



St. Paul's is a family, commissioned by Christ, gathered together in faith to glorify God and nurture spiritual growth through worship and service.



**Our Sunday
Service begins at
10:45 AM.
We are located at
319 Prescott
Street at the
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Street in
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St. Paul's Matters

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Fall - 2012

Make Time in Your Busy Schedules for the Lord



Dear Congregation and Friends of St. Paul's,

It is hard to believe that summer is gone and that school and fall activities have been already started. I hope everyone was able to stay cool last summer and had some family fun.

"Time has flown by so fast", "Where did the time go" are statements that we make at the beginning of September and then realize that we say the same statements every year! It is always that way. Time flies by and one wonders where it went.

Fall schedules have already begun. This is a good time to think about our Lord who is always readily available for us. It is also a good time for each of us again to remind ourselves how we need this Lord in our life, and what could be better for our souls than a faithful schedule of worshipping God each week. I hope this would be on your weekly plan this fall and throughout the year, that each Sunday you worship the Lord in His house.

In changing times and busy schedules

what each and every one of us needs more than anything else is our Lord. He is the faithful friend who always knows how to help in every condition. The more time we spend with Him the better equipped we are to handle what life gives us each day.

By the way, when you are at Sunday worship you are in the midst of a group of people where everyone believes in the Savior exactly as you do. It is an amazing thing. The Lord designed the church this way to remind us that we are not alone in living for Him. Each week I am reminded that I am among many others who believe just as I do. This is a joyful and encouraging thing. Why would anyone ever want to miss worship on a Sunday morning? I am looking forward to see and worship with my brothers and sisters in the faith.

May the Lord grant His blessing to each of us as we grow in faith together.

In Christ,

Rev. Samer Kandalafi

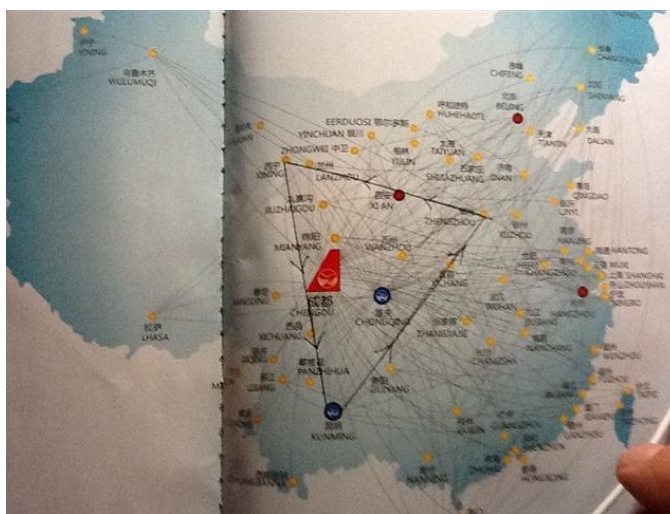
Shanghai in July (My, Oh My!) - Ron and Heather Stewart

As we culminated our travels in Shanghai in July with 22 million residents and thousands of tourists, we were peering down from 474 metres on the Sky Deck of the World Financial Centre, China's tallest building. Before us, the sky-high financial and insurance towers stood by the hundreds as if on parade to proudly display each architecturally distinct feature. Below us, the Huangpu River emptied into the mighty Yangtze delta at the mouth of the East China Sea. What a fitting view as we began to reflect.

Our adventures began at the origins of the Yangtze (plus Mekong and Yellow Rivers) in the western high mountains of the Qinghai-Tibetan Plateau in Qinghai Province. Through the centuries, these waters spawned, sustained and transported life while, at the same time, transformed the rock bed through which it flowed. So, too, did the promise of rugged challenges, various directions and scenic highlights exist at the birth of this mighty river, to finally let go of its long journey and ease into the calm of the greater sea level. Flowing waters reflect the flow of life.

From thin, cool air in the high western ranges, to sultry, humid temperatures on the eastern basin, we still hold only a fleeting glimpse of this gloriously diverse oriental country. China's 56 minority cultures defy description: all existing adjectives would not suffice. We find no commonality, yet many common threads among the people. From physical features to food preparation, a kaleidoscope exists. Local lunch eateries have no need to post the daily menu when the animal is newly strung outside, or when the bucket of lively sea creatures is placed on the entrance step. No food is wasted; the head is as good as the feet. Hot Pot is its own specialty: be it wild mushroom or pork, seafood or some other base, each local business focuses on one main ingredient, then adds rice noodles with local vegetables – all shared from a large, boiling pot central on the table. Tofu is a common dish served heated with a myriad of flavours. Our favourite location focused on serving the best dumplings in the area (small jousha or large bouzha), washed down with fresh green tea or local beer. Fine cuisine can be found in high-end restaurants with artistically presented dishes. The local farmers' market overflowed with fresh fruits and vegetables from which we cooked a multitude of rice and vegetable dishes.

