

A MESSAGE FROM PAULIN MEMORIAL CHURCH

The conversations have started about when Paulin will be open once more for in-person worship. I know that a lot of you are looking forward to coming back to the church building and some of you might also be worried about what will happen when we meet up once more. Because things are not going to be what they once were until the danger of Covid-19 passes, things will have to change. We're still trying to figure out what will change and what will stay the same as we seek to worship in a way that will keep our Paulin family safe. But there is one thing that I want everyone to know, that even though things may look different during our time of worship (e.g. we will not have a choir) and not everyone will feel that they can come out and worship together right away, the Spirit of our worship will remain the same. No matter what the future might bring we will still gather in our hearts as one church family, ready to praise the Lord, to learn from him and to share our knowledge with the community around us. This will not change, nor will the fellowship that we share, although we are not able to have coffee after the services, I have been amazed at how well people are staying connected with calls, cards and driveway visits. Covid-19 has made us have to change many things in our lives, but being the body of Christ is not one of them, and I want all of us to remember this truth.

As long as we are able to hold on to our identity as being the body of Christ, we together can handle any change, for we know that we are not facing the change by ourselves. We have our brothers and sisters in Christ beside us and our Lord and Saviour is leading the way forward. So, if you happen to feel overwhelmed with all that is going on, stop for a moment and take a breath, and know that yes, for a time things are going to look different, but some things are going to stay the same. Whether online or in the Sanctuary, Paulin is going to be a place of worship, a place where people feel welcomed and a place where God is praised by his beloved people, now and forever more.

Blessings, Rev. Lisa

When Will We Be Able To Worship in the Church Building?

While the Ontario Government has allowed Places of Worship to re-open with restrictions as of June 12th, we have not yet resumed activities at Paulin. The various committees of the Session and Board of Managers are reviewing the various guidelines and developing a plan for resuming church activities and services within our building. We hope to have a better idea in early July. In the meantime, we continue to worship via our social media platforms and encourage people to stay connected with telephone calls and physically distant visits.

Mission and Outreach Committee Thanks You

We would like to thank the wonderful supporters of the donation days we held to support Street Help. Beginning on March 25th and concluding last week on June 17th we received numerous donations of fruit, cereal, sandwiches, stews, soups, peanut butter, canned meats, hard boiled eggs, milk, homemade masks, granola bars, juices and water. We also answered the call for personal hygiene products and underclothes. Street Help were very appreciative of all our donations.

Once again, members of Paulin Memorial Presbyterian Church showed what a generous and giving congregation they are.



Message from the Board of Managers

The Board would like to express their thanks to Rick's Maintenance, for the upkeep on the lawn and for volunteering to do general grounds cleanup. We would also like to thank our volunteer gardeners for the excellent job in keeping Paulin's grounds well maintained. Our gardeners are Ev Adams, Vi Ellerbeck, Ruth Sotto, June Loebach & George Boden. We highly recommend a drive by or walk about the church grounds to see the beautiful flower gardens our "Flower Fairies" have provided for us!

We are so indebted to all the above for keeping Paulin ready for the word to open.

Finance Committee

The committee would like to say a BIG Thank YOU for the financial support we have received during this pandemic. We have now seen donations by means of PAR, e-Transfer, Tythe.ly and mailed cheques to Margaret. Please visit our Website for details on how to give while we cannot meet in person. We are entering our summer season, which typically would result in a reduction of offerings. If you are planning extended stays at the family cottage, please consider using one of our four methods of giving, so that we can keep up with our day to day expenses. We are keeping up with the Government programs available to us as a charitable organization and are currently receiving funds through the wage subsidy program.

So thank you to all who are helping us keep our lights on!

Familiar Faces

We miss so many of our familiar faces, so are hoping to put together a presentation to post on our Facebook Page.

We are looking for pictures of our members holding up signs of inspirational words, Bible verses, greetings or whatever you choose to put together. These are still pictures. Then email those pictures to Amy Vreman by June 30th. She will make a video from these pictures to post.

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Mask Ministry

There are several members of the Paulin Family that were busy making masks to give away to others and donate to Street Help. We also have about 200 masks ready to give out when worship resumes in the church building. We are sure there are others making them, but we would like to thank Sharon Johnston, Carol Turner and Rev. Lisa Aide for their hard work. If anyone would like a mask prior to this, please call Reverend Lisa and she will deliver it to you.



We were saddened to hear of the passing of Thelma Percy, a long-time member of Paulin Memorial Presbyterian Church. Thelma was called home to God on June 17, 2020. Please keep her family in your prayers.



The Capital Fundraising Committee

The Capital Fundraising Committee would like to put together a cookbook for members. This endeavour will take a lot of time and energy. Due to Covid-19, free time is something we all have plenty of, so we are asking the congregation to dig out some of your favourite recipes. We are looking for soups and appetizers, main courses and of course, desserts. The more recipes we receive the better the cookbook will be, so feel free to submit more than one. Recipes can be sent to Joanne Zuk by email (jzuk614@hotmail.com) or snail mail (1822 Eastgate Estates Windsor N8T2T2).