



ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

July 11, 2021

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



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"We Shine For All Through Christ"
St. Marys, Ohio

July 11, 2021 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m.

Order of Service

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP
WELCOME
PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it! From the east to the west, from the north to the south, God's Spirit moves across the face of the earth.

People: From the east to the west, from the north to the south, we gather together, united by God's Spirit, to celebrate God's glory and proclaim His praise!

Leader: Let's worship God together!

***HYMN 326** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

UNISON OPENING PRAYER

O God our Creator, we thank you that today you have called us to worship you and learn of you. You alone know our needs. Satisfy them with your unchanging love. In your presence may we find comfort in sorrow, guidance in perplexity, strength to meet temptation, grace to overcome the fascination of disobedience, and courage to face up to the hostility of this rebellious world. Above all, may we meet Jesus and go out from our worship indwelt by his spirit. This prayer we ask to your glory and in his name. Amen.

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family
Introduction of Guests Anniversaries Passing of the Peace

***HYMN 654** "Holy Ground"

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

SPECIAL MUSIC "Precious Lord Take My Hand" Leslie Hullinger

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 20
THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 8:26-40

SERMON "You Belong Here" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

***HYMN 465** "Lord, Be Glorified"

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

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

****Altar communion following worship**

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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	Kim Opperman, Church School Superintendent
Carolyn Garrison, Administrative Assistant	Bob Schumacher, Custodian
Rich Spencer, Audio and Video	Amy Keller, Confirmation Teacher
Kim Opperman, Sunday Nursery Supervisor	Jeanette Tangeman, Back Bay Missionary
Madeline Frankenhauser, Children's Music Director	Becky Anderson, Church Pianist

LiturgistGlenn Hadley
AcolytesDeacons
Missionaries.....Members of our Congregation

Our Giving to God July 4, 2021
Current - \$3852.00 and Mission - \$200.00
Attendance – 87

The flowers on the altar today are from Ron and Margaret Hunter.
"May the love of the Lord touch everything you do, and remind you that you are forever blessed."

The loose offering today is designated to St. Marys Summerfest as voted on by Consistory

***WELCOME!** If you are visiting for the first time, we are Glad you are here. If you are a returning visitor Welcome Back. Please let our sanctuary doorway greeters know you are visiting and receive a special gift of welcome.*

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!



- Please keep the following people in your prayers: Chuck Greenawalt, Verneda Fark, Cheryl Kline, John Long, and Harold McCune. Also, pray for all of our military 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 **2021** Altar Flower Chart and the Liturgist sign-up sheets are located here in the sanctuary on the bulletin board by the sound system equipment. **Liturgists are always needed!** Please take a moment to sign up. Thank you.

Interested in becoming a member? Contact Pastor Rhonda to set up a time to learn the process for formally joining St. Paul's UCC. You'll learn more about who we are, our beliefs, and our mission. You'll also get to hear the story of our church and discuss what it means to be a member of this congregation through serving, growing in your faith journey, moving toward generosity, and more. You'll have the opportunity to join the church at the end of the class if you choose. If you have any questions, contact rhainer@bright.net or 563-210-3508.

ATTENTION CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS, there will be a meeting on Wednesday at 4:30 pm in the Lounge. Please plan on attending. Thank you!

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

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer
Mon.	10:00 am	Women's Guild Cabinet Meeting - Lounge
Tues.	6:00 pm	Media Committee - Lounge
	7:00 pm	Memorial Committee - Lounge
Wed.	9:00 am	Quilting
	4:30 pm	Christian Ed Committee Meeting - Lounge
	6:00 pm	Consistory
Thurs.	1:00pm	Grief HEAL Group - Lounge
	4:30pm-5:15pm	Breaking Bread – Drive Thru Only
Next Sun.	10:00 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer

Wanted -- NEEDED

Person(s) to fill in when Rich and/or Jim are gone on vacation

Video and sound are an important part of our weekly service.
Please prayerfully consider helping with multi media.
Contact Rich or Jim if interested.

Good news! Joan Leffel and Jane Nuss have jointly accepted the Director of Children’s Ministry position. Together they will team with Director of Children’s Music, Maddie Frankenhauser; Youth Director, Nick Frankenhauser; Confirmation Teacher, Amy Keller; Middle School Teacher, Sarah Walter; Sunday School Superintendent, Kim Opperman and the Christian Education Committee to grow this important ministry. Please offer them your support and prayers in this exciting undertaking.

Get Ready for Rally in the Alley! Saturday, August 21st, 6-9pm
Free Food and Family Fun! We will have games, bingo, music and more. We are looking for people to share their musical talents. A song or two would be great. Contact Sarah Walter or Lori Now.

Rally Day Sunday, August 22 will be full of festivities as well. Look for more info to come. If you're interested in joining in the fun, there's a planning meeting Wednesday, July 14, 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.

Helping Each other Adjust to Loss

We can all agree this has been a difficult year, full of challenges and many losses. It has been especially painful for those who are grieving the death of a loved one. Many are longing to be heard, to have their pain acknowledged. They have a need to tell their stories, to be assured that someone is listening and cares, without advice or criticism. HEAL is the St. Paul’s grief support group led by Pastor Rhonda Hainer, who is trained to assist persons in times of loss, struggle, or crisis. **HEAL** or **Helping Each other Adjust to Loss** meets once a month, in the church lounge on July 15th at 1:00 p.m. and is open for anyone who is seeking comfort, clarity, hope for a path forward.

Summerfest parade float

Do you like to walk in parades? The church’s Summerfest parade float on Saturday, August 14 needs walkers to help pass out candy. Youth must have an adult with them. We are looking for 15-20 walkers. If you are interested, please contact Jane Nuss.

We have a need! The church’s Summerfest parade float is needing some natural or ivory color burlap for the float. Do you have any burlap or clean over-sized drop cloths that we can borrow? We will return the burlap when we are done. Please contact Jane Nuss if you have any we can borrow. Thank you!

TAKE NOTE:

Don’t forget, we have The Upper Room and These Days devotionals located in the Lounge, the Perry Street Entrance and in the Elevette Room.

The Book of Acts

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| Agrippa | James | Saul |
| Ananias | Jerusalem | Silas |
| Antioch | Lydia | Stephen |
| Athens | Melita | struck dead |
| baptism | Mount of Olives | |
| Barnabas | Paul | |
| Beautiful | Pentecost | |
| Cornelius | Peter | |
| Damascus | Philip | |
| Ethiopia | Priscilla | |
| Felix | Rome | |
| jailor | Sapphira | |

Psalm 20^[a]

¹ May the LORD answer you when you are in distress;
may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.

² May he send you help from the sanctuary
and grant you support from Zion.

³ May he remember all your sacrifices
and accept your burnt offerings.^[b]

⁴ May he give you the desire of your heart
and make all your plans succeed.

⁵ May we shout for joy over your victory
and lift up our banners in the name of our God.

May the LORD grant all your requests.

⁶ Now this I know:

The LORD gives victory to his anointed.
He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary
with the victorious power of his right hand.

⁷ Some trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

⁸ They are brought to their knees and fall,
but we rise up and stand firm.

⁹ LORD, give victory to the king!
Answer us when we call!