The cities of Qijing, Kunming, Beijing, Zhengzhou, Xining, Shanghai and Hong Kong are our only references. Separated by hundreds of kilometres, different climatic and geographical zones, elevation and technological innovation, the provinces within which these cities are located each hold their own special purpose and historical place. Old and new not only converge, but collide. Tibetan yak herders move under the elevated speed-train platforms while Mongolian yurts dot the landscape under endless hydro wires. The remotest inland salt water lake boasts sleek touring yachts, while SUV's temporarily displace horse-drawn wagons. A Porsche races past a bicycle upon which a family of 5 precariously perches on their way to market. Modern buses roll past ancient cliff-side monasteries and temples. Rural farmers manually tend to terraced hills of agricultural products beside massive concrete



freeways. A gleaming apartment complex shadows a centuries old multi-generational residence of straw and clay. A middle-age woman sweeps the side of the highway as transport trucks rumble onward.

Horticulture and the tending of trees, shrubs and flowers is an admirable and massive employment industry. The cities and towns take great pride in filling all available space with breathtaking landscape architecture and textured green growth. Smiling faces greet one another wherever we go. Little children shyly look up in joy to express with confidence the one English word: "Hello." In all aspects of society, visitors are greeted warmly and with great care to detail. Any doubts of requests or needs being met were quickly vanished. An opportunity to dialogue in broken English was seen as a sincere privilege by the locals. Of course, much hand gesturing and picture-pointing were part of the communication. We also learned that each Chinese written character represents a syllabic sound, not necessarily a word or a letter.

So, in a land where the character translation to the letter "X" sounds like a "Z", the "Z" sounds like a "J" and the "Q" is pronounced as a "CH", we faltered through our "Hello and good-bye", our "yes and no", our "I understand to I don't understand" and, of course, "Thank you." So xiexienin (pronounced "se- shien") to all whom we had the privilege to meet.

Pictures from Heather & Ron's China Adventure



The picture above was taken in the ZhongGuo National Gardens in Zhengzhou, Central China. Below are traditional dancers near Quinghai Salt Water lake on the Tibetan Plateau in Western China.



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December 2, 2012

March 24, 2013

June 2, 2013

"For King and Country" - Part of the History of St. Paul's Kemptville



This is a short story of three brothers and a sister who grew up in our Manse and went on later to serve "**For King and Country**".

In 1883, the McDiarmid family moved into the Church Manse, which was quite new at the time having only been built in 1879. The family consisted of Rev. H. J. McDiarmid, his wife Mary, baby Archibald, who had been born earlier that year, John who was 7 years old, Colin who was 8 years old, and Minnie who was 5 years old. Rev. H. J. McDiarmid has the distinction of serving the longest tenure at St. Paul's, Kemptville and St. Andrew's, Oxford Mills.

He served for 16 years, from 1883 to 1899. During his time, the Church was remodeled, the ceiling wood panelled, the wainscoting replaced, the floor elevated to accommodate a new furnace, and the old windows replaced by new and modern ones. Let's jump ahead to **World War I**.

John had become a broker and had Militia experience with the 21st Essex Fusiliers and with the 10th Royal Grenadiers. He enlisted at Valcartier, Quebec on September 25, 1914. He became a Captain in the 4th Battalion, Canadian Infantry. He was wounded at Ypres, Belgium and died in a Military hospital in Halifax, on September 15, 1916. John is buried in the Oxford Mills Union Cemetery in Oxford Mills, Ontario.



Archibald was an engineer and a member of the Royal Victoria Rifles. He enlisted on March 15, 1915 at New Westminster, British Columbia. He became a Private in

the 7th Battalion, Canadian Infantry. He was killed in action during an attack made on enemy trenches on June 3, 1916 in the Battle for Mount Sorrel, Ypres, Belgium.



His name is commemorated on the Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres. The Menin Gate Memorial records the names of 54,986 Commonwealth soldiers for whom there is no known grave. The countryside around Ypres is featured in the famous poem, In Flanders Fields, written by Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae.

