

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- ◆ Join us for [Coffee Hour](#) in Fellowship Hall following worship today!
- ◆ Be sure to stop by the Bright Library before or after you get your coffee to have your photo taken for the new 2023 Pictorial Directory! No charge for the photo.
- ◆ [Lenten meals and worship](#) begin this Wednesday. Come out and enjoy a light meal @ 6 pm followed by Lenten worship based on "In His Steps."
- ◆ The Matthew Bible Study will not be held during the Lenten season, but will resume on Wednesday, April 11 @ 6:30 pm.



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: 9:00 am Prayer
9:30 am [One Worship](#) in the Sanctuary
or [Listen Live](#) in our Parking Lot
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)/Directory Photos

Monday: 6 pm New Voices Vision Team
Wednesday: 6 pm [Lenten Meal and Worship](#)
7 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday: 5:30 pm Simply Yoga
7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran

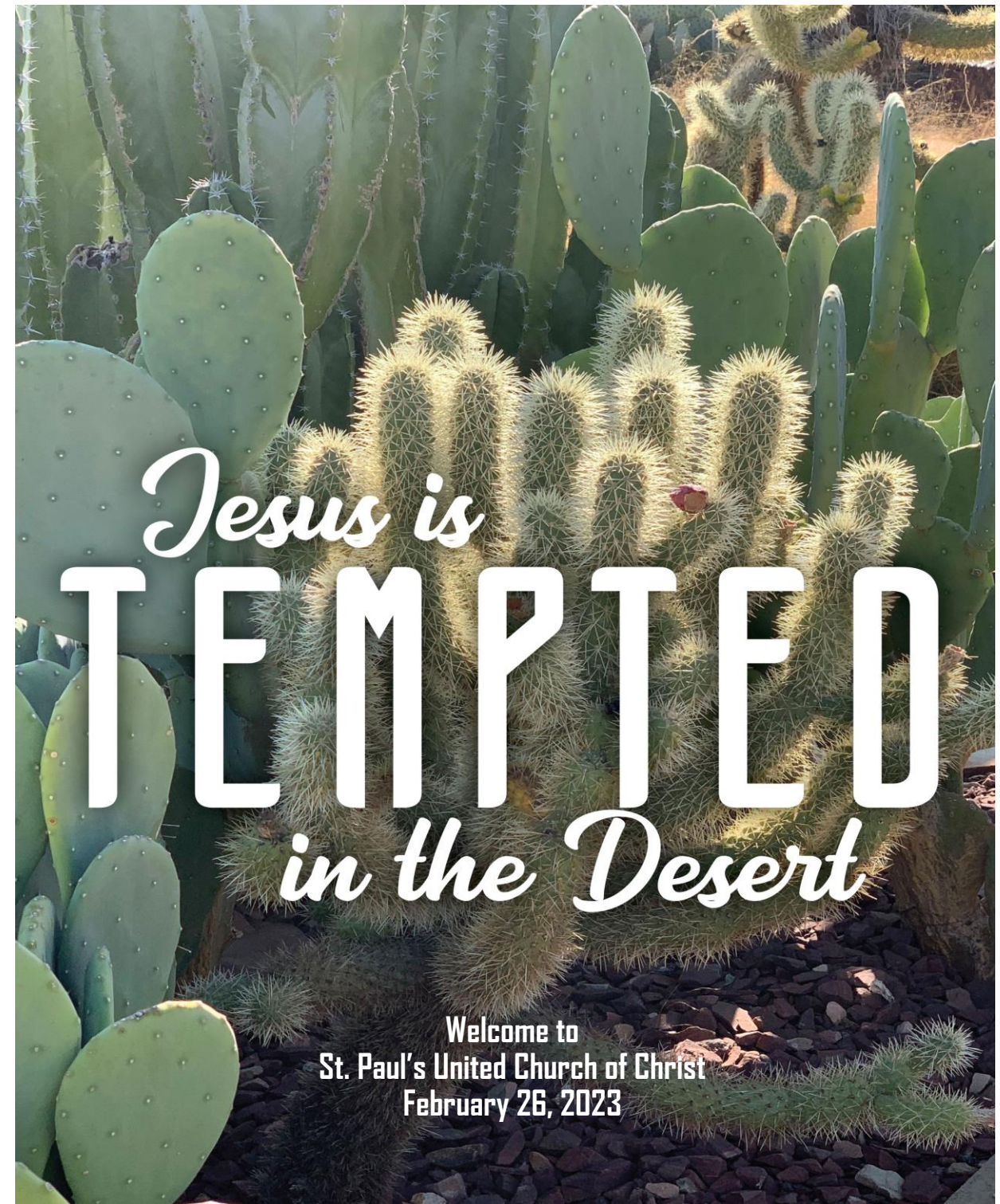
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WELCOME to ST. PAUL'S

