

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

June 21, 2026 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Father's Day 10:00am

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 "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" arr. F. Lopez
"Cause your Word to come alive in me, Give me faith for what I cannot see."

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer us, for we come before You in
need of Your grace.
People: You are our God, and we lift our souls to You.
Leader: Day after day we call upon the Lord, trusting in His mercy and steadfast
love.
**People: For You, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in love to all who
call upon You.**
Leader: There is no one like our God. No power, no ruler, no created thing
compares to Him.
People: Great are Your works, O Lord, and marvelous are Your deeds.
Leader: All nations shall come and worship before You and glorify Your name.
People: For You are great and do wondrous things; You alone are God.
Leader: Let us worship the Lord with thankful hearts.
**People: We come to praise His name, trust in His mercy, and rejoice in His
unfailing love.**

*MORNING PRAYER

Gracious and joyful God, we thank You for the gift of this day and for the
many ways You show Your love to us. Through Jesus Christ, You have called us
out of the old ways of sin and into the new life of grace. Help us to remember

that we belong to You and that our lives are meant to reflect Your love,
mercy, and truth. On this Father's Day, we give thanks for fathers,
grandfathers, stepfathers, mentors, and all who have cared for us with
strength and compassion. Bless those who guide and nurture others. Comfort
those who grieve, those who struggle with difficult memories, and those who
long to be fathers but cannot. Remind each of us that in You we find a faithful
and loving Father whose care never fails. As people who have been raised
with Christ, help us to die to all that separates us from You and to live each
day in the power of Your resurrection. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that our
words and actions may honor You and bless those around us. It is in this
spirit that we pray together, Our Father...

*HYMN #21 "This Is My Father's World"

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns Visitors

*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 #50 "Great Is The Lord"

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "The Old Rugged Cross" arr. M. McDonald
*DOXOLOGY *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GOSPEL LESSON MATTHEW 10:24-25

SERMON "The Call Is Not Comfortable" Pastor Ed Karges

*HYMN #530 "Faith of our Fathers"

*Benediction

POSTLUDE "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" arr. M. Hayes

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

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Organist: Andrea Spencer

Youth Director: Nick Frankenhauser

Church Historian: Fred Scheer

Children's Music: Maddy Frankenhauser

Custodians: Brad and Nam Gehrlich

Missionaries: All Members of our Congregation

Multi-Media: Jim Huckemeyer

Multi-Media: Derick Johnson

Organist: Ann Vogel

Pianist: Kathlene Larson

Children's Ministry: Jane Nuss

Confirmation: Amy Keller

Administrative Assistant: Steve Slawson

Liturgist: Ruth Knous

Our Giving to God, June 14, 2026

Current - \$3,463 / Mission - \$156

(Includes Vanco e-giving for the week)

Attendance – 93

Loose offering today will go to the Current Fund

**Altar Flowers are given today by Ron & Margaret Hunter
in celebration of 60 years of marriage**

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

FATHER'S DAY

June 21, 2026

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



**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Please continue praying for: Jeff Lemming, Ron Ketchum, Lucas Knatz,*
- *Kris Vanderhorst, and Sharon Gottschalk,*
- *Leslie Hullinger, as she faces some health issues,*
- *The family of Ann Hudson, who passed away on June 16th,*
- *Prayers for all the Soldiers who find themselves in harm's way all around the world at this time,*
- *All those who have health issues, but prefer to remain anonymous at this time; may they find comfort in knowing they are in our thoughts & prayers,*
- *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: Lschmidt@bright.net, or you can call or text her: 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 419-305-6164.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

Golden Sunday is next Sunday, June 28th. We will recognize those that have been a member of St. Paul's for 50 years or more, those that have been married for 50 years or more, and those that are 80 years of age or older. There will also be a meal after the service. Please R.S.V.P. using the enclosed insert and let us know by Noon on Monday, June 22nd if you plan to attend. Also, if this is the first year that you would fall into one of these categories, please notify the church office so we can make sure you are added to the list.

Mark your calendars and come celebrate with us on Sunday, July 12th as we welcome Pastor Ed at his Installation Service. This is such a joyful moment for our church, and we would love for everyone to be there. After the service, stick around for a luncheon in Fellowship Hall—the Search Committee will provide the main dish, and you're invited to bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share. There's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the sound booth, if you would like to bring a dish. Let's gather together, enjoy some good food, and celebrate our new pastor, Rev. Ed Karges, as we start this exciting new chapter.

FREE HOT DOG & POPCORN NIGHTS! - EVERYBODY WELCOME!

This Summer, St. Paul's United Church of Christ is trying something new! On the **First Thursday of July, August, and September**, we will be offering: Hot Dogs, Popcorn, Bottled Water, maybe some Homemade Cookies, and lots of Friendly Conversation, all **FREE TO THE COMMUNITY!**

Dates: Thursdays, July 2, August 6, and September 3

Time: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: St. Paul's UCC Parking Lot

At St. Paul's UCC, we believe that communities grow stronger when people take time to know one another. We hope these evenings will be a chance to make new friends, share some smiles, and enjoy a summer evening together.

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE: Giving is easy and convenient with our online options! Just download the free Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app from the App Store or Google Play to get started. You can also give anytime by using the link on our website.

We are ALWAYS in need of Liturgists and volunteers to bring flowers for the altar. The 2026 Altar Flower Chart and Liturgist Sign-Up Sheets are posted on the bulletin board behind the Media Table in the Sanctuary.

BUGS BUNNY	HUCKLEBERRY	SYLVESTER
FLIPPER	ROAD RUNNER	YOGI BEAR
PORKY	WOODY	DONALD
TWEETY	DAFFY	POPEYE
CASPER	MICKEY	TOM AND JERRY



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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 at 10:00am. (1 week delay), and then again on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

WORSHIP SERVICE ON THE INTERNET – If you do not have TSC cable, you can watch our service on our 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.

<u>THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S</u>		
Handicap Accessible and Live Streamed		
Today	10:00 am	Morning Worship with Pastor Ed Karges
Monday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
Tuesday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
Wednesday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	9:00 am	Quilting
Thursday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
	4:30 pm – 5:15 pm	Breaking Bread
Friday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
Next Sunday	10:00 am	Morning Worship with Pastor Ed Karges

Interested in joining our church? Please see Pastor Ed for information.

06.21.26 SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 10:24-25

²⁴ “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!