The third brother, Colin, became a doctor and had Militia experience. He enlisted at Vancouver, on November 16, 1914. He became a Major in the Canadian Army Medical Corps. He recovered from injuries that he had received in France. Colin returned to Vancouver where he was a doctor and a surgeon.

Annie Broderick, a sister, after graduating from McGill University as a nurse, enlisted on April 13, 1915. She served in France as a Nursing Sister, with the Canadian Army Medical Corps.



The three brothers and their sister grew up in our Manse and enlisted "**For King and Country**".

Submitted by Donald Messenger

Hmm ... St. John's United Might Have Some Explaining To Do

This summer, the Board of Managers had some much needed repairs and painting done to our steeple. A local contractor had a number of jobs in the area that required a cherry-picker so he gave us a good deal on the work. The new silver paint looks terrific and you can now see St. Paul's steeple shining for miles.

When the final bill arrived though, it was a little higher than the estimate because there was some unexpected repair work that had to be done and you'll never guess what it was.

The contractor had to repair some bullet holes. In his words, "At least eight, including one shotgun slug that was possibly over twenty years old. Do you think that the good people of St. John's United are trying to tell us that our bell is too loud?"



Ashley Connell Continues Her Winning Ways



Ashley Connell is the granddaughter of Ray & Josie Porter and the daughter of Scott & Debbie Connell. Ashley has been a member of the South Grenville District High School track team for the past four years. Each year she has been successful in representing her high school at the O.F.S.A.A. (the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations) meet often placing in the top eight in both

the shotput and discus events. For the past 3 years Ashley has been a member of the Brockville Legion Track and Field Summer Team traveling to various meets across the province. This year Ashley competed and won a gold medal in shotput at the Ontario Junior Track and Field Championships held in Ottawa on July 15th. She surpassed her personal goal of throwing 12 metres, including a personal best and winning distance of 12.28 metres. Ashley also competed in discus throwing a Personal Best of 37.49 metres which earned her a respectable 4th place finish. With both of these results at the provincial event, and with previous top meet finishes, Ashley qualified to compete at the Canadian Nationals in Winnipeg.

On July 27-29, Ashley and Debbie flew to Winnipeg to attend the Canadian Junior Track & Field Championship. Ashley competed on Sunday morning placing an impressive 6th place in shotput with another throw over 12 metres. She was thrilled to also compete in the discus event and finished a surprising 8th place with another Personal Best throw of 38.14 metres. This definitely was a remarkable weekend with a field of strong competitors from all across Canada which made this event an incredible experience for Ashley.

Exciting News From Shahrzad Kandalraft

I was asked by some of our members and friends what I am doing nowadays. I would like to take this opportunity to let you know about my new situation.

As most of you know I earned a degree in Theology and Christian Education (B.Th., C.E.) from The Near East School of Theology in Lebanon.

Since my children are getting older, God began to speak to my heart regarding doing more in ministry. God repeatedly confirmed His calling to me through His Word and through others.

To follow God's Call I have begun the process toward ministry within the Presbyterian Church in Canada. As a candidate for the ministry I was asked by The General Assembly to complete two full semesters to get to know more about Presbyterian churches in Canada.

I started my academic study at the Presbyterian College in Montreal in September as a part-time student for the next two years. I will be going to the College on Monday and Tuesday every other week.
In Christ, Shahrzad Kandalraft

St. Paul's Youth Group Went Zip-Lining and Live to Tell the Tale



On Sunday, September 30th after a hearty anniversary lunch, St. Paul's Youth Group hit the open road and headed to Chelsea, Quebec for a zip-lining adventure.

We climbed trees, walked across high-wires like the Flying

Wallendas and whipped through the forest at great speeds on a harness.

There was lots of screaming (mainly by Jim, John and Mark) and a great time was had by all.

New Board of Managers Project - Repairs to the Manse

The Board of Managers recently did an inventory of work that was needing done on the Church Manse. While many of the repairs and touch-ups can be handled without too much fuss, there are a couple of bigger projects that the Board would like to bring to the Congregation's attention:

- A new garage door is needed, along with frame jamb uprights;
- Vinyl flooring should be replaced in the kitchen, laundry room and the upstairs bathroom;
- Replace old carpet in the master bedroom with laminate flooring;

- Paint interior doors, stairs, the banister and some ceilings; and,
- Replace the wallpaper in the upstairs and downstairs halls.

While much of the labour can be done with volunteers, money will have to be spent on material. Please prayerfully consider these expenditures when they come before you at the Annual Meeting in the new year.



