

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

- ◆ Join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall following worship today!
- ◆ Be sure to stop by the Bright Library before or after you get your coffee to have your photo taken for the new 2023 Pictorial Directory! No charge for the photo.
- ◆ St. Paul's will hold an [Ash Wednesday](#) worship service @ 7 pm this Wednesday, February 22 in the Sanctuary. This service will include the Imposition of Ashes.
- ◆ The Matthew Bible Study will not be held during the Lenten season, but will resume on Wednesday, April 11 @ 6:30 pm.



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](#)/Directory Photos
Monday: Presidents' Day – Office Closed
Tuesday: 6 pm Spiritual Council
7 pm Church Council
Wednesday: 7 pm [Ash Wednesday](#) Worship Service
Thursday: 8:30 am Fellowship Breakfast
5:30 pm Simply Yoga
7 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
Saturday: 5:15 pm [Young Adult Game Night](#)
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Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
February 19, 2023

TRANSEFIGURATION SUNDAY
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*... his face shone
like the sun,
and his clothes became
white as light.*

MATTHEW 17:2, ESV

February 19, 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** "Lord, Lift Me Up and Let Me Stand" - Keeney

Call to Worship (Psalm of the Day) (Celebrate Insert)

♦ **Hymn #3** ["Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"](#)

Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession

P: I confess that I am wrapped up in sin and cannot free myself. I have not practiced your righteousness. My heart has turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive me, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

♦ **Offertory #815**

Chancel Choir "Give Me Jesus" - R. Dilworth

Prayers of Intercession (Celebrate Insert)

Reading of Scripture Exodus 24:12-18/2 Peter 1:16-21/St. Matthew 17:1-9

Song ["Better Than A Hallelujah"](#) - Hartford/Hart

♦ **Confession of Faith**

P: Why is he called "Christ," meaning, "anointed"? Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance, our only high priest who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us. Amen.

Sermon "On the Sixth Day" - Pastor Bill Long

The Sacrament of Holy Communion See Insert

♦ **Hymn #104** ["O Worship the King"](#)

♦ **Benediction**

♦ **Postlude/Offering** "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name" - Birchwood

♦ 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!

Souper Bowl Challenge

Keep those cans of soup coming to benefit the Manheim Central Food Pantry. Cans of soup will be collected throughout the month of February and if we collect more cans of soup than Zion Lutheran, Pastor Bill will win a cup of coffee!

Winter Weather Info

In case of winter weather conditions, be sure to call the church office (717.665.2447) after 8 am on Sundays for service cancellations or delays. Or check our website at www.stpaulsuccmanheim.org for service or event updates or to view the worship service online.

Mission of the Month

The February Mission of the Month is St. Paul's Shepherd's Fund. Please use your special envelope this month to help those in need in our church who are struggling financially to meet shelter, food, fuel, or medical needs. You can make a difference to someone right here in worship!

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray: God, nurture all in need. Bring healing to all who experience trauma caused by systems of injustice and destructive relationships. Give courage to those struggling to repent and those seeking reconciliation. Sustain all who work for restoration.

Today's Prayer: God, dwell with your whole creation, from the tallest mountain peak to the deepest valley. Bless the work of conservation organizations and protect vital habitats. Support the work of disaster relief agencies around the world. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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. 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 firmly and peel the wafer or bread end of the cup first. At the appropriate time, please flip the container over and carefully peel open the juice side to drink.

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.



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 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 #10

[“Majesty”](#)

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.