

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- ◆ Join us for Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings following worship. Coffee Hour is held in Fellowship Hall.
- ◆ Donations are needed for [Fall Fest](#) which will be held here at St. Paul's on Sunday, October 2 from 4-6 pm. Pumpkins, 8 oz. water bottles, hot dogs & buns are needed. Donations except for food items can be placed in the 1st floor classroom next to the elevator.
- ◆ The next [FREE Community Breakfast](#) will be a sit-down meal held in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, September 17 from 8:30-10 am. All are welcome to attend.



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 regular 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 office 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](#) in the Sanctuary
or [Listen Live](#) in our Parking Lot
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)
Monday: Happy Labor Day – Office Closed
Tuesday: 1:30 pm Staff Meeting
Wednesday: 6:30 pm [Bible Study](#)
7:30 pm Bell Choir
Thursday: 5:30 pm Simply Yoga
7:00 pm AA Meeting @ Zion Lutheran Church
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St Paul's United Church of Christ

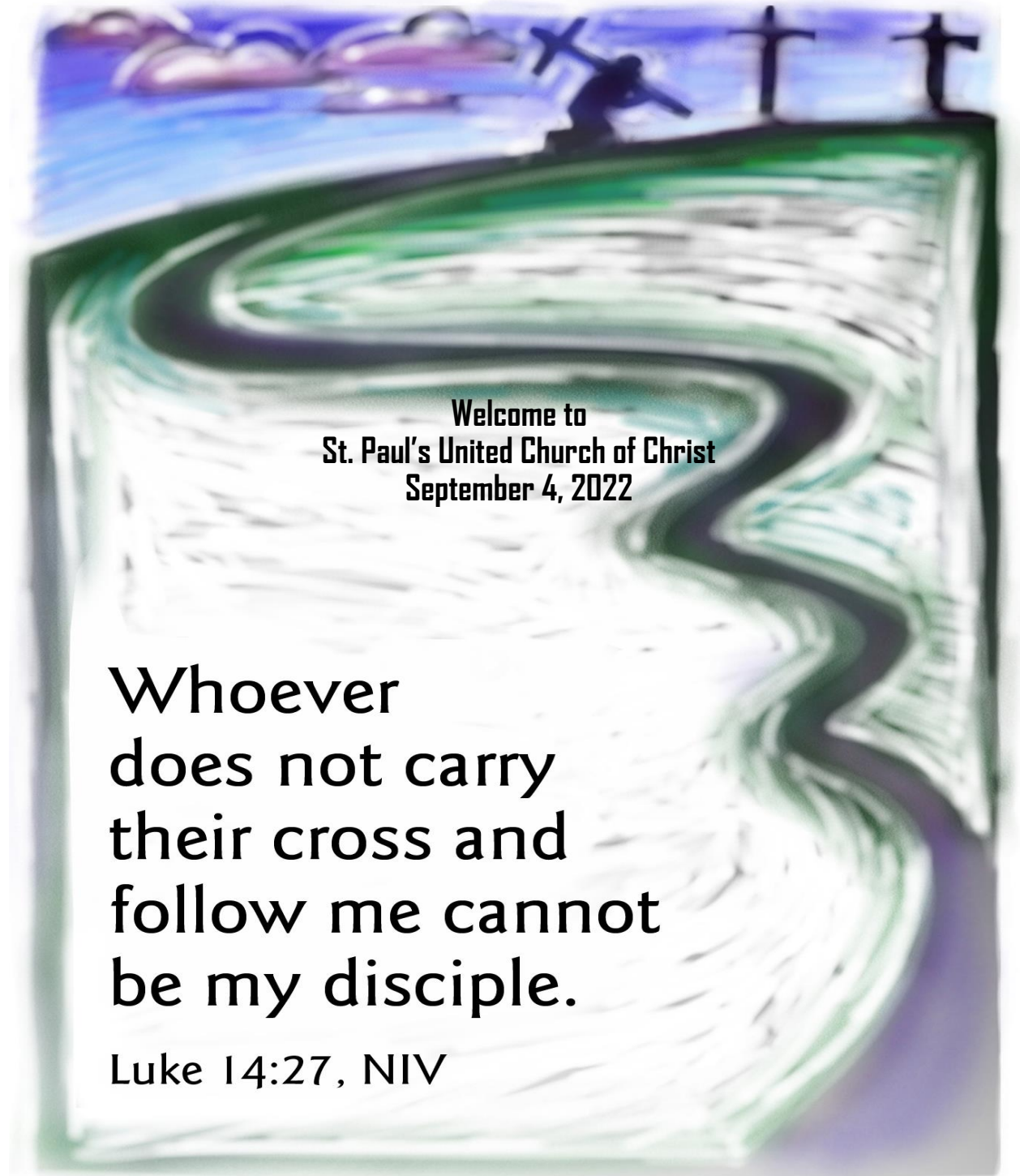
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Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
September 4, 2022