Will the Sunday Bulletin Soon Be Extinct?

Two dimensional bar codes called a QR seem to be popping up everywhere these days – on magazine ads, in grocery stores and at museum exhibits. They are those squares that look like ink-blotches that you can scan with your smartphone and then you're immediately taken to a website, audio file or other information sources without having to type in an address.

A recent article in *Christian Web Trends* suggested that churches should think about ways they can use QR codes to reach out to the wider community and more effectively communicate with their congregations. Some of their ideas included: putting a QR code on the church sign outside that would bring people to our website; adding QR codes to sermon overheads to give people more information; or putting the Sunday bulletin online and linking it to a QR code, so worshippers could skip the printed version altogether.

I don't think we're quite ready to throw away our

bulletins at St. Paul's yet, but it does make you think. In the meantime, if you have a smartphone handy, see where this takes you:



Congratulations Ray and Josie

Happy
Anniversary

May 30, 2012 marked a special Wedding Anniversary for Ray & Josie Porter.

Ray, a life time member of St. Paul's, had the pleasure of meeting

Josie Miller at a Sunday morning service 27 years ago held at St. Paul's and 25 years later, they celebrated with family & friends at an afternoon luncheon in the Church Hall.

Family and friends travelled from as far as Vancouver and the United States for this event.

Their children and grandchildren wish them happiness always.

Debbie, Scott, Jeffery, Kathryn,

Eric & Ashley Connell

Darlene, Wayne, Kelsey & Krista Dillabough

Diane, Joe & Justin Schmitz

Michael, Angie, Mary & Logan Miller

Anne, Bob, Bradley, Melissa & Robbie Leach

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"My Reflections of Daniel Bayne" By Pat Maloney

Mr. Bayne had a monument business on the corner of Asa and Thomas Streets. It was across from what was then the Kemptville Creamery. (Now an apartment building.)

Mr. Bayne was a member of the Presbyterian Choir. He had a very good singing voice and was active in the community choir, as were other choirs in town.

When I was young, my brother and I would watch Mr. Bayne put the inscriptions on the grave stones with a chisel and a mallet. It was very inspiring to watch him and he always had time for us kids.

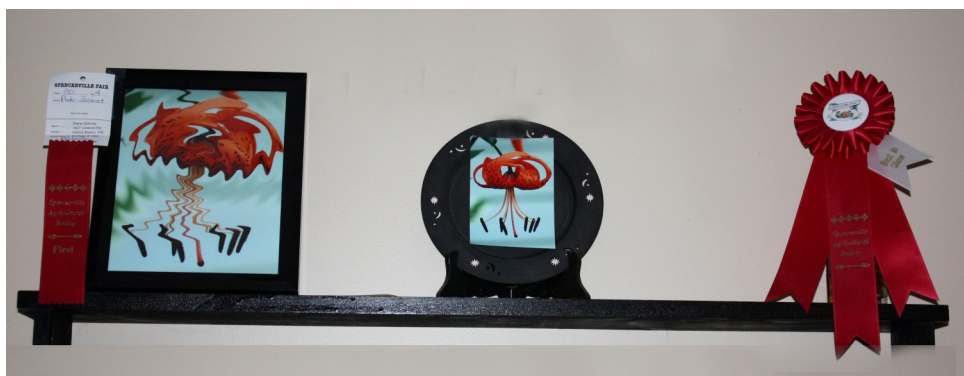
Our connection with him was because of my Dad's delivery business. They always used the horse and wagon to deliver and erect the stones in the local cemeteries, as there was no heavy equipment for that job in those days.

I remember Mr. Bayne as a very kind and

caring person. He always had a special place in his heart for us kids and, as you can see every Sunday, he was very dedicated to this magnificent historical church by the beautiful stained glass window over the sanctuary. It was donated by his brother Norman Bayne in 1961.



Schmitz Family Wins Big at Spencerville Fair



After competing in the photography contest for many years, Diane Schmitz won "Best in Show" for her abstract photo of an orange dragon lily. There were over 200 entries so that's quite the accomplishment. Congratulations Diane!

Justin Schmitz won Overall Points – Arts/Crafts, Primary Division. He entered 27 items and won 26 ribbons. He was awarded a trophy for all of his hard work. Also, he won 1st in the Family Pet Scarecrow contest, building a scarecrow to look like his favourite pet Roscoe & 1st in the Child's category with his Annual Scarecrow float in the parade.

Justin also received The Marg Rupert Primary Authors' Award this past June from Oxford-On-Rideau Public School.