

ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

October 23, 2016

10:30 a.m.

* Stand if you are able

Bold: Said by all

Musical Prelude:

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

* Entry of the Word

Welcome and Announcements:

Call to Worship (responsive):

(projected)

From the routines of work and school, home and play,

we have come to worship God.

With the weight of the world heavy on our hearts,

we have come to worship God.

In the midst of our fears and our hopes,

we trust in God's power and presence.

* Gathering Hymn: *"As The Deer"*

(N.B.P. #27)

Prayer of Adoration:

Rite of Reconciliation (unison):

Merciful God, You created human beings a little lower than the angels, and gave us the gift of intelligence and imagination.

**And yet so often we use these gifts against one another
and for the purpose of exploiting your creation.**

So many times we think that we are great when we are small.

And so many times we claim smallness when you have gifted us with greatness.

**We confess that we compare ourselves with others,
convincing ourselves that our sin is not nearly as great.**

And yet, every sin offends your goodness.

**For ourselves, and on behalf of a world too busy and too self-righteous to confess, we pray
with humble and confident hearts for forgiveness that you alone can give.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

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MINISTER: Rev. Mikal Schomburg

ORGANIST: Mr. Ian Madge

Choir Anthem: *"Many Gifts, One Spirit"*

(Mary Lynn Lightfoot)

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination (in unison): God of all truth, when we think that we have life all figured out, use your word as a mirror so that we can see our own foolishness. When we think that we are beyond forgiveness, offer your word as a gift so that we can know your love. Amen.

Scriptures: (projected)

Psalm 84:1-7

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

*Children's Hymn: *"Thy Word Is A Lamp Unto My Feet"* (N.B.P. #496)

Children's Story

(Grade 9 & under leave for Sunday School)

SERMON: "A MAN APART"

Silent Reflection

WE RESPOND WITH GRATEFUL COMMITMENT

* Hymn of Response: *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"*

(N.B.P. #449)

* Living Faith 8.1.4

(projected)

* Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory

* Doxology, Prayer of Dedication

(N.B.P. #79)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: *"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

(N.B.P. #648)

* Benediction:

* Choral Amen

* Exit of the Word

Musical Postlude