

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

♦ [Holy Week & Easter Sunday events:](#)

- Preparatory Worship – Wednesday, April 16 @ 7 pm
- Maundy Thursday Worship – Thursday, April 17 @ 7 pm
- Good Friday Community Worship – Friday April 18 @ 2 pm @ Pleasant View's Hoffer Auditorium
- Early Easter Sunday – April 20 @ 8 am in Memorial Garden w/ Light Breakfast to follow
- Easter Sunday w/Holy Communion - April 20 @ 9:30 am

- ♦ The [FREE Community Breakfast](#) will be held on Saturday, April 19 from 8:30-10 am. On the menu this month is Pancake Casserole and Baked Oatmeal. Hope to see you there!



From Pastor Bill Long:

If you have questions about anything you've heard today, please feel free to contact us. We'd love to talk with you and get to know you! Pastor Bill Long's office hours are Monday-Thursday 9 am-1 pm. For other times, call the church office at 717.665.2447.

If you need Pastoral Care: If you are hospitalized or in crisis, please notify the church office at 717.665.2447 during weekday hours, or for **emergency** weekends, please call the church and leave a message – messages are monitored daily and your call will be returned shortly.

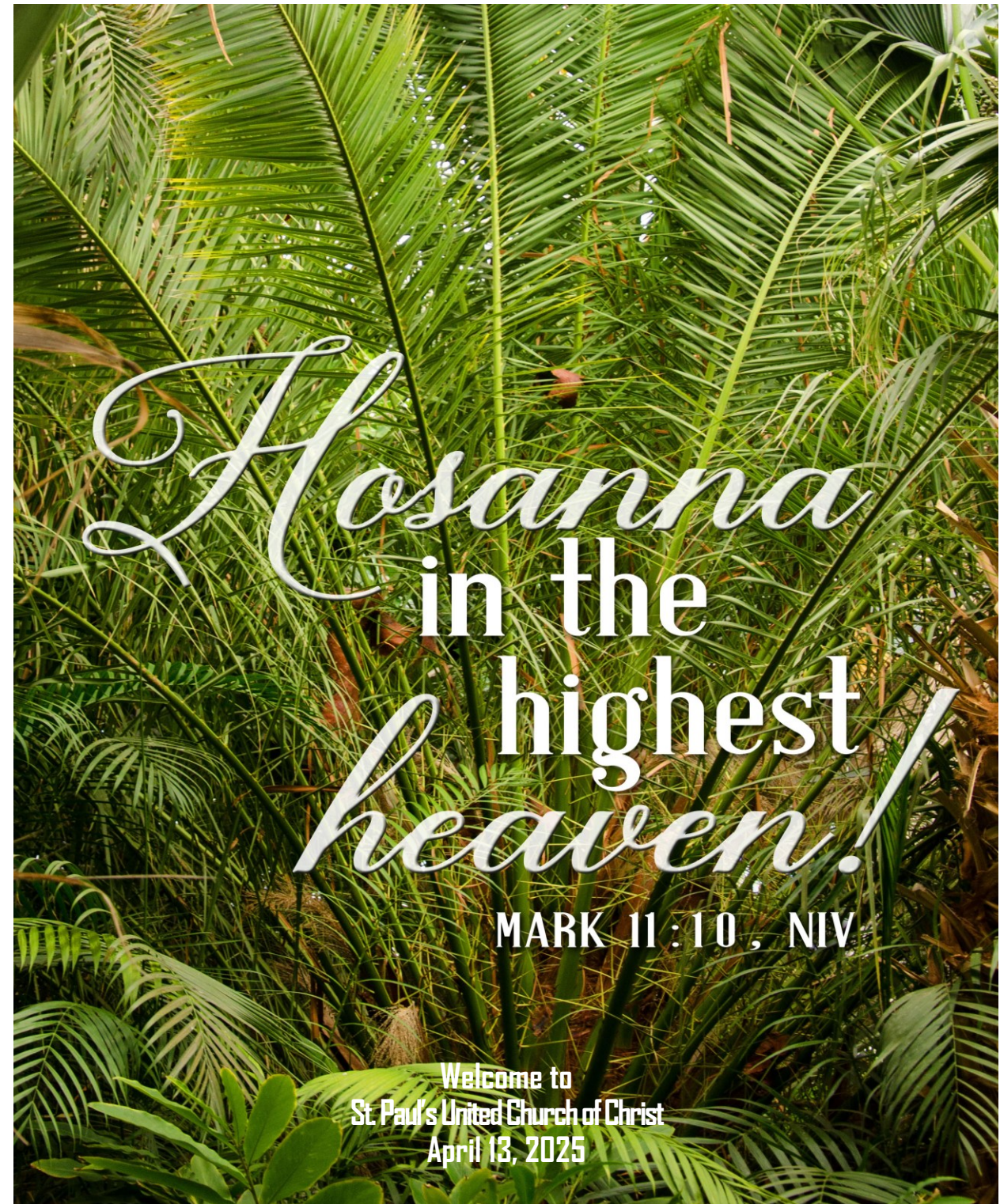
Church Calendar

Sunday: 9 am Prayer
9:30 am [One Worship](#)
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)
Tuesday: 6 pm Church Council w/New Voices
Wednesday: 1:30 pm [Communion @ Pleasant View](#)
7 pm [Preparatory Worship](#)
Thursday: 9 am Simply Yoga
7 pm [Maundy Thursday Worship Service](#)
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
Friday: 2 pm [Community Good Friday Worship @ Pleasant View](#)
Saturday: 8:30-10 am FREE Community Breakfast
Next
Sunday: 8 am [Early Easter Worship](#)/Newsletter Deadline
8:30 am [Easter Morning Light Breakfast](#)
9:30 am [One Worship – Easter Sunday](#)

