



St. Paul's on-the-Hill

Sunday, April 12th, 2026

2nd Sunday of Easter

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: **Christ is Risen**

CP 223

Call to Worship

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest: May his grace and peace be with you.

All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day (*together*)

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, 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: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Reader: Lorna Smith

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Reader: Dan Reynolds

Sermon: Canon Judy Herron-Graham

Musical Meditation: **God, When I Stand**

CP 558

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Margaret Wells

Confession and Absolution

God invites us to confess our sins.

The Peace of Christ

God calls us to renewed relationship with others.

Offertory: Come People of the Risen King

God invites us to share our treasures.

Celebration of the Eucharist

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

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord's Prayer (*Sung*)

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

All: Now we are raised to new life.

Priest: We were buried in your tomb.

All: Now we share in your resurrection.

Priest: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Communion Hymns:

1. **How Deep the Father's Love for Us**

2. **Alleluia #1**

CP 405

3. **All Heav'n Declares**

Prayer after Communion:

Priest: Glory to God,

All: Whose power, working in us, can do

infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God, from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and

ever. Amen.

Closing Blessing

God sends us into the world, under His blessing.

Recessional: **Yours is the Glory**

CP 210

Priest: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

8 am Service Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Opening hymn **Jesus is Risen from the Grave** CP 232

Offertory hymn **We Walk by Faith and not by Sight**

CP 244

Recessional hymn **God, When I Stand, No Path Before**

Me

CP 558

Readers:

1st Reader: *Roopan Navaratnam*

2nd Reader: *Noeline Rasanayagam*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You to All Who Served Over Holy Week:


We give thanks to God for the many people who made our Holy Week services meaningful and beautiful. Special thanks go to Margaret Wells, Brenda McCawley, and the Altar Guild team for preparing and caring for our sanctuary, and for their tireless work across multiple services. We are grateful to Cynthia Peroff for the lovely decorations, especially the new silk flowers that beautify the space.

We thank our music director, Joanne Karram; Bonnie Thomson, Randal Vasagam, and the worship team; our choir; Dave Hamilton; and all the musicians whose gifted voices and instruments lifted our hearts in praise. Heartfelt thanks also go to our AV director, Bill Bradbury, and his team, who ensured that our online worship ran smoothly for those joining from home.

We give thanks for the leadership of our ushers, readers, intercessors, and chalice bearers, and to our Lay Reader, Isuru Weerasekera, and our clergy. We are grateful to Pastor Mabel and all the volunteers who lovingly served in our Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday children's programs.

And finally, we offer thanks to our wardens and counters, who stayed late on Easter Sunday to ensure that the offertory was duly recorded. Truly, it takes a community to bring God's love to life in our worship. Thank you, everyone, for sharing in this ministry during one of the holiest weeks of the year!

Thank You for Making Our Easter Egg Hunt Special!

 A big, heartfelt **thank you** to all our parishioners for your generous donations for our **Easter Egg Hunt!** Your thoughtfulness made this event extra special and filled with joy for all the children. **We're so grateful for your support!**

SPOTH Youth Community Clean-up Day April 26 | 11:30–1:00 pm | At the Church

We invite our **SPOTH Youth Group** to help care for our neighbourhood! This event is a chance to make a visible difference, work together as a team, and learn the value of stewardship and community service. We will pick up litter, tidy public spaces, and help create a cleaner, safer, and more welcoming environment for everyone.

Let's make our community shine! Lunch and snacks will be provided.

For more information and to register, please contact **Pastor Mabel** at mabell@stpaulsonthehill.com.

New to St. Paul's? Join Us for Lunch!

We're hosting a **Newcomer Luncheon on Sunday, May 3rd**, right after the **10:00 a.m. service**. If you'd like to learn more about St. Paul's, the Anglican Church, and get to know others in our community, we would love to have you join us. Lunch is included—we hope to see you there!

You can **sign up in the narthex**, and if you have any questions, please feel free to speak with **Pastor Mabel** or email her at mabell@stpaulsonthehill.com.

Frauds and Scams Presentation

Thursday, May 14 at 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.

Ushers' Luncheon | Wednesday, April 29th

The Ushers' Luncheon has been rescheduled to **Wednesday, April 29 from 12:00 to 1:30pm**. Please join us for a thank-you lunch to our ushers, to offer a brief introduction to *Invite, Welcome, Connect*, and to give thanks for retiring ushers, including Sharlah Barter, usher coordinator, and Ivan Hunte.

To register, please contact Tiara at the front office by emailing officeadmin@stpaulsonthehill.com or calling 905-839-7909.

Office Closure Notice

Please note that the **church office will be closed** on **Monday, April 20** and **Tuesday, April 21**, as staff will be away during this time. Regular office hours will resume on **Wednesday, April 22**.

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in loving remembrance of Geoff Pring, a wonderful husband and father, from Joy, Helen, Karen, Steve, Travis, and Chris.

If you would like to **celebrate a special occasion or remember a dear loved one** by sponsoring the flowers in the vases at the altar, please contact Barb Thompson at 289-923-0045 or barbthompson@rogers.com. **The cost is \$75.**