

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

June 28, 2026 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost 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 “When Morning Gilds the Skies” arr. Lloyd Larson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How long, O Lord? Sometimes we come carrying questions, burdens, and worries.

People: Yet we come trusting that God hears our cries.

Leader: When the way seems uncertain and our hearts are troubled,

People: We remember God's steadfast love never fails.

Leader: When we feel forgotten or overwhelmed,

People: We place our hope in the One who is always faithful.

Leader: God has been our help in days gone by and remains our strength today.

People: Our hearts rejoice in God's salvation and grace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord, who listens to our prayers and surrounds us with unfailing love.

People: We will sing to the Lord, for God has been good to us. Let us worship God!

*MORNING PRAYER

Gracious and joyful God, we gather this morning to praise Your steadfast love and proclaim Your faithfulness from generation to generation. You have been our refuge and strength, our guide and protector, and Your promises endure forever. Teach us to walk in the light of Your presence. When we are discouraged, lift our hearts with the joy that comes from knowing You. When we are uncertain, remind us that Your faithfulness is greater than our fears. When we are weak,

strengthen us with Your righteousness and grace. Help us to live as people who trust in Your covenant love, who seek Your will, and who reflect Your goodness in our words and actions. May our worship honor You, our fellowship encourage one another, and our lives bear witness to Your enduring mercy. For You are our shield and our strength, our hope and our salvation. Receive our praise and guide us in the way of Christ. It is in this spirit that we pray together, Our Father...

*HYMN # 2 “O Worship the King”

NEW MEMBER PRESENTATION

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 # 451 “Be Still, My Soul”

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY “In Christ Alone” arr. Carol Tornquist

*DOXOLOGY *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SPECIAL MUSIC KERA DORSTEN "God Will Take Care of You"

THE GOSPEL LESSON MATTHEW 10:26-31

SERMON “FACING FEAR” Pastor Ed Karges

*HYMN # 614 “Let There Be Peace On Earth”

*Benediction

POSTLUDE “Shower the People” arr. Carol Tornquist

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

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Organist: Andrea Spencer

Children's Ministry: Jane Nuss

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

Youth Director: Nick Frankenhauser

Church Historian: Fred Scheer

Confirmation: Amy Keller

Custodians: Brad and Nam Gehrlich

Liturgist: Stephanie Marsee

Our Giving to God, June 21, 2026

Current - \$1,999 / Mission --

(Includes Vanco e-giving for the week)

Attendance – 75

Loose offering today will go to the Current Fund

Altar Flowers are given today by Miriam Lynch

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

June 28, 2026

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



RAYER REQUESTS

- *Please continue praying for: Jeff Lemming, Lucas Knatz, Kris Vanderhorst, Sharon Gottschalk, and Leslie Hullinger,*
- *Ron Ketchum, who is recovering from a fall,*
- *Leroy Kogge, who is recovering from a fall,*
- *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

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.

Come, join us for an All Church Family Picnic on Sunday, August 23rd.

The picnic will be at 12:00 pm at Mills Park under the Pavillion next to the Splash Pad. Drinks, Plates, Silverware and Meat will be provided. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert, maybe a lawn chair. Join us for a wonderful time of Food, Fun and Fellowship!

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.

BACKYARD	FRONT LAWN	PORCH
FENCED YARD	NEIGHBORS	TRICYCLE
LAWN CARE	STATION WAGON	EVENING WALK
SPRINKLER	DOG HOUSE	GARDEN HOSE
BARBECUE	GARAGE	SANDWICHES



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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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S		
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
	11:30 am	Ladies Luncheon at JT’s
	4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Hot Dog Thursday Community Fellowship
Friday	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY
Next Sunday	10:00 am	Morning Worship with Pastor Ed Karges

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

06.28.26 SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 10:26-31

Whom to Fear

²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

St. Paul's Member 50 yrs.