Whoever
does not carry
their cross and
follow me cannot
be my disciple.

Luke 14:27, NIV



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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** "Jesus, Lead Thou On" - Drese
Call to Worship ([Psalm of the Day](#)) (Celebrate Insert)

♦ **Hymn #605** ["Living for Jesus"](#)

♦ Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: Calling God, you invite me to walk the narrow path and to live the life of a servant. Yet I am more concerned with position and prestige, being noticed and appreciated, making sure I am in the right place at the right time. Speak to my heart that I might trust you for all my days, along all my paths, with my every need. Teach me the right balance of pride and humility. Instruct me in living with a humble life that does not neglect the needs of others. Amen.

♦ Assurance of Pardon

♦ Offertory #815

Prayers of Intercession (Celebrate Insert)

Reading of Scripture [Deuteronomy 30:15-20/Philemon 1-21/ ♦ St. Luke 14:25-33](#)

Song ["Battle Belongs"](#) - Johnson/Wickham

♦ 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.

Sermon ["Useful"](#) - Pastor Bill Long

The Sacrament of Holy Communion See Insert

♦ **Hymn 597** ["Take My Life and Let it Be Consecrated"](#) Verses 1, 5, & 6

♦ Benediction

♦ **Pastlude** "God's Glory Is All Around" - Sheppard

♦ All who are able may stand

Announcements

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

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 drop 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!

Voices Needed!

Chancel Choir will hold its first rehearsal on Wednesday, September 14 from 8-9 pm. Come sit in on this first rehearsal – singers are needed for all voices (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass). Contact John Degler at 717.653.4053 for information.

Fall Bible Study

The midweek Bible Study will continue in the Fall on Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm starting September 7. We'll study Numbers using Kay Arthur's "Teach Me Your Ways" - get your copy of the study guide on the table outside the office. All are welcome!

Mission of the Month

The September Mission of the Month is St. Paul's Mission Team. Please use your September special envelope to support the Mission Team as they prepare for next year's mission trip and the Manheim Mission Project. Make a Difference through the Love of Christ as the team goes out in your name for others to Know God, Love God & Serve God.

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray for: all in need, for those who suffer from disease, who struggle with homelessness or food insecurity, for those whose family life is difficult, and for all in this community who need your care. Amen.

Today's Prayer: For the nations and those in authority; for the elected leaders of our towns, states, and country, and for international organizations. Grant wisdom to those who govern and raise up citizens who make decisions in the best interest of their neighbors. Amen.

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 Fellowship Cups (grape juice) and True Vine Cups (wine in chalice shaped container) for communion as a way to stay safe during the Coronavirus. True Vine 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 Fellowship Cups, please hold the cup with one hand. There are two layers to open the cup. The top layer holds the communion wafer – peel the clear layer off first for the wafer. The second layer holds the grape juice – carefully peel the foil layer off and use as a cup for the grape juice.

To use the True Vine 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 Sabaoth; 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 #219

["Surely the Presence \(of the Lord Is in This Place\)"](#)

Sharing of the Elements