

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- ◆ Join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall following worship!
- ◆ A Craft & Game Night will be held on Monday, May 8 from 6-8 pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring our crafts to work on or bring your favorite game to share. Snacks will be provided.
- ◆ The FREE Community Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 20 @ 8:30-10 am. On the menu this month is eggs, bacon and fruit. If you'd like to help out, please contact Sandy Bareford at 717.341.5931 or sandybareford@gmail.com.
- ◆ Sign up today for the Church Picnic to be held on Sunday, May 28 in our parking lot. Sign up on the sheet in the hallway outside the Sanctuary.



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

Monday: 7 pm Property Board

Wednesday: 6:30 pm Matthew Bible Study

Thursday: 5-8 pm 1st Thursday
5:30 pm Simply Yoga
7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran

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They devoted themselves to:
Acts 2:42-47



April 30, 2023

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 "My Tribute"

Call to Worship (Psalm of the Day)

♦ Hymn #401 "The Church's One Foundation"

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all, I acknowledge and confess my many sins. I do earnestly repent, and I am sorry for my misdoings. The remembrance of them is grievous to me. Have mercy on me, have mercy on me, most merciful Father; for the sake of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me all my sins; and grant that I may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ Offertory #815

Prayers of Intercession

Reading of Scripture

Song

♦ 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

"Four Marks of the Church"

- Pastor Bill Long

See Insert

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

- Broughton

♦ Hymn #435

♦ Benediction

♦ Postlude

"Lift Your Hearst In Praise"

♦ 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!

1st Thursday

Next Thursday, May 4 is Manheim's 1st Thursday and St. Paul's will be out on Main Street – stop by and see us from 5-8 pm! We'll be sharing snacks and water and there's even a game for the kids with prizes!

Bible Study

The midweek Bible Study continues on Wednesdays @ 6:30 pm. We'll continue our study of the book of Matthew. All are invited and encouraged to attend this study that mostly follows the Sunday lectionary this year.

Mission of the Month

The April Mission of the Month is the Manheim Central Food Pantry. The Food Pantry serves families in need right here in our community. Please use your April special envelope to make a difference through the love of Christ to our neighbors.

Prayers of the People

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

Please pray for: Linda Coe, Lamar Dourte, Susan Gates, Nancy Gibble, Lois Givler, Gene & Janet Hill, Bev Hockenberry, Nancy Lishman, Maybelle Martin, Rachel Martin, Jane Moyle, Richard Moyle & Linda Shoemaker, Terry Myers, Andre Ressler, Burt Savitz, Bob & Joanna Schreiber, Julia Shreiner, Eric Smeltz, Phyllis Smeltz, Bible2School kids/staff and the Teen Central kids/staff. In the Military: Jessie Dutt.



Today's Prayer: You proclaim shepherding love, comfort, and protection for all people and all of creation. Direct leaders in our own time to learn from your example and instruction. Give them servant hearts, that they generously seek the good of all. Hear us, O God. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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.

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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 #361

"Worship Christ, the Risen King"

Verse 1

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.

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