

Opportunities to Know God, Love God & Serve God

◆ [Holy Week @ St. Paul's:](#)

- [Preparatory Service](#) - Wednesday, April 1 @ 7 pm
- [Maundy Thursday w/Holy Communion](#) - Thursday, April 2 @ 7 pm
- [Good Friday @ Pleasant View](#) on Friday, April 3 @ 2 pm
- [Easter Sunday](#), April 5 @ 8 am & 9:30 am w/light breakfast between the services.

◆ The [Hebrews Bible Study](#) will begin again on Wednesday, April 8 @ 6:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

◆ [Women's Fellowship](#) will be taking orders for subs on Sundays, April 12, 19 & 26 for a Thursday, May 7 pick-up date.



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 am Prayer
9:30 am [One Worship](#)
10:30 am [Coffee Hour](#)
Wednesday 7 pm [Preparatory Worship Service](#)
Thursday: 9 am Simply Yoga
7 pm [Maundy Thursday Worship Service](#)
7 pm AA @ Zion Lutheran
Friday: 2 pm [Good Friday Worship @ Pleasant View](#)
Saturday: 10 am Simply Yoga
Next
Sunday: 8 am [Early Easter Worship](#)
8:30 -9:20 am [Light Breakfast](#)
9:30 am [One Worship](#)
Next Monday: Office Closed

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PALM Sunday

Welcome to
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
March 29, 2026

“*Hosanna!*
Blessed is He
who comes in the name
of the Lord, indeed, the
King of Israel!”

John 12: 13, NASB

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WELCOME to ST. PAUL'S

Making a Difference through the Love of Christ to
Know God ♦ Love God ♦ Serve God

- Prelude/Procession of the Palms** "The Palms" - Favre/Barnes
- Scripture Reading** [St. Matthew 21:1-11](#) (Celebrate Page 1)
- ♦ **Hymn #300** "[All Glory, Laud and Honor](#)" (Feel free to wave your palms!)
- Prayer of the Day** - Celebrate Insert Page 2
- Call to Worship** ([Isaiah 50:4-9](#)) - Celebrate Insert Page 3
- Call to Confession/Prayer of Confession**
- L: Loving God,
- P:** Many times I have found myself lost on my journey to your Eternal Kingdom. I have tried that which does not last; followed that which goes nowhere; bought things that fall apart. Seeking God, you love me beyond what is reasonable, you call me by name, you search for me through all the seasons of life. Christ of the Cross, open my heart to know you, love you and serve you; for I know you are always with me. Amen.
- Assurance of Pardon**
- ♦ **Offertory #815** "Praise God from whom all blessings flow...."
- Prayers of Intercession** Celebrate Insert Page 4
- Special Music** "Were You There?" arr. Olstad - John Delger on Alto Saxophone
- Confession of Faith** - The Apostles' Creed (partial)
- P:** 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. Amen.
- The Sacrament of Holy Communion** See Insert
- Reading of Scripture** [Psalm 31:9-16](#)/[Philippians 2:5-11](#)/ ♦ [St. Matthew 21:1-11](#)
- Sermon** "[For I Am In Trouble](#)" - Pastor Bill Long
- Stripping of the Altar**
- ♦ **Hymn #316** "[O Sacred Head, Now Wounded](#)"
- Departure** - we leave the Sanctuary in silence.
- ♦ **Postlude** "Thine Is The Glory" - Hughes/Handel

♦ 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!

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 and you'll have a chance to get to know the people of St. Paul's UCC and Pastor Bill Long!

[Inclement Weather Policy](#)

In case of inclement weather, please call the church office at 717.665.2447 (after 8 am on Sundays) for service/event cancellations or delays. WGAL.com, WGAL and our website are other options to check as well.

Mission of the Month

The March Mission of the Month is [Heifer International](#) and [One Great Hour of Sharing](#) on March 8. Heifer International aims to end hunger/poverty by supporting and investing in local farmers and communities. One Hour of Sharing is a UCC Fund that helps with various humanitarian and disaster relief efforts worldwide. Please use your special envelope for March to support these missions for all to Know, Love & Serve God.

Prayers of the People

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



Please pray: We pray for this assembly. Ready the hearts and spirits of all preparing to be baptized. Deepen our wonder at the mystery of your resurrection and life.

Today's Prayer: God, your heart breaks open at our pain. Send healing and vindication to all who, like Jesus, know the sting of betrayal, denial, abuse, or false accusations. Be with those experiencing pain or loss this day. Amen.

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. **P: Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again. Amen.**

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.

MY SERMON notes

date: / /

today's scriptures

things to remember



prayers



to study at home:

