

## PAR AUTHORIZATION

Fill out only if signing up for the first time.

I hereby request and authorize St. Paul's United Church to cause a debit to be drawn on my account **each month** in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a contribution by me to St. Paul's United Church.

Exact name on bank account or credit card

Account number or credit card number

Type of account  Chequing  Savings

Name and address of financial institution

To ensure accuracy, a sample cheque marked "sample" or "void" must accompany the authorization to debit a bank account.

Credit card  VISA  MASTERCARD

Expiry date on credit card

Month/Year

Signature of contributor

Month to start contributions

This authorization may be changed or cancelled by the donor at any time by contacting the St. Paul's United Church office.

We will be a spiritual home where:  
God and Jesus Christ are celebrated;  
diversity is embraced;  
and people are nurtured  
so that we can serve others.



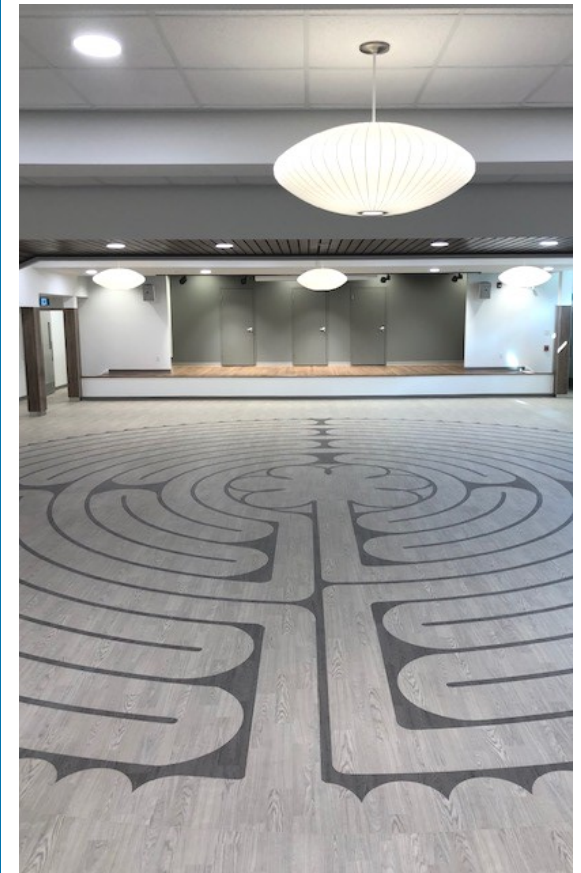
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## MY 2020 PLEDGE TO GOD'S WORK



Labyrinth in newly renovated Foote Auditorium  
Photo by Catherine MacLean

**St. Paul's  
United Church**  
**How then do we live?**

Please fill out and submit  
by December 22, 2019.

# 2020 ST. PAUL'S - HOW THEN DO WE LIVE?

Thank you for the investment you are choosing to make in this church and our common life, active in God's world.

Why this? Why me? Why now?

St. Paul's United Church offers inspirational Sunday worship, excellence in music, supportive pastoral care and opportunities to reflect on faith and life at *Day 5*. Our children grow in faith in *Godly Play*. We reach out in social justice through congregational efforts and align with community groups. Our care and faith formation extend to youth, young adults, the UAlberta campus, and the elderly: to people who have recently arrived right through to those who have been here all their lives.

Together, our decisions with regard to financial support make the congregation a welcoming community in which we deepen our lives and our outreach. Giving is a spiritual practice.

*How Then Do We Live?* is our theme this year. We are reflecting on our mission and responsibilities to one another and our neighbours, and how we best use our building now we have set it up for generations to come.

Our common life includes Faith Lift, Racecourse School for orphans in Zambia, rainbow refugee support, Garneau Food Security, and also engaging spiritual questions, the TRC, and our Affirming commitments – to name a few. We also recognize that our esteem, relationships, resilience, health, courage, mission, capacity for awe – in fact our whole lives – are built on the grace of God.

Please consider these factors when considering Why this? Why me? Why now? May your giving be a joyful spiritual practice.

Did you know that:

## Pledges

- ♦ indicate planned giving for 2020
- ♦ are essential to planning a balanced budget
- ♦ include the Mission and Service Fund.  
When you give to M&S you support global and Canadian community and justice work, ministry education, faith formation, local congregations, and Indigenous ministries and justice.

## PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)

- ♦ can be initiated by completing and submitting the PAR form attached
- ♦ can be increased, decreased, cancelled or temporarily suspended with a call to our church office
- ♦ is a convenient, safe, and dependable way to manage monthly giving
- ♦ assists the church to maintain a steady income stream to meet ongoing expenditures
- ♦ significantly reduces the workload of weekly counters
- ♦ requires that you inform the church immediately of any changes in your bank account or credit card e.g., expiry date
- ♦ Cards are available Sundays to place in the offering plate.
- ♦ You can allocate a portion of your monthly PAR givings to a specific cause, such as **Faith Lift, M&S, Outreach, Capital Fund, Racecourse School, Strathcona Food Security - or other areas you choose.**

Thank you for supporting St. Paul's in 2020.



Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Address

Telephone number

E-mail address

## PLEDGE AMOUNT FOR 2020

### Monthly

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St. Paul's

M & S

Other

Total

Other for \_\_\_\_\_

### Yearly

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St. Paul's

M & S

Other

Total

Other for \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the reverse side to sign up for PAR which is administered by the United Church of Canada.

**OR**, if you still wish to have offering envelopes prepared for you, please indicate how many you will need in 2020.

I need \_\_\_\_\_ envelopes for my givings.