



St. Paul's on-the-Hill

Sunday, September 6th, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to those who are new or visiting today—we're glad you're here!

Children and youth go straight to the Parish Hall for Sunday School upon arrival at the church. For children who prefer to stay with their parents, activity packs are available from our ushers.

Processional: **For the Beauty of the Earth**

Call to Worship

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Collect of the Day (together)

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

We Hear God's Word

God invites us to hear His word.

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-14

Reader: Lorna Smith

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Reader: Dan Reynolds

Sermon: Canon Stephanie

Musical Meditation: **Lord of All Hopefulness CP 506**

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: David Karram

Confession and Absolution

God invites us to confess our sins.

The Peace of Christ

God calls us to renewed relationship with others.

Offertory: Table of Grace

God invites us to share our treasures.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer and anointing are available every Sunday in the lobby during Communion.

Eucharistic Kenyan Rite

The Lord's Prayer (Sung)

We have come together, the people of God drawn by His Spirit, longing for His word to praise the Holy name of the Lord to share His glorious news of grace to pray for our needs and the pain of the world to rejoice in His love and be sent in His peace.

Priest: Is the Father with us?

All: He is!

Priest: Is Christ among us?

All: He is!

Priest: Is the Spirit here?

All: He is!

Priest: This is our God!

All: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Priest: We are His people!

All: We are redeemed!

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Communion Hymns:

- 1. A New Commandment**
- 2. As the Deer**
- 3. Holy Holy Holy is the Lord**

Prayer after Communion:

Priest: Almighty God, eternal Father, we have sat at Your feet, learned from Your word, and eaten from Your table. We give You thanks and praise for accepting us into Your family. Send us out with Your blessing to live and witness for You in the power of Your Spirit through Jesus Christ, the Firstborn from the dead.

All: Amen.

Closing Blessing

God sends us into the world, under His blessing.

Priest: All our problems

All: We send to the cross of Christ

Priest: All our difficulties

All: We send to the cross of Christ

Priest: All the devil's works

All: We send to the cross of Christ

Priest: All our hopes

All: **We set on the risen Christ.**

The Blessing

Recessional: **Great is Thy Faithfulness**

8 am Service Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Opening hymn **Morning Has Broken** CP 3

Offertory hymn **Blest Be the Tie That binds** CP 507

Recessional hymn **Forth in Thy Name** CP 467
(verses 1,2,4)

Readers:

1st Reader: *Kehinde Ladipo*

2nd Reader: *Marcia Bailey*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Office Closure: The church office will be closed tomorrow, **September 7** for Labour Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 8.

Lemonade on the Plaza

♥☐👤 Thank you to Paula Lawrence for serving this Sunday!

As our summer season comes to a close, we have just one remaining volunteer opening: **next Sunday, September 13**. If you are available and would like to help, please sign up in the narthex. Thank you!

Sunday School Teachers' Training – September 13 After the 10am service until 2pm | Light lunch provided

A friendly reminder that our Sunday School Teachers' Training is coming up! All current teachers, classroom helpers, and anyone interested in children's ministry are welcome to join us as we prepare for the new Sunday School year. Please sign up in the Narthex or RSVP with **Pastor Mabel** at mabell@stpaulsonthehill.com.

SPOTH Kids Pajama Sunday – Sept 13, 10am

Come in your coziest PJs and join us for a fun movie morning at Sunday School! We'll watch *The Star*, a heartwarming animated adventure about the very first Christmas, and enjoy popcorn and treats together. Feel free to bring a lawn chair for an extra comfy movie seat.

Frauds and Scams Presentation

September 24 | 10:15am | Upstairs Board Room

Women at St. Paul's will host a presentation by **EAPO (Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario)** on frauds and scams. This informative session will offer practical guidance to help protect yourself and your loved ones. **This event is open to all seniors, both men and women are warmly welcome.** Cookies and juice will be provided.

To **RSVP**, please email women@stpaulsonthehill.com or call the church office at **905-839-7909**.

Blessing of Animals Service

Sunday, October 4th | 12:30pm – 1:30pm

Would you like to help us organize a Blessing of the Animals service? We hope to offer a welcoming, joyful service where we can invite our wider community to bring their pets and join us in celebrating God's love for all creation.

We're looking for a few interested volunteers to join our planning team. No special experience is needed—just enthusiasm and a willingness to help! **Interested?** Email

Canon Stephanie at stephanied@stpaulsonthehill.com.

Alpha Is Coming This Fall

Saturdays, October 17 – November 28

9:00am – 12:00pm | In the Parish Hall

Alpha is for anyone curious about the Christian faith. Come meet new people, explore some of life's big questions, and join in open conversation. No judgment, no pressure.

Know someone who might be curious? Invite them to Alpha! Registration is required. A minimum of **12 participants** is needed. Register in the narthex or email officeadmin@stpaulsonthehill.com.

Gate 3:16 Updated Winter Needs

Gate 3:16 is a Christian Outreach Centre in Oshawa supporting men and women experiencing difficult times. Please note Gate 3:16 accepts adult clothing in the sizes listed below only. They are unable to accept children's clothing or other sizes.

Current needs include **men's sweatshirts, hoodies, t-shirts, track pants, men's jeans (up to size 38 - minimum length 32 inch), winter jackets, winter boots (size 10–13) and men's boxer shorts. Sizes S, M, L and XL for men. Women's jeans (up to XL), track pants, sweatshirts, t-shirts, leggings, winter jackets, winter boots (size 6–12) and women's underwear and bras. Sizes S, M, L and XL for women. Besides clothing, there is also a need for warm blankets, tents and tarps.**

Place clean, lightly used items in a lightweight bag in the narthex coat closet. Questions? Contact Eva Boessler at evamaria1109@yahoo.ca or Lorna Smith at lsmith1@bell.net. Financial donations are also accepted through the weekly offerings.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given on the occasion of 12 years since the Lord called Felix Beckles home with Him. In

loving memory from his spouse Velda and daughter
Miriam. May his soul rest in peace.