

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

◆ This Fall:

- It's Back to School at [1st Thursday](#) this Thursday, September 4 from 5-8 pm. Kids will receive a free pencil, eraser and backpack tag and snacks and water will be available for all – even your dog!
- [Garden Party & Worship on Sunday, September 14](#) – we'll worship @ 9:30 am in the Memorial Garden and enjoy the great outdoors! Coffee Hour will follow in Fellowship Hall.
- [Family Bingo on Saturday, September 27](#) from 4-6 pm with hot dogs and snacks. Bring a \$5 or 5lb. wrapped gift for prizes!



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](#)
Monday: Happy Labor Day! – Office Closed
Wednesday: 6:30 pm [Bible Study](#)
Thursday: 9 am Simply Yoga
5-8 pm [1st Thursday](#)
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
Next
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St Paul's United Church of Christ

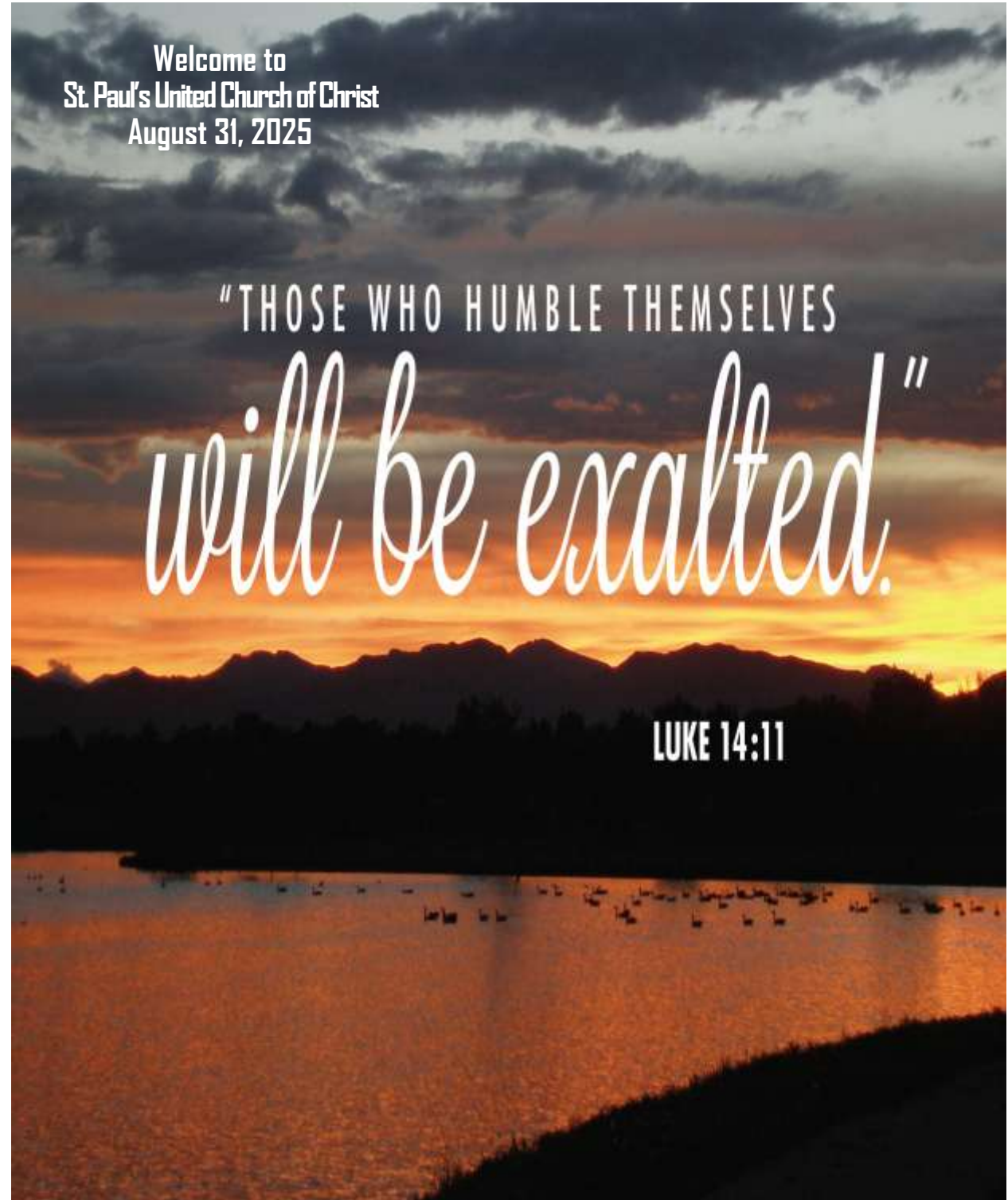
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Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
August 31, 2025

"THOSE WHO HUMBLE THEMSELVES
will be exalted."

LUKE 14:11



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WELCOME to ST. PAUL'S

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

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude/Call to Prayer/Prayer of the Day

"He Leadeth Me"

- Bliss

Call to Worship ([Psalm of the Day](#))

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♦ **Hymn #400**

["Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"](#)

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: Lord, you have put many valuable things into my hands, but I have so many times shown myself to be ungrateful and selfish with your gifts, either hoarding them or wasting them. The good land you have given to me, the gift of freedom, food in abundance, my time of life and the liberal ministry of Your Word have all been too carelessly received and treated by me. Teach me Christ's humility. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ **Offertory #815**

Prayers of Intercession

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Confession of Faith

- from The Heidelberg Catechism

L: What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

P: I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word, out of the entire human race, from the beginning of the world to its end, gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life and united in true faith. And of this community I am and always will be a living member. Amen.

Reading of Scripture

[Proverbs 25:6-7/Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16/ ♦ St. Luke 14:1, 7-14](#)

Sermon

["What Is The Church?"](#)

- Pastor Bill Long

♦ **Hymn #401**

["The Church's One Foundation"](#)

♦ **Benediction**

♦ **Postlude**

"Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus!"

- Smith

♦ 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

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 worship service, please follow the crowd downstairs 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 is available unstaffed for parents and children to use during worship as the service is livestreamed into the nursery. Coloring pages with the lessons for the day are also available in the nursery as well.

Mission of the Month

The August Mission of the Month is [Teen Central](#) which provides middle and high school kids with a safe place to go after school hours that fosters positive relationships and healthy behavior. They also learn life skills and have spiritual input from dedicated Christian volunteers. Please use your August special envelope to help our community kids to Know, Love & Serve God.

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray: God, you satisfy your people with good things. In your steadfast love, receive the cries of all who are bent over under the weight of addiction, isolation, and mental or physical illness. Manifest your healing presence in their midst. Amen.

Today's Prayer: For the hospitality ministries of this congregation, we pray. Give greeters a spirit of welcome for visitors, and bless the work of those who feed and nourish us. Amen.