

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

April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m./10:30 a.m.  
Order of Service

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES  
CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP  
EASTER VIDEO  
WELCOME/LIGHTING OF THE EASTER CANDLES

PRELUDE "Rejoice, the Lord is King" Peter Benjamin

\*EASTER CALL TO WORSHIP  
Leader: Christ is Risen!  
People: Christ is Risen Indeed!  
Leader: Hallelujah!  
People: On this day we celebrate resurrection.  
Leader: The power of life has overcome the power of death.  
People: Hallelujah!  
Leader: The light of love has shattered the darkness of fear.  
People: Hallelujah!  
Leader: The way of peace has prevailed against the violence of empire.  
People: Hallelujah! We come to worship the God whose resurrection power lives on in the Christ we serve.  
Leader: Come, let us worship the Risen Christ!  
People: Hallelujah!

\*HYMN 288 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" vses 1, 2

\*UNISON PRAYER  
O God of all our days, we come this morning with eager anticipation.  
We seek to know you, to see you, to touch you. Open our hearts,  
that we might experience you anew. Open our lives, that we may be faithful  
witnesses to your resurrection.  
May we, with shouts of joy, proclaim your steadfast, liberating love  
to all people, everywhere. Amen.

\*HYMN 288 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" vses 3, 4

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY  
Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family  
Introduction of Guests Anniversaries

BELL CHOIR (10:30 A.M. ONLY) "Faith of Our Fathers" arr. Frances J. Callahan  
"For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. Bob Burroughs

OFFERTORY, \*DOXOLOGY, AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" G.F. Handel

\*HYMN 317 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

THE EASTER STORY 7:00 a.m. Mark 16:1-8  
10:30 a.m. Matt 28:1-10

SERMON 7:00 a.m. "Life Unburied" Rev. Rhonda Hainer  
10:30 a.m. "Good Morning. Now Go Home" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN #287 "Lift High the Cross"

\*BENEDICTION

BELL CHOIR (10:30 A.M. ONLY) "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again" arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

POSTLUDE "Hallelujah" G.F. Handel

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



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Rev. Rhonda A. Hainer, Pastor	Joan Leffel and Jane Nuss, Children’s Ministry Coordinators
Cynthia Hanover, Choir/Church Pianist	Amy Keller, Confirmation Teacher
Ann Vogel, Organist	Andrea Spencer, Organist
Nick Frankenhauser, Youth Director	Madeline Frankenhauser, Children’s Music Director
Carolyn Garrison, Administrative Assistant	Brad and Nam Gehrlich, Custodian
Rich Spencer, Audio and Video	Tracy Winget, Sunday Nursery Supervisor
Becky Anderson, Church Pianist, and	Jeanette Tangeman, Back Bay Missionary
Volunteer Coordinator of Special Music	

Liturgists.....	7:00 a.m. David Hainer
	10:30 a.m. Greg Leffel
Acolytes .....	Deacons
Missionaries.....	Members of our Congregation

*Our Giving to God April 2, 2023*  
*Current - \$4900.00 and Mission - \$745.00*  
*Attendance – 161*



**Agape Ministries is in need of volunteers!** If you are interested, contact Kris Rasneor, Program Manager at Agape Ministries, 419-394-8700.

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**ATTENTION:** Our home bound/shut-ins love to receive notes and cards. If you would like to send some cards to them, call or email the church office for a list of names and addresses!

### **STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

Take note that there are colored notecards in the pews. Please take a minute before church to answer the monthly “Stewardship Reflecting Question” that will be printed in the bulletin. Please write your response on your notecard and drop it in the offering plate! You can include your name on your response, or you can remain anonymous. Responses will be compiled and shared on the screens before church services.

**APRIL QUESTION: How do you feel you’ve been a good steward of God’s blessings?  
What are some ways to be better stewards of these gifts?**

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### **ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS/CAMPERS**

Please inform Jane Nuss and Joni Leffel if you are going to church camp by **May 1st**, so that the church has time to submit funds towards your camp fees. Please email us, or text/call us. Email: jnjl2021@gmail.com or cell numbers: Joni Leffel 419-305-5610, Jane Nuss 419-305-9629. It is easier for us if you email, call or text us instead of leaving a message for us at the church office. There will also be a signup list in the gathering room.

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### **LADIES TAKE NOTE**

Due to a lack of interest, the Women’s Retreat scheduled in June, has been canceled.