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April 13, 2025

WELCOME to ST. PAUL'S

Making a Difference through the Love of Christ to
Know God ♦ Love God ♦ Serve God

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

"The Holy City"

- Adams

Call to Prayer/Prayer of the Day

Blessing of the Palms

♦ Hymn #300

["All Glory, Laud and Honor"](#)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Psalm of the Day-[Psalm 31:9-16](#))

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♦ Offertory #815

Chancel Choir

"Ride On King Jesus"

- Kern

Prayers of Intercession

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Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed (partial)

P: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. Amen.

Reading of Scripture

[Isaiah 50:4-9/Philippians 2:5-11](#)/♦[St. Luke 22:14-23:56](#)

Sermon

["From Triumph to Tragedy"](#)

- Pastor Bill Long

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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Stripping of the Altar

♦ Hymn #316

["O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"](#)

♦ Benediction

♦ Postlude

"Day of Triumph"

- Moore

♦ All who are able may stand

Announcements

Welcome! It's so great to worship with you once again!

Worship Assistants:

Greeters/Ushers: Kermit & Dottie Drumheller
Music Provided by June Smith, John Degler
The Altar Flowers are placed To the Glory of God.

Offering Options: Your offering is a part of worshipping God. St. Paul's offers several ways to give your offering:

- ♦ Drop your envelope in the donation box as you leave church today.
- ♦ Mail your offering to the church.
- ♦ If you use online banking, use the Bill Pay option.
- ♦ Or set up direct withdrawals – contact the church office at 717.665.2447 for more information.

Thank you for your continued support of the ministry here @ St. Paul's UCC!

You're Invited to [Coffee Hour!](#)

Following the 9:30 am worship service, please follow the crowd down to Fellowship Hall to enjoy a delicious cup of Whiff Roasters coffee and some scrumptious treats. There's something for everyone! You'll even have a chance to get to know the people of St. Paul's including Pastor Bill Long!

[Nursery Care](#)

The Nursery will be staffed on the 1st Sunday of each month and will include a Bible lesson. For other Sundays, the nursery is available unstaffed to parents and children to use during worship as the service is livestreamed into the nursery.

Mission of the Month

The April Mission of the Month is St. Paul's Shepherd's Fund which helps members and friends of St. Paul's with unexpected financial need. Please use your April special envelope to help members and friends facing a financial difficulty to know Christ's love through the care and support of their church community.

Prayers of the People

To update the prayer list, please contact Joan Hess at 717.665.4705.

Please
Pray
for...



Please pray: The earth declares your praise, O God. Make a way for the planet's future in the sea and the wilderness, the mountains and plains, the tundra and wetlands. Repair habitats and sustainable ecosystems on, above, and beneath the ground. Amen.

Today's Prayer: Guide your church this Holy Week as we follow in the servant way of Jesus. Protect those who face hostility or oppression for their faith. Humble those who would use faith to dominate others and reinforce their own power. Amen.

Fellowship & True Vine Cups:

St. Paul's UCC is using True Vine Cups (grape juice) and True Vine Chalice cups (wine in chalice shaped container) for communion as a way to stay safe. True Vine Chalice cups are available with both regular and gluten free wafer; gluten free cups are clearly marked Gluten Free at the chalice opening.

To use the True Vine Cups, please hold the cup firmly and peel the wafer or bread end of the cup first. At the appropriate time, please flip the cup over and carefully peel open the juice side of the cup.

To use the True Vine Chalice cups, hold the cup firmly and peel the wafer end of the cup first. At the appropriate time, please flip the chalice container and carefully peel open the wine side to drink.

If you need assistance, please feel free to check with an usher.



The Sacrament of Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you. **P: And with your spirit.**

L: Lift up your hearts. **P: We lift our hearts up unto the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God. **P: It is right for us to do so.**

♦ Gloria Patri

P: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Prayer of Consecration

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Seraphic Hymn (Hosanna)

P: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabbaoth: Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of Thy Glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

L: Consecrate, therefore, by your Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, and bless us that as we receive them at this table, we may offer you our faith and praise, we may be united with Christ and with one another, and we may continue faithful in all things. In the strength Christ gives us, we offer ourselves to you, eternal God and give thanks that you have called us to serve you. **P: Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again. Amen.**

Hymn #485

["Into My Heart"](#)

Sharing of the Elements

♦ Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: Almighty and Everlasting God,

P: We thank you for the great goodness you have shown toward us by nourishing us through these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior; assuring us that we are members of the mystical body of Christ our Lord. Help us to continue in that Holy Fellowship and do all things that shall please you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory. Amen.