

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
"We Shine for All Through Christ"
St. Marys, Ohio

October 5, 2025 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 am

Order of Service

Welcome to our Worship Service today.
Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CHIMES

WELCOME

PRELUDE Church Band "I Love to Tell The Story"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Today we gather around God's table from near and far.

People: We are the People of God!

Leader: Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

People: We are brothers and sisters in Christ!

Leader: For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism.

People: We are One in God's Spirit!

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

People: We come humbly to worship God!

Sunday School Children Sing
Children's Message

***HYMN #35 "Morning Has Broken "**

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns Visitors Birthdays

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** (Offer God's peace to those nearby)
Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.
People: and also with you.

***HYMN #422 "Amazing Grace"**

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Gratitude" - Hastings and Lake
***DOXOLOGY *PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TODAY'S NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1CORINTHIANS 12:1-13

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON "Unwrapping the Gifts of the Spirit" Pastor Ed Karges

Prayer for Worldwide Communion Sunday

Gracious God, we thank You that Your table stretches across every nation and language. On this Worldwide Communion Sunday, make us one with all who follow Christ. Forgive our divisions, fill us with Your Spirit, and send us out as one body to share Your love with the world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Service of Holy Communion

***HYMN # 302 "He Lives"**

***Benediction**

POSTLUDE

*Denotes those who are able are invited to stand in body and in spirit.

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Organist: Andrea Spencer

Pianist: Kathlene Larson

Youth Director: Nick Frankenhauser

Children's Music: Maddy Frankenhauser

Administrative Assistant: Steve Slawson

Missionaries: All Members of our Congregation

Multi-Media: Jim Huckemeyer

Multi-Media: Derick Johnson

Organist: Ann Vogel

Organist: Darryl Smith

Confirmation: Amy Keller

Children's Ministry: Jane Nuss

Church Historian: Fred Scheer

Custodians: Brad and Nam Gehrlich

Liturgist: Diane Gayer

Our Giving to God, September 28, 2025

Current - \$ 2,638 / Mission - \$ 885

(Includes Vanco e-giving for the week)

Attendance – 108

Loose offering today will go to the Organ Fund

Altar Flowers today are in celebration of Sandra Clausing's 87th Birthday,
and in honor of all the October Birthdays at St. Paul's UCC

PRAYER CANDLES

If you would like someone to light a candle for you, place a card in the basket (located in the back center of the sanctuary) and a designated helper will light a candle for you.



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201 N. Perry St., St. Marys, Ohio

October 5, 2025

"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please continue praying for: Sidney Smith, Jeff Lemming, Lucas Knatz, and Stonie Patterson, Jr.,
- Cheryl Kline, who is recovering from a mild stroke
- Eric & Alyssa Anderson, with the loss of Alyssa's mother, Shelly Bricher, who passed away this past Friday,
- All Legacy Members and Shut-ins, and the caregivers who provide them care,
- All those illnesses which cannot be seen.

All prayer requests should be given to the lead person of our Prayer Team, Carol Schmidt: cschmidt@stpaulsuccsm.com, or you can call or text her at 419-305-6164.

If anyone would like to become a member of the prayer team and receive emails/ updates for prayer requests, please submit your email address to Carol Schmidt at: lschmidt@bright.net or text 419-394-6164.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

Reminder, our Adult Bible Study, “Love God, Love Self, Love Neighbor” with Pastor Ed, meets on Thursdays, 6:30–7:30 pm in Heritage Hall.

The Caregiving Support Group will meet tomorrow at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

Our next BINGO will be at Otterbein this Tuesday, October 7th at 5:30 pm.

Consistory meets this Wednesday, October 8th at 6:00 pm.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER: The family of Marilyn Schroer is asking the congregation to please send Marilyn Schroer a card to celebrate her 90th birthday on October 11th. Her address is 11292 Bob White Lane, St. Marys, OH. Thank you!

Our Neighbors in Need offering is today. This is a special mission offering for the United Church of Christ, supporting ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this

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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NURSERY AND PRE-SCHOOL TODDLER CARE – We have a Nursery available for those that need it. Children in 1st Grade and older should remain in the church.

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE restroom is located on the sanctuary level near the Hospitality Room, and it also contains a baby changing table.

ENLARGED BULLETINS & HEARING DEVICES - Available if needed (consult an usher).

TELEVISED WORSHIP SERVICE - Our worship service here at St. Paul’s is shown on **TSC cable - Digital channel 1 or non-digital channel 2**, on Sundays, 10:00 am, and again Monday at 7:00 pm.

WORSHIP SERVICE ON THE INTERNET – If you do not have TSC cable, you can watch our service on our church web page at www.spuccsm.com or on YouTube.

EMERGENCY AED – There is an emergency AED Unit located on the wall behind the Media Table in the Sanctuary.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S

Handicap Accessible and Live Streamed

Today	8:45 am	Adult Forum Class
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Morning Worship with Pastor Ed Karges
Monday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	7:00 pm	Caregiving Support Group
Tuesday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	5:30 pm	BINGO at Otterbein
Wednesday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	9:00 am	Quilting
	6:00 pm	Consistory
Thursday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Bible Study in Heritage Hall
Friday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
Next Sunday	8:45 am	Adult Forum Class
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Interested in joining our church? Please see Pastor Ed for information.

Communion Service

L: God be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to God.

L: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

P: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

L: We give you thanks, Holy One, Almighty and eternal God, always and everywhere, the only one begotten by you before all time, by whom you made the world and all things.

We bless you for your continual love and care for every creature. We praise you for forming us in your image and for calling us to be your people.

Although we rebelled against your love, you did not abandon us in our sin but sent to us prophets and teachers to lead us into the way of salvation.

Above all, we give you thanks for the gift of Jesus our only savior, who is the way, the truth, and the life.

In the fullness of time, you came to us and received our nature in the person of Jesus, who, in obedience to you, by suffering on the cross, and being raised from the dead, delivered us from the way of sin and death.

We praise you that Jesus now reigns with you in glory and ever lives to pray for us. We thank you for the Holy Spirit who leads us into truth, defends us in adversity, and gathers us from every people to unite us in one holy church.

Therefore, with the entire company of saints in heaven and on earth, we worship and glorify you, God most high.

P: Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God most high, Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!

L: For in the night of betrayal Jesus took the bread, and after giving thanks to you, broke the bread, and gave it to the disciples, and said: "Take, eat: This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me," In the same way also after supper, Jesus took the cup, and after giving you thanks, gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you and many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

P: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

L: Holy One, show forth among us the presence of your life-giving Word and Holy Spirit, to sanctify us and your entire church through these holy mysteries. Grant that all who share the communion of the body and blood of our risen Savior may be one in Jesus Christ. May we remain faithful in love and hope, until the perfect feast with our exalted Savior in the eternal joy of your heavenly realm.

P: Gracious God, accept with favor this our sacrifice of praise, which we now present with these holy gifts. We offer to you ourselves, giving you thanks for the perfect offering of the only one begotten by you, Jesus Christ our Savior: By whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, eternal God, now and forever. Amen.

L: Let us pray as Christ our Savior has taught us. **Our Father, who art in...**

10.05.25 Scripture

1CORINTHIANS 12:1-13

Spiritual Gifts

12 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be ignorant. ² You know that when you were gentiles you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of powerful deeds, to another

prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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