

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- ◆ **The Revelation Bible Study** will begin again on Wednesday evenings @ 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall beginning April 14. We'll start on Week 4 of the study guide. Even if you didn't begin the study earlier this year, please feel free to continue in the study of this powerful journey through Revelation.
- ◆ **The Free Community Takeout Breakfast** will be served on Saturday, April 17 from 9-10 am. All are welcome to attend. Contact Sandy Bareford at 717.341.5931/sandybareford@gmail.com to help.
- ◆ **Book Club** will meet on Monday, May 10 @ 6 pm in Fellowship Hall to discuss "The Screwtape Letters" by C. S. Lewis. Books are still available on the table outside the church office. Even if you didn't get to finish reading the book or found it disturbing, please plan to attend the book club as there are great insights for believers re: temptation.



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 Pastor Bill Long directly at 717.228.0949.

Church Calendar

- Sunday: 9:30 am [One Worship](#) in the Sanctuary or [Listen Live](#) in our Parking Lot
10:30 am Growing in Faith Team Meeting
10:30 am Mission Team Meeting
- Tuesday: 8:30 am Lancaster Association Meeting
6:30 pm New Voices Vision Team Meeting
- Wednesday: 12:00 pm Manheim Ministerium
6:30 pm [Revelation Bible Study](#)
7:30 pm Elite Bells
- Thursday: 7:00 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
- Saturday: 9:00 am [FREE Community Breakfast](#)
- Next
Sunday: **May Newsletter Deadline!**
9:30 am [One Worship](#) in the Sanctuary or [Listen Live](#) in our Parking Lot

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"Peace
be with you.
As the
Father
has sent me,
so I send you."

John 20:21, NRSV

Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
April 11, 2021

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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

- Praise & Worship** ["Glorious Day \(Living He Loved Me\)"](#) - Chapman/Hall/Bleecker
- ♦ **Call to Prayer/Prayer of the Day/Prelude** *"Resurrection Song"* - Glycannon
- Call to Worship** ([Psalm of the Day](#)) (Celebrate Insert)
- ♦ **Hymn #367** ["Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"](#)
- Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession**
- P:** God of all mercy and consolation, come to my help, turning me from my sin to live for you alone. Give me the power of your Holy Spirit that I may confess my sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, my Savior and Lord. Amen.
- Assurance of Pardon**
- Prayers of Intercession** (Celebrate Insert)
- Reading of Scripture** [Acts 4:32-35](#)/[1 John 1:1-2:2](#)/[St. John 20:19-31](#)
- Song** ["I Will Rise"](#) - Tomlin/Reeves/Giglio/Maher
- ♦ **Confession of Faith**
- P:** What is my only comfort in life and in death? That I am not my own but belong body and soul in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him. Amen.
- Sermon** ["The Earth Shook"](#) - Pastor Bill Long
- The Sacrament of Holy Communion** See Insert
- ♦ **Hymn #90** ["Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"](#)
- ♦ **Benediction**
- ♦ **Postlude/Offering** *"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia"* - Turner
- ♦ 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 Easter 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!

April Mission of the Month

The April Mission of the Month is the Manheim Central Food Pantry. The Food Pantry serves our neighbors who need food stability. Please use your April envelope to support our neighbors in need.

Save the Date

[Pentecost Sunday](#) is May 23 – the day we wear RED to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. To continue the celebration, we'll hold our [Church Picnic](#) that day right here in St. Paul's parking lot. On the menu is Andy Ressler's world-famous BBQ Chicken served with a baked potato and more! And yes, social distancing safety measures will still be in place, so if you feel safer bringing your own picnic supplies, please feel free to do so.

Disaster Relief for Texas

The people of Texas are suffering due to recent winter storms, lack of power and safe water to drink. If you would like to donate, please use your envelope, marked Texas Disaster Relief in the Other line item.

Prayers of the People



Please pray for: Marilyn Barnard, Storm Brewer, John & Betty Condran, Faye Deem, Alison Dyer, Eric Eaby, Lynn Foard, Brooke Gabster, Dan Ganse, Susan Gates, Stephen Glaus, Betty Guynn, Hedy Hontz, Susan Houck, Mary Kiphorn, Jaxson Kulp, Bev Leibold, Adalyn Lotito, Jennifer McCracken, Tabitha Miller, Jane Moyle, Glen & Delores Mumma, Marilyn O'Connor, Bob Prince, Alec Raia, Rhonda Raia, Jack Reed, Denise Russo, Bob & Joanna Schreiber, Lynn Scott, Eric Smeltz, Linda Steiner, Christopher Trostle, Lisa Weaver, John Wenger, Patrick White and the Teen Central kids.

Today's Prayer: You give us fellowship with one another in this faith community of St. Paul's UCC. Shine the light of the risen Christ in our life together, so that we live in love for one another and our joy may be complete. Amen.

90 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

My lips will shout for joy when I sing praise to You. Psalm 71:23

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect Thy rays.
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
 4. Mor - tals, join the might - y cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
 Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean depth of hap - py rest!
 Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Lead - ing us with mer - cy's hand.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the dark of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— All who live in love are Thine.
 Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife.

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day!
 Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain Call us to re - joice in Thee!
 Teach us how to love each oth - er; Lift us to the joy di - vine!
 Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life!

TEXT: Henry van Dyke
 MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven; melody from Ninth Symphony; adapted by Edward Hodges; Last stanza setting and Choral ending by Dan Burgess
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HYMN TO JOY
8.7.8.7.D.

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

Sung Softly

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

L: Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and of your abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We thank you for revealing your will for us in the giving of the law and in the preaching of the prophets.

P: We thank you especially that in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to live in our midst, to share in our suffering, and to accept the pain of death at the hands of those whom Jesus loved. We rejoice that in a perfect victory over the grave you raised Christ with power to become sovereign in your kingdom.

Seraphic Hymn (Hosanna)

Sung Softly

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 #87

["Fairest Lord Jesus"](#)

Verse 1

Sharing of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: Let us pray.

P: Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

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 LIFE OF CHRIST

367 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Matthew 28:6

C G/B C E/A F E/C C C^{7sus} C/E Dm⁷ G⁷/D C E/A C/G G G⁷/C

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King. Al - le - lu - ia!
3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done. Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led. Al - le - lu - ia!

E/A C F C/E Dm⁷ G⁷/D C C/G G C^{7sus} C/E Dm⁷ G⁷/D C E/A C/G G G⁷/C

Sons of men and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
Fought the fight, the bat - tle won. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head. Al - le - lu - ia!

G Am⁷ Am⁶ G/B G F C/E Dm⁷ Dm⁶ C G G^{7sus} G/B D^{7sus} D⁷/A G C/E G/D D D⁷ G

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high. Al - le - lu - ia!
Dy - ing once, He all doth save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Death in vain for - bids Him rise. Al - le - lu - ia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise. Al - le - lu - ia!

G G⁷/C C F G⁷/C Dm C/G G G⁷/C

Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!
Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Charles Wesley

MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; Last stanza setting and Choral ending by Don Hart

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EASTER HYMN

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