

## Notes from the Mission Within Meeting

- We were delighted to welcome Sue Crossley (neighborhood 3), Sue Maloney (neighborhood 5) and Richard Thorne (neighborhood 8) to the committee
- We would like to expand our ministry of altar servers. We would like to encourage all young people to consider this wonderful way of serving God and his church. As well we are opening this up for adults. There will be a training session on Saturday, June 4 at 10 a.m. Lunch to be provided.
- For some time, some parishioners have been using pillow cushions. A supply of cushions are now available in the narthex
- An extra dusting and cleaning in the corners of the church proper took place
- Gerry McCracken agreed to lead a group in a review of the committee's goals and objectives
- "Till the boys come home" presentation in April by Charles Willett and Marilyn Duplacey was a huge success, as was the combined coffee hour. We continue to discuss how often to have a combined coffee hour of the two morning services
- At our June meeting we will have a discussion of our worship services
- The 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the consecration of St. Paul's will be remembered in conjunction with the Parish Barbecue on May 29
- Liz Reid organized a newcomers' lunch at the Rectory on May 15. 20 people enjoyed a happy lunch together
- It was decided to keep our cost at \$4/person for the funeral receptions. It was felt that this was a ministry of hospitality that was offered to families in a time of need. We receive many remarks of appreciation for the lovely receptions provided by the group. The proceeds after expenses, are given to the Building Fund
- The Men's Breakfast with Bishop Edwards will be May 28 at 8 a.m.
- Thanks were expressed to Sue Rodger for hosting the meeting in her home, especially on the week of her daughter's wedding (Sue said Paul had to clean the house anyway!). Our next meeting is June 14 at the home of Liz Reid

## Thank you from MBTP

The parish yard sale was yet again a great success. Many thanks from the MBTP committee to everyone who helped out with special thanks to **Gail Johnston, Sylvia Loomis, Allan Merritt and Anne Compton** for the many hours of work spent setting up during the week and during the sale.

## Memorial Service

A private memorial service will be held in the Crosby Room at St. Paul's Church on May 26, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. for Edith Edgecombe Slipp. This will be a celebration of her life for her cousins Ann King and Jill Fanjoy.

## NEWS FROM THE PEWS

... **Maxine Spear** has moved into her new home this past week. It will be good to have her living closer to the church. We wish her all the best as she settles into her new surroundings ... **Bishop Edwards** has announced the appointment of **the Rev. Rob Langmaid** (great nephew of Olga & Rory Grant) to the combined position of Rector of St. Luke's Gondola Point and Chaplain of RNS. A native of New Brunswick, Rev. Langmaid, has been serving in the Diocese of the Yukon ... our office staff, **Katherine Grant and June Bennett** attended a workshop this past week for church treasurers on the subject of *Canada Revenue Agency*. The workshop was held in Moncton ... 16 tables gathered for the spring ACW Bridge Game on Thursday ... the Mission Beyond Committee would like to report that \$4600 was realized at the Parish Yard Sale May 13 – 14. All members of the parish, and especially the hard-working volunteers must be thanked for their tireless efforts. Well done! ... we remember in our prayers today **Jack Skerry & Janis Rodger** who were married at St. Paul's on Saturday. We wish them a happy life together ... *that's our news, from the pews. ALS.*

## PARISH NOTES

### Next Sunday is HOT DOG Sunday!

We close our Sunday School for the year and enjoy a Parish barbecue together. The Vestry will be providing the hot dogs and hamburgers. Parishioners are invited to bring a salad for the pot-luck salad buffet. At the service we will also be marking the 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the consecration of St. Paul's Church, by Bishop John Medley, on May 31, 1876.

### Men's Breakfast – Saturday, May 28 at 8 a.m.

All men of the parish (and friends) are encouraged to attend the breakfast this coming Saturday. Bishop David Edwards is our special guest. We would like to have a good representation of men to support our Bishop. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. No charge. An offering will be taken.

### St. Paul's Endowment Fund

The St. Paul's Endowment Committee is accepting applications for funding to the following four categories:

1. In support of spiritual enhancement of the members of the Parish family.
2. In support of building renovations, restoration or repairs at St. Paul's, Rothesay.
3. In support of assistance or aid to families in need or to support worthy undertakings and projects in the Rothesay area.
4. In support of national or international relief efforts.

The Committee will distribute approximately \$2,000 to each category. We encourage members of the Parish and others to submit applications for funding within the guidelines. Applications are available at the Church office and will be accepted **until May 31, 2016**.



**Helen with her great grandchild Mya**

### **Welcome members of the Crawford family**

It is a pleasure for us to welcome the extended Crawford family to our worship this morning. They are gathering with us as we dedicate the new covering over the basement emergency exit. This addition to the church is in memory of Helen Jean Crawford. The new entrance was designed by Greg Murdock and approved by the *Rothsay Heritage Preservation Committee*. Helen and Don have an amazing family: 9 children, 19 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. As I like to say, they have passed being a family, and can now be designated a “tribe”. They are a close and caring family and we are honoured to be associated with them. Helen loved her church. All her life she worshipped God faithfully. She loved Bible study. And she loved all ministries with children. We thank the family for their generous gift to our Parish in her memory.



### **Prayers of Dedication of New Basement Entrance**

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors;  
**And the King of glory shall come in**

Jesus said, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep ... whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come and go out and find pasture.”  
(John 10: 9)

Through the ages, God has moved his people to build houses of prayer and praise, and to set apart places for the ministry of his holy Word and Sacraments, and to provide venues for the community to gather to care for the needs of one another. With gratitude we pause today to dedicate a new protective covering over the emergency entrance to the basement youth hall of St. Paul’s Church.

Almighty Father, Lord of heaven and earth, be pleased to accept this gift of the Crawford family for the service of this parish church, in memory of Helen Jean Crawford. Accept and consecrate it, that it may be a blessing and promote the life and ministry of this community, to the honour of Jesus Christ our Lord.

*In the faith of Jesus Christ, and for the benefit of his holy Church, we offer and dedicate this entrance to the glory of God, and in loving memory of his servant Helen Jean Crawford; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### **A Prayer in Memory of Helen J. Crawford**

Heavenly Father, we praise you for those who have been lights in their generation of faith and truth. Accept, we pray, this memorial of thy servant Helen Jean Crawford. We bless and praise you for all that was pure and true, beautiful and good in her life; for the example she has left of faith and duty and for her steadfast love of your Church. May she be numbered among your saints, in glory everlasting.

***The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.***