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Robert Adams
Rebecca Anderson
Sharon Anderson
Susan Braun
Kenneth Briggs
Pat Briggs
Ronald Burris
Calvin Caywood
Galen Cisco
John Cisco
Ruth Cisco
Sandra Clausing
Ramona Cook
Judy Cooper
Allison Craft
Jeffrey Deitsch
Rebecca Davis
Connie Dennings
David Dickman
Tom Dickman
Kathy Dieringer
Ruth Dustman
Mick Eymer
Adele Fast
Diane Gayer
Sharon Gottschalk
Sheryl Gray
Joyce Greenawalt
Melody Grunden
Lynda Hadley
Linda Hall
Betty Hall

Marsha Heckler
Paul Henning
Darlene Hollman

James Hollman
John T. Holtzapple
Mary E. Holtzapple
Leslie Hullinger
Margaret Hunter
Ronald Hunter
Karen James
Dennis Katter
Janice Katterheinrich
Steve Katterheinrich
Amy Keller
Joyce Keller
Glenda Kellermeyer
Ronald Ketchum
Jean Koeper
Kenneth Koeper
Leroy Kogge
Roxanne Lengerich
Barbara Lhamon
Tim Lhamon
Irene Lininger
David Luedeke
Jenny Luedeke
Tom Luedeke
Neal McCune
Linda McDonald
Mary McDonald
Tony McDonald
Deb McKee
David Miller
Allen Nuss

Jane Nuss
James Nuss
William Nuss
Lori Now
Dean Phipps

Pam Prater
Diana Prichard
Dorothy Quellhorst
Kevin Quellhorst
Becky Rasaweher
Donald Raymond
Joyce Roth
Neva Rowen
Fred Scheer
Pam Scheer
Dale Schmidt
Carol Schmidt
Lynn Schmidt
Sue Schnelle
Bernard Schroer
Marilyn Schroer
Carolyn Schuller
Sue Schumacher
Gary Seewer
Sara Seewer
Beverly Sharpe
Joy Sibold
Mary Smith
Rich Spencer
Craig Speckman
Sharon Sullivan
Duane Thomas
Dorothy Turpin
George Turpin

Kris Vanderhorst
Ann Vogel
Judy Waesch
Mary Wale
Teresa Wood
Laura Yelton

Age 80 years +
Robert Adams
Kenneth Briggs
Pat Briggs
Ronald Burris
Calvin Caywood
Galen Cisco
John Cisco
Sandra Clausing
Ramona Cook
JoAnn Danmeyer
Ruth Dustman
Janice Farley
Ruth Anne Foote
Connie Gibson
Janet Gibson
Sharon Gottschalk
Betty Hall
David Hainline
Paul Henning
James Hollman
Ron Hunter
Janice Katterheinrich
Cheryl Kline
Leroy Kogge
Irene Lininger

Meredith Luedeke
Mary McDonald
Wynette Mase
Juanita Masonbrink
Eleanor Morgan
Diana Prichard
Nanette Price
Dorothy Quellhorst

Rebecca Rasaweher
Mary Ann Rempe
Linda Rohde
Bernie Schroer
Marilyn Schroer
Carolyn Schuller
Bob Schumacher
Beverly Sharpe
Jeanette Tangeman
Dorothy Turpin
George Turpin
Ann Vogel
Judy Waesch
Mary Wale
Inez Weisenbarger
Mooneen Wurster
Fred Waesch
Jean Waesch

Married 50 years +
Gary & Barbara Bradford
Ken & Susan Braun
Kenneth & Pat Briggs
John & Jill Bowers
Calvin & Dianne Caywood
John & Ruth Cisco
Daniel & Mary Haley
James & Darlene Hollman
John T. & Mary Holtzapple
Steve & Leslie Hullinger
Ron & Margaret Hunter
Mike & Terri Kerns
William & Jane Nuss
Jim & Neva Rowen
Fred & Pam Scheer
Lynn & Carol Schmidt
Bernard & Marilyn Schroer
Greg & Mary Schumm
Gary & Sara Seewer
Darryl & Jean Smith
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