Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- Join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall following worship!
- Remember to pick up your subs ordered from Women's Fellowship this Thursday from 2-5 pm in Fellowship Hall.
- ◆ The Fellowship Breakfast will be held on Thursday, September 28 @ 8:30 am @ Kountry Kitchen. Please RSVP to Claire Reed @ 717.951.4325 by Monday, September 25.
- Women's Fellowship will meet this Thursday, September 28 @ 1:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. All women are invited and encouraged to attend this important planning meeting and time of friendship!
- ◆ A Blessing of the Animals will be held during 1st Thursday, October 5 from 5-8 pm. Be sure to stop by with your pets!



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 <u>One Worship</u> in the Sanctuary or Listen Live in our Parking Lot

10:30 am Coffee Hour

Wednesday: 6:30 pm Bible Study

Thursday: 8:30 am Fellowship Breakfast

1:30 pm Women's Fellowship

2-5 pm Sub Pick-up

5:30 pm Simply Yoga

7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 7 pm AA ® Zion Lutheran

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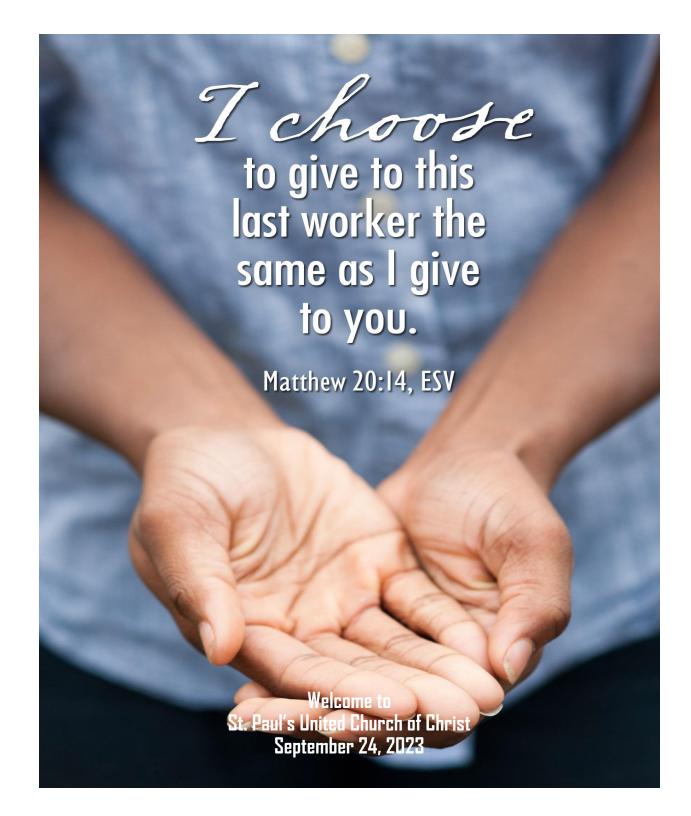
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Making a Difference through the Love of Christ to Know God ◆ Love God ◆ Serve God

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◆ Call to Prayer/Prayer of the Day/Prelude "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

- Inhaston

Call to Worship (Psalm of the Day)

(Celebrate Insert)

◆ Hvmn #317

"O Mighty Cross"

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: God, you are generous in love, huge in mercy. Wash away my guilt. You are the One I have wronged. All my sin is before you. Make a fresh start with me. Bring me back from my night. May Christ always be my light. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ Offertory #815

Prayers of Intercession (Celebrate Insert)

Jonah 3:10-4:11/Philippians 1:21-30/ ◆ St. Matthew 20:1-16 Reading of Scripture

"Reckless Love" - Culver/Asbury/Jackson Song

◆ Confession of Faith Hymn #285 Verse 3 (Sung)

P: Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His gospel is peace. Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, and in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, let all within us praise His holy name. Christ is the Lord! O praise His name forever! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim! His pow'r and glory evermore proclaim! Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

(Celebrate Insert)

Mission Team Update

- Sandy Bareford

Sermon

- Pastor Bill Long

♦ Hymn #139

"Grace!!!!"

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

• Benediction

◆ Postlude "Rejoice In The Lord Always" - Callender

◆ All who are able may stand

Announcements

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

Worship Assistants:

Greeters/Ushers: Phyllis Smeltz 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
- Or set up direct withdrawals contact the church office at 717.665.7447 for more information

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

Bible Study for Fall

A new Bible Study continues on Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. We will study 1 & 2 Peter & the book of Jude this Fall. Study guides are available to pick up on the table outside the church office. All are welcome!

Save the Date for Book Club

Book Club will meet next on Monday, October 2 @ 6 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite book and come prepared to share why it is your favorite! Snacks and beverages will be provided. Then in early 2024, we'll read "Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther "by Roland Bainton.

Mission of the Month

The September Mission of the Month is St. Paul's Mission Team. In the past our team has served at Deep Root's Clairvaux Farm in Earleville, MD and by helping out with the Manheim Project. Please support these mission endeavors by using your September special envelope.

Prayers of the People

To update the prayer list, please contact Joan Hess at 717.665.4705. Please pray for: We pray for our neighbors who face illness of any kind. For

those strained financially, for all living with chronic pain, mental illness, the disease of addiction, or otherwise afraid or in harm's way. Protect all who cry out for mercy. Amen.

Today's Prayer: God who sends the wind and the sun, you know every worm and bush by name. Help us remember that even the humblest parts of creation are precious to you. Show us how best to care for the earth and its creatures. Amen.

