

# St. Paul's to hold open house Sept. 26

Five years after a devastating fire, St. Paul's United Church is throwing open the doors of its refurbished sanctuary and community building.

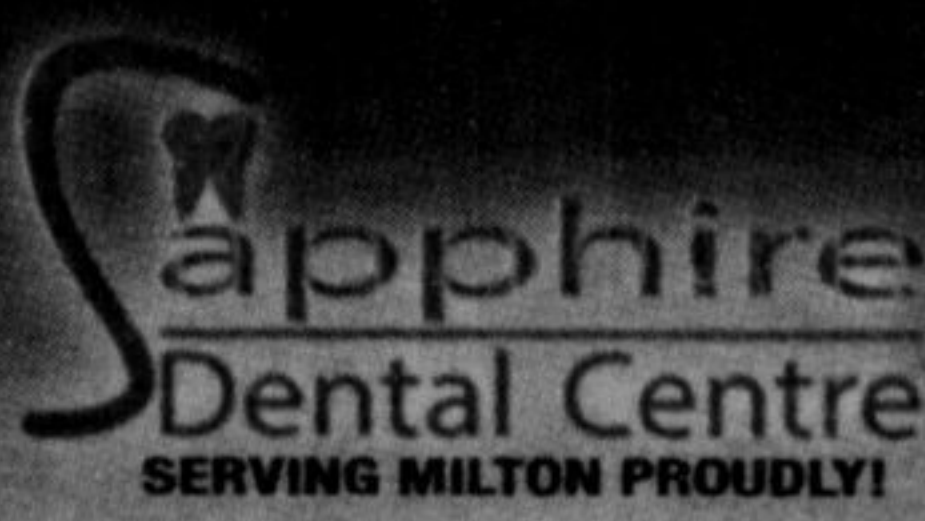
An open house is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 26, 8 a.m. to noon, to coincide with the farmers' market. Child-friendly activities will be held on the front lawn including a bouncy castle, face-painting and animal balloons.

"While St. Paul's United Church is a well-known historic site at 123 Main St. East, the new building is about more than bricks and mortar," said Sue Butson, chair of the church council. "It's about a living, breathing community. Autumn is a great time to promote our family-based programs, the Annex service and the many groups that congregate in our space. We're also excited about introducing our youthful minister, Rev. Tyler Powell."


For history buffs, the building tour will include highlights such as the restored woodwork in the balcony and the rose window. For music lovers, don't miss the restored pipe organ and musical entertainment throughout the morning.

Exercise enthusiasts can check out demonstrations by a Tai Chi master. The community building will house displays from many community groups who rent space such as Alcoholics Anonymous and the Girl Guides. It's also home to the Montessori school on the second floor with views of the Niagara escarpment.

Those who can't attend the open house are welcome to drop in for coffee Friday morning sat 10:30 am. For more information about the church and its programs, call (905) 878-8895 or visit [www.stpaulsmilton.com](http://www.stpaulsmilton.com).



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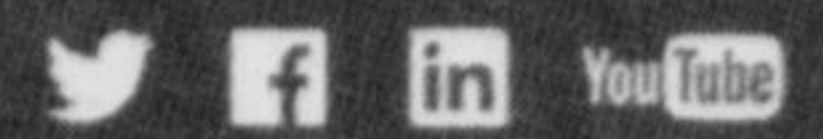
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## Notice of Halton Region's 2015 Employment Survey: ends September 10

<b>Who should participate?</b>	Businesses in Halton Region. Your participation makes a difference in helping us plan and ensure Halton remains a great place to live, work and run a business.
<b>Timeframe</b>	May 11 – September 30, 2015
<b>How to participate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online: visit <a href="http://halton.ca/employmentsurvey">halton.ca/employmentsurvey</a></li> <li>• In person: A team of surveyors from the Region's Planning Services Division will visit every business establishment in Halton.</li> </ul>
<b>Purpose</b>	<p>Data collected through the Survey:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• helps to monitor the Region's economic health;</li> <li>• supports policy and decision-making; and</li> <li>• provides essential background information for forecasting and planning the Region's infrastructure and services for Halton's residents and businesses.</li> </ul>
<b>What type of information is gathered?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The number of employees working at each location.</li> <li>• Type of business activity/employment.</li> </ul>
<b>How will the survey information be used?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data from the Survey will be published in the 2015 Employment Survey Results report in early 2016.</li> <li>• Individual business information will not be published in the results of the Region's survey.</li> <li>• Survey data will be shared with our Local Municipalities and used for planning-related purposes.</li> </ul>
<b>How to identify surveyors</b>	The surveyors will wear a Halton Region shirt and cap, each bearing the Halton Region logo, as well as a visible photo ID card that identifies them as part of the "Halton Employment Survey Team 2015."
<b>Questions?</b>	If you have any questions or comments regarding the survey, please contact Planning Services at 905-825-6000, ext. 7686.

## Financial outlook continues to be strong for Halton Region

Halton Region has released its 2014 Annual Financial Report highlighting financial results from the past year. This report demonstrates Halton's commitment to maintaining its strong financial position. For the last 24 years, Halton Region has achieved a AAA credit rating, which is the highest credit rating possible. It has enabled us to keep taxes low or at the rate of inflation, with a zero per cent average annual tax increase over the past eight years. To learn more, visit [halton.ca/annualreport](http://halton.ca/annualreport).



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