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

January 23, 2022 Third 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.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP
WELCOME
PRELUDE

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come this day, Precious God, as people in need of your steadfast love:

People: With you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.

Leader: We gather this day, Water-changing God, as people looking for signs:

People: With you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.

Leader: We worship this day, Gifting God, as people who confess Jesus as our Lord:

People: With you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: God you have given each of us many gifts,

People: but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share,

so we hide it under a bushel.

Leader: God you remind us that all gifts are needed,

People: but sometimes we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more

special than others.

Leader: God you call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body,

People: but sometimes we decide that membership in the body is limited by our

understandings.

Leader: God, for the times we have ignored or mislabeled Your gifts, for those times we

have cut another off from the body,

People: We offer words of repentance, we ask for forgiveness and grace.

...time of silent prayer...

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE/FORGIVENESS

Leader: God is the giver of MANY gifts. God is the Creator of the ONE body.

God is slow to anger and quick to forgive. God helps us to share and honor the gifts of all, God helps us to heal the wounds and reunite the body. We are forgiven,

loved, and accepted.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen

\*HYMN #66 "To God Be the Glory"

### CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family

Introduction of Guests Consistory Presentation

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

in each balcony

SPECIAL MUSIC "Be Thou My Vision" Howie and Lucy Spencer

### 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

**HYMN #496** "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

THE PSALM LESSON Psalm 36:5-10

THE GOSPEL LESSON John 2:1-11

SERMON "It's A Sign" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

**HYMN #108** "There's Something About That Name"

**BENEDICTION** 

### **POSTLUDE**

<sup>\*</sup>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

Jim Huckemeyer, Director of Music

Ann Vogel, Organist

Nick Frankenhauser, Youth Director

Carolyn Garrison, Administrative Assistant

Rich Spencer, Audio and Video
Tracy Winget, Sunday Nursery Supervisor

Becky Anderson, Church Pianist

Joan Leffel and Jane Nuss, Children's Ministry Coordinators

Cynthia Hanover, Choir/Church Pianist

Andrea Spencer, Organist

Madeline Frankenhauser, Children's Music Director

Vacant. Custodian

Amy Keller, Confirmation Teacher
Jeanette Tangeman, Back Bay Missionary

Liturgist .......Susan Braun
Acolytes .......Confirmands
Children's offering .....Sunday school children
Missionaries ......Members of our Congregation

Our Giving to God January 16, 2022 Current - \$1981.00 and Mission - \$135.00 Attendance - 84

**OFFERING PLATES** are located at the front and back of the sanctuary, as well as in each balcony.

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want, He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters. He restores my soul. Psalm 23:1-3



# ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

201 N. Perry St., St. Marys, Ohio January 23, 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.



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

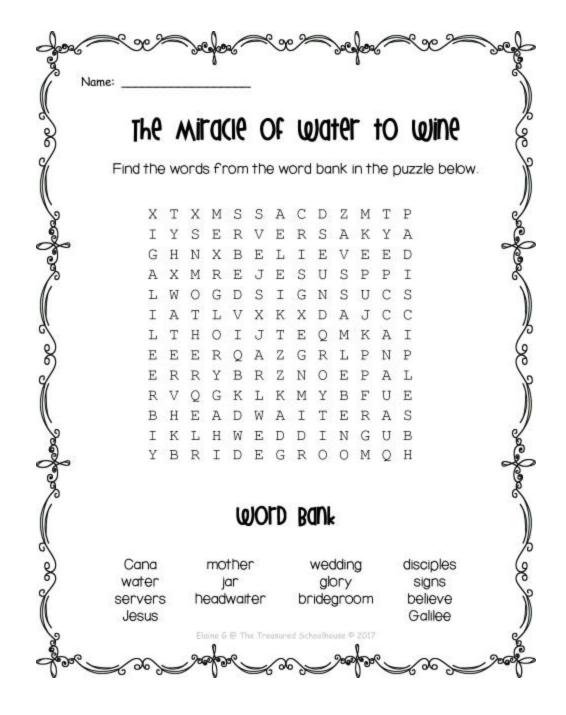
NOTE: More tables are needed. If you have one that we can borrow, please let Tracy Winget know. Thank you.

**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



**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: Leslie Hullinger, 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.

**COOKIES FOR CROSSROADS** – The Women's Guild mission and outreach project for the month of February is to aid Crossroad of Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Crossroad is a home for troubled teens in the surrounding area. Gathering cookies for Crossroad has been a tradition of our church for many years. We would like to continue this worthy mission with your help. Bake your favorite cookies and bring them to the **ELEVETTE ROOM** by Sunday morning, **February 6**<sup>th</sup>. They can be decorated, plain, or bar cookies. The cookies will be delivered to Crossroad during the following week. Please pack them in a gallon or quart zip lock bag to keep them fresh. Any questions, please call Kris Vanderhorst at (419) 733-2112.

**ALSO,** WE ARE ALSO COLLECTING **SOCKS** AND **UNDERWEAR** FOR RESIDENTS OF **CROSSROAD**. AGES OF THE YOUTH ARE 6-18. BIKINI OR BOY SHORT FOR THE GIRLS AND BOXER/BRIEF FOR BOYS. ANY TYPE OF SOCKS. A BASKET WILL BE IN THE SANCTUARY UNTIL FEBRUARY 6.

### 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                         |
| Thurs.    | 4:30-5:15pm | Breaking Bread – Drive thru Only |
| 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



The Women's Guild is again adopting a Valentine's service project for St. Paul's homebound, college, and military members

On Sundays, January 30<sup>th</sup>, & February 6<sup>th</sup>, a table with baskets and bags will be set up. We will be sending only cards to our senior members. For our college members, please help us fill their packages with cards, notes, candy, and goodies!

We plan to deliver or send these packages the week of February 6. If you can help with sending/delivering these packages, we would appreciate it. If you have any questions, contact Jane Nuss, Kris Vanderhorst, or any member of the Women's Guild Cabinet.



# Psalm 36:5-10

### **New Revised Standard Version**

- <sup>5</sup> Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.
- <sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.
- <sup>7</sup> How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

  All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
- <sup>8</sup> They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- <sup>9</sup> For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.
- O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

# John 2:1-11

**New Revised Standard Version** 

## The Wedding at Cana

2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone

serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.