 PM

ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH, 150 COLBORNE STREET SOUTH

Presented by acclaimed performing company Arcady Ensemble. “Ruth” is a moving story of immigration and welcoming newcomers into one’s homeland. The drama follows the life of Ruth, an independent, strong and hopeful woman as she searches for a better life for herself and her people.

**St. Paul’s is Looking for
a New Custodian**

If you are interested in this position, or know someone who might be interested, please let the office know by May 24th. We will get back to you with details.



LOOKING AHEAD

During the month of May, please direct any pastoral care issues to your Elder and/or to the church office.

Our guest preachers for the month of May are as follows:

- May 10: Rev. Issa Saliba
- May 17: Rev. Paul Robinson
- May 24: Rev. Ian Shaw – Communion Service
- May 31: Rev. Ian Shaw

ANTHEM: “CREATOR RHYTHM”



*Refrain: O Lord. Creator rhythm.
Creator rhythm in my heart and soul,
Creator rhythm.
Creator rhythm in my heart and soul. (x3)*

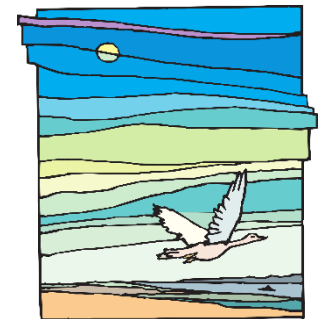
From the mountains to the oceans,
there’s a rhythm through all the earth.
Ev’ry creature, ev’ry human
moves in your rhythm upon their birth.

Refrain

As the winds blow, and the trees flow
with the whimsical breezes you send.
There is swaying, there is dancing
with the rhythm and the flow of the wind.

When the raindrops play in staccato,
and the thunder like timpani rolls.
See the flashing, strobing, crashing,
the divinity symphony flows.

Refrain



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