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**You are invited** to the Caregiving from the Heart Support Group held here at St. Paul’s. **The group meets on the first Monday of each month at 7p in the church Library.** This is a gathering for any caregivers (and others who are involved) whether you are doing it within your home, within your loved one’s home or if your loved one resides in a care facility. It will be led by Rev. Jeanette Tangeman (or Ruth Knous in Jeanette’s absence) and will be a gathering to support each other, learn from each other, and find helpful resources. Any questions, please call Jeanette at 419-234-7935, or Ruth Knous at 419-953-6274.

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# Easter Story

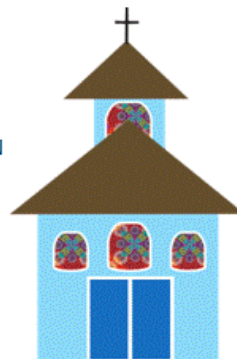
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**WELCOME!** Here at St. Paul's, we strive to create a faith community where ALL God's people are welcome to come and explore God's presence in the world. If you are visiting for the first time, we are Glad you are here. If you are a returning visitor, Welcome Back. Please complete the Welcome card located in the pew pocket in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Should you have a prayer request, please complete the Prayer card and place in the offering plate.

**ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE**

Don't forget that we now have online giving! It is available now by downloading Vanco Payment Solutions onto your mobile device by going to the app store or Google Play and search for "**Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**" The download is free. We also have a button on our website that will also take you to the Vanco site. This service is available for your convenience!

- PRAYER REQUESTS**
- Please keep the following people in your prayers: Pastor Rhonda's sister Patti Lang who is hospitalized in Amsterdam, Tony McDonald, Cheryl Kline, John Hall, Shirley Harold, and John Long. Also, pray for all of our military, medical, and emergency services.
  - Remember to pray for our shut-ins and for their caregivers that take care of them.
  - All prayer requests shall be given to the lead person of our Prayer Team, Carol Schmidt: [cschmidt@stpaulsuccsm.com](mailto:cschmidt@stpaulsuccsm.com), or you can call or text her at 419-305-6164.
- The **2023 Altar Flower Charts, and the Liturgist sign-up sheets** are located here in the sanctuary on the bulletin board by the sound system equipment.

**WE NEED LITURGISTS!** Sign up are by sheets by the sound board.

**Joint Township Memorial Hospital is in need of volunteers!** Grand Lake Health System is looking for volunteers. Various days and time available. Contact Denise Limbert at 419-394-3387, ext. 2808.



- Welcome to St. Paul's United Church of Christ!**
- ✚ **NURSERY AND PRE-SCHOOL TODDLER CARE** - For your convenience, we have a staffed nursery located in the educational building. Should it become necessary for you to leave the sanctuary during worship, you can view the morning service on the TV in the nursery. **PLEASE NOTE** - Only Newborn to Kindergarten age children are permitted in the Nursery during our morning worship service to allow safety for the newborns and toddlers. Children 1st Grade and older need to remain in the church. Thank you for your understanding.
  - ✚ **HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE** restroom is located on the sanctuary level near the elevette 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**, every Sunday at 10:30 am and also on Monday evenings at 7:00 pm. This is now shown LIVE on Sundays and shown a day later on Mondays.
  - ✚ **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](http://www.spuccsm.com) or on YouTube.
  - ✚ **EMERGENCY AED** - There is an emergency AED Unit located on the wall behind the soundboard in the Sanctuary.
  - ✚ **RECYCLE YOUR BULLETIN** - On the registers at the North and South entrances you will see a tray where you can place your bulletin to be recycled (if you do not wish to take it home). Thank you!

<b><u>THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S</u></b>		
Today	7:00 am	Sunrise Service with Rev. Rhonda Hainer – Easter Sunday
	7:45 am	Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
	9:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer – Easter Sunday
Wed.	9:00 am	Quilting
	6:00 pm	Consistory Mtg.
Thurs.	4:30-5:15 pm	Breaking Bread Community Meal
Next Sun.	9:15 am	Sunday School
	9:15 am	Adult Forum
	10:30 am	Worship with David C. Hainer

**Pastor Rhonda will be out of the office from Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> through Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Rev. Jeanette Tangeman will be available for pastoral care.**



# Mark 16:1-8

New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

## The Resurrection of Jesus

**16** When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.<sup>[a]</sup>

## THE INTERMEDIATE ENDING OF MARK

[[And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out

through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation. Amen.<sup>[b]]]</sup>

# Matthew 28:1-10

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## The Resurrection of Jesus

**28** After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup> For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup> He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he<sup>[a]</sup> lay. <sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead,<sup>[b]</sup> and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." <sup>8</sup> So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup> Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."