

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- The [Fellowship Breakfast](#) will be held on Thursday, August 27 @ 8:30 am @ The Kountry Kitchen Family Restaurant. All are invited to attend – please RSVP no later than Monday, August 24 to Claire Reed at 717.951.4325.
- [Women's Fellowship](#) will meet @ The Shack on Thursday August 27 @ 1 pm. Ladies, come out and enjoy lunch or just some ice cream while meeting to plan upcoming events. Contact is June Smith or Dottie Drumheller.
- [The Wednesday Night Bible Study](#) will begin again on Wednesday, September 2 @ 6:30 pm in The 3 C's Café. All are welcome to join this incredible study as we learn together more about the minor prophets of the Old Testament. Study guides are available – see Pam Herman for more details.



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: **September Newsletter Deadline!**
9:30 am [One Worship](#)
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)
Wednesday: 1:30 [pm Pleasant View Communion](#)
6:30 pm Prayer Walk
Thursday: 9 am Simply Yoga
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
Saturday: 10 am Simply Yoga
Next
Sunday: 9:30 am [One Worship](#)
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)

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*"I am your brother, Joseph...
GOD SENT ME
before you to preserve life."*

Genesis 45:4-5

Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
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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 "Amazing Grace" - Hughes

Call to Worship ([Psalm of the Day](#)) - Celebrate Insert Page 2

♦ **Hymn #692** "[God Will Take Care of You](#)"

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

L: Eternal God,

P: Your Word is a Light to our heart. We confess that we have failed to respond to your gracious presence in our lives. Through Jesus Christ, you have offered us new life and the freedom to serve you. We confess that we are captive to sin, our sin gives us false pride, and the wrong we do is made worse by the good we leave undone. God of mercy, forgive our sins and strengthen us to serve you. Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ **Offertory #815** "Praise God from whom all blessings flow...."

Prayers of Intercession Celebrate Insert Page 4

Song "[Reckless Love](#)" See Insert

Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Reading of Scripture [Genesis 45:1-15](#)

Sermon "[It Was Not You](#)" - The Rev. F. Christopher Anderson

♦ **Hymn #169** "[Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart](#)" Verses 1, 2 & 5

♦ **Benediction**

♦ **Postlude** "Send The Light" - Turner

♦ 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, Organist

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!

Welcome to [The Rev. F. Christopher Anderson](#)

Today we once again warmly welcome The Rev. F. Christopher Anderson from York, PA who will share his sermon based on Genesis 45. Pastor Anderson is a UCC pastor, works @ God Is Still Laughing, and is also a gifted musician.

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

After worship today, 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!

Mission of the Month

The August Mission of the Month is [Teen Central](#). Please use your August special envelope to support this important ministry that gives teens a safe haven to experience a loving Christian environment while learning life skills. Together, we are making through the Love of Christ difference to Manheim families by Knowing, Loving & Serving God @ Teen Central!

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray for all who struggle amid the storms of life, that they find peace and hope in your loving presence. Comfort any who are lonely and grieving and all who suffer. Amen.

Today's Prayer: We pray for the servants of your gospel in every place, that your word may be heard. Where your voice is scorned and your people persecuted, strengthen the church in its faithful witness. Amen.