

Announcements

Hi, everyone; Our April statement has shown a very positive improvement over last year. As of April 30th, 2024 our deficit stands at \$6,637.46, compared to \$18,404.46 in 2023. Hopefully the good news can continue as we move through our financial year. Thank you all very much for your continued support. --- F&P committee.

St. Paul's Anglican Church will be hosting The Heavenly Feast – A Divine Fundraiser Gala Dinner on May 16 from 6:30–8:30 pm (with doors open at 6:00 pm). St. Paul's "angels" will treat guests to a three-course meal featuring a succulent stuffed pork roast in a heavenly venue (a transformed parish hall).

Only 100 tickets will be sold at \$100 each with a charitable receipt component. Tickets are available by email at stpauls@pei.aibn.com or by calling 892-1691. Cash, debit, and e-transfer are available. Tickets are going fast! Reserve yours today!

Mission Moment

Somalia faces an acute hunger crisis, worsened by the most severe drought in four decades. With failed crops, widespread water shortages and reduced livestock productivity, Nafiso Hussein's family and thousands more had to abandon their homes in search of relief. Hunger and extreme conditions affected Nafiso's son Hadi, whose health had deteriorated critically. In the displaced persons camp where they had sought refuge, Hadi was quickly referred to the stabilization centre for treatment, and under this initiative, his health significantly improved. Nafiso is grateful for her son's recovery, "He is well now, and I am happy to see him play and laugh like before." PWS&D, with partners at Canadian Foodgrains Bank, provides funding to train community nutrition workers who identify and screen severely malnourished children.

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Christian Family Sunday

*“to know, love and serve God wherever we are and
to inspire others to do the same
by our thoughts, words and deeds”*

SPC Mission Statement

Our Approach to God

Call to Worship:

Clap your hands, all you peoples;
We will shout to God with songs of joy.

For God is awesome, reigning over all the earth!
We will sing praises to God every day.

Let us worship God with all we have to offer.
We will offer God our love – heart, body, mind and soul!

Hymn: **#706 Come, let us sing**

Opening Prayers

*Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.*

Assurance of God's Love

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Time

& Hymn: **#434 For the beauty of the earth**

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: John 17:6-19
1 John 5:9-13

Ministry of Music

Message: "Lessons from Harold's Mother"

Hymn: **#209 O Love that wilt not let me go**

Our Response to God's Word

Stewardship Moment

Reflection / Doxology & The Presentation of Gifts / Prayer

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high & low
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**

Pastoral Prayer

♪ *Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God.* ♪
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

Hymn: **#744 Will your anchor hold**

Benediction & Dismissal: **Go Now in Peace**

Postlude

As you prepare for this morning's service to begin, you are invited to reflect on the following...



*"Perhaps the reason we respond so universally to our mothers' love is because it typifies the love of our Savior."
~ Bradley D. Foster*

*Think of a time when you were in great distress.
What did you pray for during that time?*

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for Ruth Ann Read Clay as she continues to recover after a week of being ill.

We pray for the congregations of West Point Presbyterian & the Richmond Bay Pastrol Charge as they prepare to welcome Nicole Lindgrenthis week as their new student minister for the summer. We pray that Nicole's time of PEI further confirms her sense of calling. May her summer appointment be a blessing both to her, as well as to those she ministers to.

We pray for those living in poverty in a world where the gap between rich and poor continues to grow.

Friday (May 17th) is the **International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia**. We pray for an end to hatred and discrimination that targets LGBTQI2+ people. As a church, we commit to working for the flourishing of all people.



Scripture Reading: John 17:6-19 (NIV)

⁶ "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. ⁸ For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. ⁹ I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

¹³ "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. ¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 5:9-13 (NIV)

⁹ We accept human testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. ¹⁰ Whoever believes in the Son of God accepts this testimony. Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.