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

May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter 10:30 a.m.

Confirmation Sunday * Order of Service

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES
CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP
WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As members of God's family

People: we gather to pray, and sing, and celebrate God's presence

Leader: As people of faith,

People: we come to be re-energized to live out our faith

Leader: As our worship begins, we greet each other with Christ's peace

(People offer God's peace to those nearby.)

(Those of you who are new among us today, please fill in the Welcome card that you will find in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate - Thank you!)

*PRAYER FOR AND ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: God, you call us to be the church

People: and sometimes we wonder what that means.

Leader: You call us to seek justice, resist evil, love, and serve others,

People: and we try. Really we do. But sometimes... Leader: we fall short, sometimes we get it wrong.

People: For those times we don't quite get it right, forgive us

...time of silent confession...

Leader: The God who calls us to love and serve, the God who calls us to seek justice, knows

us intimately. God sees our wins and our losses. Through Grace God forgives us when we get things wrong and gives us another chance to try again. We are

forgiven and challenged to keep trying.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN #680 "Borning Cry"

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family

Introduction of Guests Birthdays

BAPTISM OF OLLIE CHISHOLM AND ZOEY BRIGGS

Pastor: Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament, promise your love, support, and care to Zoey and Ollie about to be baptized, as

they live and grow in this Christian community?

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

SPECIAL MUSIC VIDEO "You Are Mine" David Haas

OFFERTORY, *DOXOLOGY, AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 6:1-8

SERMON "Send Us" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION AND HOLY COMMUNION (insert)

*HYMN #559 "Here I am Lord"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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



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Joan Leffel and Jane Nuss, Children's Ministry Coordinators

Cynthia Hanover, Choir/Church Pianist

Andrea Spencer, Organist

Madeline Frankenhauser, Children's Music Director

Brad and Nam Gehrlich, Custodian Amy Keller, Confirmation Teacher Jeanette Tangeman, Back Bay Missionary

Children's offering......Sunday School Children
Missionaries.....Members of our Congregation

Our Giving to God for April 24 = Current - \$1,888.75 /Mission - \$60.00 Attendance - 141

NEXT SUNDAY, the loose offering is designated to the Hirschfeld Foundation

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13

A CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

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Pastor: I invite all those who come to be confirmed today to join me in prayer:

Pastor and Candidates: O God, my God, known to me in Jesus Christ, I give myself to you

as your own, to love and serve you faithfully all the days of my life.

Amen.

ACT OF CONFIRMATION (Parents are invited to join in laying on of hands)

(Family members and friends of the confirmand stand)

WELCOME

Pastor: As members of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, let us express our welcome and

affirm our mutual ministry in Christ:

All: We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in the knowledge and love of God and through our service of others be witnesses to the caring and love of our Risen Savior.

GREETING OF CHRISTIAN LOVE

Chad Laman, Vice President of the Congregation

A CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to God.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is Jesus, God incarnate, the Risen Christ, who joins us together as a community of

broken but hopeful believers: loving what he loved,

living what he taught, and striving to be his faithful servants in our time and place.

People: In this meal we remember Jesus, his promises, and the price he paid for who he

was, what he said, and what he did.

Leader: On the night before Jesus died, he took a loaf of bread, gave thanks, broke it, and

said, "Take and eat, whenever you do this, remember me."

Leader: After supper, Jesus took the cup, and poured, saying, "This is the new covenant, remember me."

People: We do remember. We remember his life of love, his friendship, his teaching, his dying, and his rising to life again.

Pastor: Holy Mystery, God the Spirit, we call on you to transform these familiar things, as you continually transform the world around us.

All: Bless this bread and this cup, the wheat and the grape, the farmer and the harvest, the seed and the sower. So that in the sharing of these simple elements in community, we may taste and see your goodness. Through Christ, in Christ, and with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

Sharing the Meal

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Let us join together in prayer:

All: Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life. We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life. We are sent forth into this world to live your way and share your joy. We are now commissioned to: feed as we have been fed, forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved. Thanks be to God. Amen.

2022 Confirmation Class

Riley Mae Anderson Philippians 4:13	Daughter of Paul Anderson and Britney Knous
Zoey Louise Briggs Matthew 5:6	Daughter of Michael Briggs and Heather Arnold
Ollie Keith Chisholm Luke 11:9	Son of Justin and Audrey Chisholm
Audra Christine Clark Psalm 56:3	Daughter of Jason and Andrea Clark
Reece Aidan Lona	Son of Victor and Kaylee Lona

Reece Aldan Long Son of Victor and Kaylee Long
Psalm 119:105

Madilyn Elizabeth Mauter Daughter of Erik and Nancy Mauter

Hunter Steven Winget Son of Greg and Tracy Winget

John 8:12

Psalm 27:1

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: Vern Luedeke, Joan Smith, and Gloria Morrison (sister of Joan Smith and Sharon Sullivan). 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 (on the bulletin board by the sound board) or call the church office to sign up. Thank you.

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 for supporting our Agape Mission	
Jane Nuss	

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 <u>TSC cable Digital channel 1</u> or <u>non-digital channel 2</u>, 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	Choir Practice		
	10:30 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer/Confirmation		
Wed.	9:00 am	Quilting		
	6:00 pm	Christian Ed. Meeting		
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/Mother's Day		

THERE IS COFFEE AND TEA AVAILABLE IN THE ELEVETTE ROOM



Isaiah 6:1-8 New Revised Standard Version A Vision of God in the Temple

6 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

⁴ The pivots^[a] on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph^[b] touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸ Then I heard the

voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"