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

Welcome & Announcements -

♦ **Call to Prayer/Prayer of the Day/Prelude** "Come Unto Him" - Mauder

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

♦ **Hymn #638** ["I Need Thee Every Hour"](#)

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: O Lamb of God who bleeding; upon the cross you languished; not scorn or malice did break you; so patient is your anguish. On you my guilt is lying, you save me by your dying. Have mercy on me Lord Jesus; have mercy on me. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ **Offertory #796** Verse 3

Prayers of Intercession (Celebrate Insert)

Reading of Scripture [Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7/Romans 5:12-19/St. Matthew 4:1-11](#)

Song ["Desert Song"](#) - Ligertwood

♦ **Confession of Faith** Question #21 from the Heidelberg Catechism

P: What is true faith? True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in his Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God and have been granted salvation. Amen.

Sermon ["I Cannot Bear My Burdens Alone"](#) - Pastor Bill Long

The Sacrament of Holy Communion See Insert

♦ **Hymn #636** ["I Must Tell Jesus"](#)

♦ **Benediction**

♦ **Postlude/Offering** "A Joyous Acclamation" - Smith

♦ All who are able may stand

Announcements

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

Worship Assistants:

Greeters/Ushers: Council Members

Music Provided by June Smith, & Steve 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 offering plate 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!

Souper Bowl Challenge

Thank you for supporting the Souper Bowl Challenge. This week the cans will be counted, and we'll report that total to you next Sunday! Because of you, Pastor Bill will receive his cup of coffee AND many in need will eat a great bowl of soup!

Winter Weather Info

In case of winter weather conditions, be sure to call the church office (717.665.2447) after 8 am on Sundays for service cancellations or delays. Or check our website at www.stpaulsuccmanheim.org for service or event updates or to view the worship service online.

Mission of the Month

The February Mission of the Month is St. Paul's Shepherd's Fund. Please use your special envelope this month to help those in need in our church who are struggling financially to meet shelter, food, fuel, or medical needs. You can make a difference to someone right here in worship!

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray for: God, dwell with your whole creation, from the tallest mountain peak to the deepest valley. Bless the work of conservation organizations and protect vital habitats. Support the work of disaster relief agencies around the world. Amen.

Today's Prayer: You know our temptations God. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Amen.

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. Amen.

Hymn #320 [“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”](#) Verse 3

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.

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.



Easter Flowers

Easter Flowers will once again glorify the Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023.

If you would like to plan an Easter Flower in your or your loved one's name, please fill out this form and return with payment to the church office or place your order and payment in the offering plate, making sure to clearly mark your check for Easter Flowers.

Easter Flowers offered are: White Lily 3-4 blooms, Tulips in a 6" pot, and Daffodils in a 6.5" pot. The cost is \$8.50 each.

Name: _____

☐ In Honor of: _____

☐ In Memory of: _____

White Lily, 3-4 Blooms Quantity ____ x \$8.50 = \$ ____

Tulip, 6" Pot Quantity ____ x \$8.50 = \$ ____

Daffodil, 6.5" Pot Quantity ____ x \$8.50 = \$ ____

The deadline to place your order is Sunday, March 12, 2023.