



# THE Messenger

September Edition, 2022

## Organ Dedication & Recognition

September 25 provides the family of St. Paul's an opportunity to celebrate! At our 11:00 am worship service we will celebrate the dedication of our new organ and those whose faith and generosity made that happen.

Sandra Young Tangjerd will be our guest organist. Also we will recognize and celebrate Shirley Andrist for her contributions as organist from 1957 to 2022. Drink and cake will be served after the worship service.

Sandra Young Tangjerd will be our performing organist at a 2:00 pm organ recital in honour of Shirley. Free-will admission. Please share with others!



## Card of Appreciation

A card of appreciation for Shirley Andrist is in the office for those who wish to stop by and sign it.

## Reflection on Reconciliation

Reverend Allan Saunders, former minister at St. Paul's from 1983 to 1990, recently gave a powerful reflection on reconciliation. Scripture is from Acts 4. You can find his reflection on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/QNQi2t27ZNg>. The link can be found on our website and on our Facebook page.

## 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.

## Sacrament of Communion

Having some difficulty finding ministry personnel to oversee the Sacrament of Communion, the Leadership Team and the Ministry and Personnel Committee are exploring the concept of the Agape Meal.

**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.*

The Love Feast, or Agape Meal, is a Christian fellowship meal recalling the meals Jesus shared with disciples during his ministry and expressing the koinonia



(community, sharing, fellowship) enjoyed by the family of Christ. It is not the same as Holy Communion or the Eucharist.

The Love Feast has often been held on occasions when the celebration of the Lord's Supper would be inappropriate—where there is no one present authorized to administer the Sacrament, when persons of different denominations are present who do not feel free to take Holy Communion together, when there is a desire for a service more informal and spontaneous than the communion ritual, or at a full meal or some other setting to which it would be difficult to adapt the Lord's Supper. One of the advantages of the Love Feast is that any Christian may conduct it.

### **Ministry/Personnel Committee**

The LT is looking for additional members to serve on the Ministry and Personnel (M&P) Committee. We are pleased to inform you that Sharilee Schnell has been appointed to this committee. If you would like to serve in this vital area, please contact the church office.

### **Financial Matter\$**

January 1 — July 31, 2022

Income	\$75,664.13
Expenses	\$111,781.27

### **GriefShare**

The Salvation Army is running a new program in the fall called GriefShare. It is a support program designed for those mourning the death of a loved one. It runs for 13 weeks and costs \$20 per person for the 13 weeks (to cover the cost of their workbooks, there are scholarships available if someone cannot afford it).

GriefShare runs:

- Saturdays from September 17 to December 10, 2022
- 9:00-11:00 AM (coffee and light refreshments available)
- The Salvation Army Cornerstone Church
- 1107 4th Street
- To register call Jacki at 306-634-2074

### **Want to Assist with Worship?**

If you would like to assist with our worship services by volunteering to greet people or read scriptures, please contact the church office or write your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

## Messy Church

Messy Church is being held Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at St. Giles Anglican Church.

Messy Church is church that is fun! It celebrates faith with creativity and hospitality!



Everyone is invited to this event. Family attendance is encouraged.

### Organists/Pianists Required

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

### Upcoming Events

- *August 28, 2022* — Worship led by Kendra Gonczy @10:00 am.
- *September 4, 2022* — Worship led by Sharon Elliott @10:00 am.
- *September 11, 2022* – Worship led by Henry Friesen @11:00 am.
- *September 18, 2022* – Worship led by Emily Gillies @11:00 am.
- *September 23, 2022 (Friday)*— Auditorium Sale from 3:00 to 7:00 pm
- *September 24, 2022 (Saturday)* — Auditorium Sale from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

- *September 25, 2022* – Worship led by Emily Gillies @11:00 am. (Dedication of Organ and Recognition of Shirley Andrist for her many years as organist)
- *September 25, 2022* — Organ recital with guest Sandra Young Tangjerd @2:00 pm.
- *October 19, 2022* — Messy Church from 4:30 - 6:30 at St. Giles Anglican Church
- *October 30, 2022* — Community Worship Service at Trinity Lutheran @ 10:30

### Auditorium Sale

The Giant Auditorium sale will take place on the following dates:

Friday September 23rd 3pm - 7pm

Saturday September 24th 10am - 3pm

Donated items can be brought to the church during office hours and left on the auditorium stage. Some of the furniture in Rooms 101, 202 and the Youth Group Room off of Room 201 will be sold.

### 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.

### Our Givings at Other Churches

Over the course of the last couple of months we have been invited to join the worship services at St. Giles Anglican and Trinity Lutheran churches. Many have asked about their givings at these churches. Any givings placed in the offering tray in a St. Paul's givings envelope (or marked as St. Paul's) is returned to St. Paul's.

### 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.

These meetings are still ongoing.

### *Christmas Bazaar — 2022*



Plans are in the works to once again hold our Christmas Bazaar, this time in **mid November**. In past years, this event has been very successful with the help of many volunteer workers and many generous donations. So, I am asking now for your help. If you have any items you would like to donate to the Christmas Bazaar you can leave them in the church office when Patty is there or call me if you need them to be picked up.

Items can be new or gently used, and clean please. Examples might include: crafts, Jewellery, collectibles, art works, linens, puzzles, games, toys, quilting, decor, house wares, vintage, and **especially Christmas themed** etc. etc.!!

I will be looking for many helping hands as the date draws nearer, so please keep me on your radar.

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*Updated Information*