



St. Paul's Anglican Church

See, I am about to do a new thing... Isaiah 43:1

Called to Serve in This Place for 160 Years!

Excerpts from a book, entitled "A Brief History of St. Paul's Anglican Church" written in 1929 by Rev. John J. Fenton

No part of Bruce County is so deserving of the study of the historian, as well as the attention of the tourist as that part of it which is comprised within the boundaries of Saugeen Township. This township was surveyed in 1851, and was first settled in those districts of which the town of Southampton and the village of Port Elgin are now the centres. The first white pioneers in these settlements appear to have been Scotch. At any rate, the Presbyterians were early on the scene. The Anglicans came to Southampton somewhat later... The Reverend A.H.R. Mulholland, at one time rector of Owen Sound, must be given the credit of holding the first Anglican services at Southampton. He did not organize a permanent congregation. In July 1859 a more successful effort was made to organize Anglicanism in Southampton. In that year the Rev. J. P. Curran was appointed the first regular Anglican rector of Southampton Parish... The parish of St. Paul's was first formally organized at a meeting held in the old Southampton school house on September 20, 1859... It was also decided at this meeting to procure a suitable building site for the erection of a church... The building

was formally opened for Divine Worship on February 24, 1861... The sermons were preached on this occasion by Revs. Mulholland and Curran... On November 4, 1886, the worst fire in Southampton's history burned down a great part of the town, and among the buildings that were destroyed was the old Anglican Church of Saint Paul's. Very little of the church furniture was saved. It was necessary that a new church should be built. It was opened for public worship in 1888. The damage to the old church was estimated at \$2500, of this loss \$1000 was covered by insurance... The Sunday school was built and the church tower (with the bell) was added in the days of Mr. Brownlee (1905). The chancel memorial windows date from the time of Mr. Parke (1915)...

"This old church of ours is not a thing of yesterday. It has the long-storied Past for its parent; shall it have the far-flung Future for its child?"

This question has been answered by the service that has unfolded since that time. St. Paul's continues to be a prominent Christian centre in the community, having offered Christian witness now for 160 years. We proudly continue to live out our mission, depicted in the theme for this anniversary, **"CALLED TO SERVE IN THIS PLACE FOR 160 YEARS!"**



Butterfly Gardens

Dedications to be completed at our

Anniversary

Service

July 7, 2019

10:30 AM

St. Paul's inviting labyrinth



7th Annual Festival of Treasures

A New Name, but the Same Great Fun!

On Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3, we will hold our 7th annual Festival of Treasures (formerly known as the Artisans' Festival). You can expect to see the same great things, including the Treasures Sale, opening this year on the Friday night from 6-8, as well as Saturday morning from 9-1. Home made baking will undoubtedly be a big draw, as those secret recipes are brought out to create the delectable pies, cakes, tarts, cookies, etc. Be there early for the baking! Crafts and works of art will be available again this year. The newest addition last year, the JEWELLERY BOUTIQUE, will be back again by popular demand this year, with expanded opportunities to pick out a fine piece of jewellery. Don't miss out!

As always, we will require your help. Cheryl hopes you will continue looking around your home for gently



used treasures that you no longer need. Maureen and Marg continue to search for upscale jewellery for the boutique. Invite your friends to donate items. Your donations of baking are always gratefully received. We will be baking in the church kitchen the week before the sale. You are most welcome to come out and assist! Continue creating your wonderful craft items.

Lots of work will be required to set up the display of treasures throughout the week.

This has always been an extremely successful event. With your help, this year will be the **BEST EVER!** Sign up now on the jobs list in the hall!

Living Our Mission—TREASURE: Our New Butterfly Garden

As the congregation considered ways to safeguard creation, the concept of a butterfly garden emerged. Under the capable leadership of Barb Willner, Paul Dost and Bill Bowden, the concept moved from paper to reality. The front entrance is now adorned with a beautiful garden, which will be a real attraction to butterflies and other pollinators. A huge thank you goes out to everyone who had a hand in its creation—removing the old shrubbery, preparing the soil, planting the new plants, mulching and watering. This project would not have been possible without the generous financial assistance of the ACW. Our garden, (identified as S-16) proudly takes its place among the other butterfly gardens of Saugeen Shores, in the *Wings of Change* project.



It Takes A Community—Child and Family Community Programmes This Summer:

Following up on our very successful child and family programmes last year (thanks to Sarah), St. Paul's will once again host a **Vacation Bible School** on Thursday afternoons from 1:30—3:30 PM, on July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 15. The programme will include Bible stories, crafts, snack and music. All children age 5-10 are welcome. Please spread the word to your friends and neighbours. Call the church office to register at 519-797-2984.

We will also be hosting a monthly **Family and Community BBQ**, on Friday, July 19 and Friday, August 9, from 5-6:30.

If you can assist with these events, please speak with Rev. Carrie.



Are You Aware of our “160 Challenge”?

Watch the tower grow as we contribute 160 items to the Food Bank. How many times can we complete this task in 2019?



History on Display:

Have you ever noticed our original Communion set, saved from the Great Fire of 1886, when the original St. Paul's was destroyed. This is still used on special occasions!



Mark Your Calendars:

Plan to join your congregational family for any of the multiple events scheduled at St. Paul's!

160th Anniversary Service—July 7 at 10:30 AM

Every Tuesday: Morning Prayer at 10, followed by coffee and bible study /reflection on the following Sunday's readings, seeking meaning for our lives.

Every Wednesday morning at 10: Centring Prayer

Men's Breakfast: 3rd Sat. of the month at 8 AM

Ecumenical Taize service: Monthly, rotating from church to church

Yoga exercises for Seniors (including chair yoga) -

every Tuesday and Thursday from 10 - 11 AM

Community BBQ's—Fri, July 19, Fri, Aug 9, 5-6:30

Lakeside Baptism—Sunday, July 21 at 3 PM

Marine Heritage Kids Crafts—Saturday, July 27 AM

Marine Heritage service—Sunday, July 28 at 7 PM

Festival of Treasures—Aug 2 and 3

Anniversary Music Evening—Saturday, Sep 28

See the weekly bulletin insert and monthly calendar for more details of life at St. Paul's.

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Ordinary people . . . Loved by God, Seeking Christ, Moved by the Holy Spirit.