



THE *Messenger*

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For the Sake of the Common Good

Former minister, Allan Saunders, has gifted the book *For the Sake of the Common Good* to St. Paul's. The book is a collection of essays in honour of Lois Wilson.

Born in Winnipeg in 1927, Lois Wilson was the first female moderator of the United Church Of Canada, the first female president of the Canadian Council of Churches, and the first woman and first Canadian president of the North American region of the World Council of Churches. A respected human rights defender and activist for peace and social justice around the world, she was appointed by successive Canadian governments to help missions in Korea, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Sudan, among others, over her long and distinguished career

For the Sake of the Common Good is a tribute to the life and work of this remarkable Canadian.

The book is available for loan from the office.

Sacrament of Communion

Communion will be held Sunday, June 5, 2022. The distribution of the elements will be done with the use of the "Fellowship Cups."



St. Paul's International Pastoral Charge

First Presbyterian Church of Portal, Knox United of North Portal and St. Paul's United Church of Estevan have been in covenant of shared ministry since 2005.

First Presbyterian has indicated by letter that they wish to be released from this covenant. This will officially happen in October, 2022.

We will miss them. They have been an essential part of our church family. A chance to celebrate and give thanks for their contributions will take place later this year.

Mission Statement: *St. Paul's United is a prairie-rooted, people church, centered on Holy Mystery. We experience the gift of grace – forgiveness, new life, God's unconditional love – as we open our doors and hearts to people of all ages, stages and walks of life. We live as a community of faith carried on the winds of God's Spirit.*

Leadership Team (LT)

There are still a couple of vacancies on the LT. Contact Chair Diane Wrubleski to express your interest to be part of this team

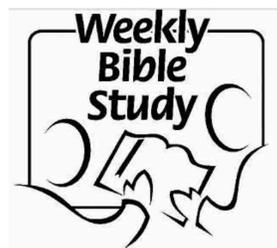
Ministry/Personnel Committee

The LT is looking for additional members to serve on this vital committee.

Bible Study

A weekly bible study will be held in the minister's study on Wednesday's at 10:00 am.

Interested folks are asked to contact the office or Jeri-Lee.



Fair Booth

Paul Deren and Wade Wrubleski are the co-convenors for our fair booth this year. They will be looking for your assistance so be prepared to volunteer some of your time when they ask. The Energy City Ex is scheduled for



June 9-12, 2022 with the Midway occurring over all four days. The KCRA Rodeo is coming to town on the weekend, which is the later days of the event. The Fair Booth is a great fundraiser for our church.

Financial Matter\$

January 1 — April 30, 2022

Income \$31,230

Expenses \$62,130

Notes of Sympathy and Celebration

From time to time, St. Paul's expresses its sympathy and/or joy of celebration by sending out a card to members of our community of faith. Please contact the office if you have an interest in taking on this responsibility for St. Paul's.

Organists/Pianists Required

St. Paul's is still looking for itinerant organists and pianists to provide Sunday Worship music. Anyone interested is asked to contact the church office.

Upcoming Events

May 29, 2022 — Community Worship at St. Paul's @ 11:00

July 31, 2022 — Community Worship Service TBD.

Fall, 2022 — Auditorium Sale

October 30, 2022 — Community Worship Service at Trinity Lutheran @ 10:30

Auditorium Sale

Patty Schachtel has stepped forward to convene the Auditorium Sale. It will be held this coming Fall. Thanks, Patty!

Donated items can be brought to the church during office hours and left on the auditorium stage. If your donation includes items suitable for the **Christmas Bazaar** please box separately and label the box "Christmas Bazaar" and leave in the church office.

Baptism/Blessing

Due to weather, the Sacrament of Baptism was postponed to a later date. Candidates for baptism are Brittany Fernell, Brooks Fernell and Rylan Holtz.



Children receiving a blessing are Colour Fu, Alexander Thay, and Simon Fraser Thay.

Memorial Gifts

You may wish to make a charitable donation to St. Paul's Memorial Fund in memory or honour of a loved one. Memorial gifts are used for special needs of the church, such as furnishings, instruments and music. Donations are recorded in a Memorial Book which is kept on display in the Church.

Ecumenical Shared Ministries

St. Giles, St. Paul's and Trinity Lutheran churches have met several times over the past months to discuss and share around the concept of Ecumenical Shared Ministries.



An ecumenical shared ministry is people worshipping and serving God in a unified way while still maintaining their denominational

identity and connections.

Ecumenical shared ministries are most often formed when there are two or more small congregations that cannot support themselves, but continue to have a common need for Christian fellowship and a strong desire to worship God together. Formerly this was most common in rural communities; now it is also occurring in urban centres. Ecumenical shared ministries are also formed when faith communities of different denominations believe that they will be better able to provide Christian outreach and ministry together rather than separately.

Any matters arising from these discussions will be decided by our congregation.