

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

February 6, 2022 **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany** **10:30a.m.**

Order of Service

Welcome to our Worship Service today. Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity. It is through encountering God within worship that we are formed and transformed as the people of God.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP
WELCOME
PRELUDE**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God comes with hands filled with grace; God offers justice like a neighbor with tomatoes from the garden.

People: For this reason, we come to worship our God.

Leader: Jesus comes to hold up those whose legs wobble; Jesus picks up all who stumble over their faith.

People: For this reason, we come to follow Jesus.

Leader: The Holy Spirit comes, as close as every breath we take; the Spirit makes clear God's hopes for us,

People: For this reason, we come to learn from the Spirit.

UNISON PRAYER

God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled; we are hungry, and long to be fed; we are lost, and long to be found. Gather us into your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives, just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish that remained after feeding the five thousand. Call us this morning to eat our fill and to find our true nourishment in Jesus, the bread of heaven. Amen.

***HYMN #56** “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements	Joys and Concerns of our Church Family	Birthdays
Introduction of Guests	Committee Presentation	

Reminder that Offering Plates are located at the front and back of the sanctuary, as well as in each balcony

BAPTISM OF MERRITT ROTH BURKE

Question to the Congregation

Leader: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to Merritt who is being baptized, and to his family, as they live and grow in this Christian community?

People: We promise our love, support, and care.

Act of Baptism

Responsive Prayer

Leader: God of wonder and grace, we thank you for your love revealed here this day, as this community, these parents, and this child, Merritt Roth, come together making covenant promises.

All: We pray that this community will have the grace to uphold the promises made here this day, providing a safe shelter of your love in which Merritt may grow and play. We pray that his parents may continue to feel the sweet wonder of your presence so transparent here today. We pray that Merritt will bask in your love as he makes his own journeys through this life. Amen.

Presentation of Baptism Box -

SPECIAL MUSIC

Rachael Thornsberry

WE OPEN UP TO GOD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(using debts and debtors)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD *DOXOLOGY PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD SPEAKS TO US

THE GOSPEL LESSON SERMON

John 6:16-21
"Walking on Water"

Rev. Rhonda Hainer

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH AND COMMITMENT

HYMN #448
BENEDICTION

“In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS AND SERVE

POSTLUDE

- *Denotes those who are able are invited to stand in body and in spiritDepart to serve
- *Altar Communion following worship today

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

LiturgistAmy Keller
AcolytesConfirmands
Children's offering.....Nolan and Ethen Frankenhauser
Missionaries.....Members of our Congregation

*Our Giving to God January 30, 2022 = Current - \$4674.38 / Mission - \$239.00 ** Attendance – 96*

*The loose offering today is designated for the organ refurbishing fund.
NEXT Sunday, the loose offering is designated for Back Bay Mission*

Today we welcome into our church family, Merritt Roth Burke. Merritt is the son of Brittany and Tom Burke and the younger brother to Tripp Burke. Merritt is the grandson of Robert and Joyce Roth and great-grandson of Bernard and Marilyn Schroer.

The rose on the altar today is in celebration of the baptism

**God heals the brokenhearted and
bandages their wounds. Psalm 147:3**



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

February 6, 2022

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



SATURDAY ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERIES: If you order altar flowers, be sure to let your florist know that the **Elevator entrance** is the **only door** that will be open on Saturdays, and that **deliveries must be made between 8a and noon**. Thank you.

ATTENTION 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 sign up list in the gathering room.



Saturday, March 5th 8am - 1pm at St. Paul’s UCC in St. Marys

8am-9am Early Admission: \$5 (for non-sellers)

After 9am Admission: \$1 (for non-sellers)

Lots of kids clothing, maternity clothes, toys, and accessories.

All proceeds from admission and booth rental go to the

St. Paul’s Youth Fund

For booth rental information contact

Tracy Winget 419-733-2030 or tracy.winget@outlook.com

NOTE: More tables are needed. If you have one that we can borrow, please let Tracy Winget know. Thank you.

Kitchen Cleaning! There is a list of cleaning duties on the freezer in the kitchen! If you can help, there are some supplies in the kitchen, or you can bring your own. Pick your own time and ask someone to help you! Check off on the list what you have cleaned. Thanks for your help!

AGAPE HAS ASKED US TO SWITCH OVER TO BUYING THESE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS:

Cleaning supplies, toilet cleaner, spray cleaner, shampoo, body wash, small salt and pepper that come together in cardboard container, cooking oil, and brown sugar

Thank you supporting our Agape Mission
Jane Nuss



Winter



P M U F Y D R H Q L T E K C A J E
Y T S C A R F E V N G W S I B K R
I C J Z D O Y G T B M H S W A P L
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G I P H A N B S M I L Q A S V G Y
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FREEZING	JACKET	SKIING
FROST	MITTEN	SLUSH
FROZEN	PENGUIN	SNOWBOARD
GLOVES	SCARF	SNOWFLAKE
HOLIDAY	SEASON	SNOWSUIT
ICEBERG	SHIVER	SOLSTICE
IGLOO	SHOVEL	SWEATER



Tree Valley Academy

WELCOME! 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 back side 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 "GivePlus Church". 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: Norma Lhamon, Bill Nuss, Vern Luedeke, Janet Keller, Verneda Fark, Cheryl Kline, Michael J. Selby, and Harold McCune, 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 or you can call or text her at 419-305-6164.
- The **2022 Altar Flower Chart** and the Liturgist sign-up sheets are located here in the sanctuary on the bulletin board by the sound system equipment.
 - **We need Liturgists!** Please take a moment to sign up. Thank you.

ANNUAL MEETING IN FEBRUARY

The annual meeting of the congregation is scheduled for **Sunday, February 13th**. There will first be a luncheon following worship. That will be followed by the meeting in which the efforts of 2021 will be reviewed, annual reports received, and the election of President and Vice President of the congregation will be conducted.

- 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** rest room 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. There is a one-week delay of the service shown.
 - ✚ **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.
 - ✚ **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!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S		
Today	9:15 am	Sunday School/Confirmation
	9:15 am	Adult Forum
	9:15 am	Choir Practice
	10:30 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer
Wed.	9:00 am	Quilting
	6.00 pm	Consistory
Next Sun.	9:15 am	Sunday School/Confirmation
	9:15 am	Adult Forum
	9:15 am	Choir Practice
	10:30 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer

**THERE IS COFFEE AND TEA AVAILABLE
IN THE ELEVETTE ROOM**



John 6:16-21

New Revised Standard Version

Jesus Walks on the Water

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles,^[a] they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰ But he said to them, "It is I;^[b] do not be afraid." ²¹ Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.