

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

June 7, 2026 Second 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
WELCOME – AMY KELLER**

**VBS PROGRAM
Thank you! To all who helped with VBS.**

PRELUDE “Festive Praise” – Lloyd Larson

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the upright.

**People: We come to sing with joy and worship the God whose love fills
the earth.**

Leader: By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of
God all creation came to life.

**People: We stand in awe before the Creator whose faithfulness endures
forever.**

Leader: The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the steadfast love of the Lord
fills the earth.

People: We place our hope in God, whose mercy and truth guide our lives.

Leader: Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people chosen to walk in
His ways.

People: May our hearts seek the Lord with gladness, gratitude, and praise.

Leader: Let all the earth worship the Lord!

People: Let us lift our voices in joyful praise to God!

***MORNING PRAYER**

Faithful and loving God, You call us not only to hear Your voice, but to
respond with thankful and faithful hearts. Too often we come before You
distracted, worried, or relying more on ourselves than on You. Forgive us for
the times we forget that You desire gratitude, trust, and lives shaped by Your
love more than empty words or routine actions. Teach us to offer You our
thanksgiving, our praise, and our daily lives. In times of trouble, remind us to
call upon You with confidence, knowing that You hear us and walk beside us.
Renew our hearts this day so that our worship may be sincere, our faith may
grow deeper, and our lives may reflect Your goodness to the world around us.
It is in this spirit that we pray together, Our Father...

***HYMN #59 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”**

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 #595 “They’ll Know We Are”**

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY “Children’s Suite” – Mark Hayes
***DOXOLOGY *PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

THE GOSPEL LESSON MATTHEW 9: 9-13, 18-26

***HYMN #102 “His Name Is Wonderful”**

***Benediction**

POSTLUDE “Trumpet Tune” – Henry Purcell

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

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Pianist/Music Coordinator: Becky Anderson

Organist: Andrea Spencer

Confirmation: Amy Keller

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

Pianist: Kathlene Larson

Children's Ministry: Jane Nuss

Church Historian: Fred Scheer

Custodians: Brad and Nam Gehrlich

Liturgist: Lynda Hadley

Our Giving to God, May 31, 2026

Current - \$ 3,077 / Missions - \$ 206

(Includes Vanco e-giving for the week)

Attendance – 104

**Altar Flowers are given today by Darryl & Jean Smith in honor
of their 50th Wedding Anniversary**

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



**UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST**

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS

Pastor Ed will be on Vacation from June 7th – 20th. In the event of a Pastoral Emergency, please contact Rev. David Hainer at (616) 706-4496.

The new Security System Control Panel is active, and we will be utilizing it starting tomorrow. It is located inside the Education Building West Door. The office and building hours have not changed so generally speaking you should not notice any difference... If you feel that you need to have a security code for after-hours access and you have not already been contacted, please reach out to one of the trustees.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL’S

Handicap Accessible and Live Streamed

Today	10:00 am	Morning Worship / VBS Program
Monday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Closed
Tuesday	9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Church Office Hours
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
	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 Kevin Gehres

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Please continue praying for: Jeff Lemming, Ron Ketchum, and Lucas Knatz,*
- *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.

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 CHICKADEE
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 RAT

GREAT BLUE HERON
 CANADA GOOSE
 FLYING FOX
 PHEASANT
 SPARROW
 BLUEJAY
 SWAN

RED TAILED HAWK
 HUMMINGBIRD
 BALD EAGLE
 CARDINAL
 MALLARD
 ORIOLE
 DOVE

As we celebrate another wonderful week of Vacation Bible School, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make VBS such a meaningful and successful ministry!

A special word of appreciation goes to Amy Keller, our VBS Director, whose leadership, organization, creativity, and countless hours of preparation helped bring this year's program to life. We are also deeply grateful to Jane Nuss, Assistant Director, for her dedication, support, and willingness to serve wherever needed throughout the planning and execution of VBS.

We also offer sincere thanks to all of our volunteers who gave their time, energy, talents, and love to share the God's love with our children. Whether you taught lessons, led music, prepared crafts, served snacks and meals, helped with registration, group helpers, decorated, cleaned up, or simply offered encouragement and smiles, your ministry made a difference!

Because of your faithful service, our children experienced God's love in a fun, welcoming, and memorable way. Thank you for investing in the lives of our young people and helping to plant seeds of faith that will continue to grow for years to come.

St. Paul's Church, please join us in thanking Amy, Jane, and all of our VBS volunteers for a job well done! We are truly blessed by your servant hearts and your commitment to sharing Christ's love with others.

Pastor Ed

06.07.26 Scripture

MATTHEW 9: 9-13, 18-26

The Call of Matthew

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made

well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.