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

October 23, 2022

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.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 CANDLE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME (If you are new among us today, please fill in the Welcome card located

in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate.)

PRELUDE "Song of Hope" Thomas Chesterton

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We did not first seek God.

People: God first came looking for us.

Leader: We do not find God. **People:** It is God who finds us.

Leader: Come, let us free ourselves of expectation and responsibility.

People: Let us find God here in our worship today.

Leader: Come, let us worship.

*HYMN #35 "Morning Has Broken"

*OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, we come into your presence with singing we come, each one and all, with unique strengths and weaknesses; together, your children. Thank you for the creation, in your love, of a space where we are accepted as we are, where we can breathe, be honest, learn, and grow. Thank you for meeting with us here. Thank you for brothers and sisters in the faith. You teach and empower us to live together, to serve the gospel and change the world in life that does not die, and love that does not end. Loving God, thank you. Amen.

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY

Announcements Joys and Concerns of our Church Family Introduction of Guests

ON THE STEPS WITH THE CHILDREN

*PASSING OF THE PEACE Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(People offer God's peace to those nearby with whatever you are comfortable with)

HYMN #56 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

WE OPEN UP TO GOD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

William Bradbury

GOD SPEAKS TO US

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Leviticus 19:13-18 **THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Matthew 7:7-12

SERMON "We Are All In This Together" Rev. Rhonda Hainer

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH AND COMMITMENT

*HYMN #344 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

*BENEDICTION

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS AND SERVE

POSTLUDE "Joyful Rondo" John S. Dixon

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

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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

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

> Our Giving to God, October 16, 2022 Current - \$1453.00 / Mission - \$224.00 Attendance -83

Today and next Sunday, October 30th, the loose offerings will be designated to the 100th Anniversary of Back Bay Mission

JUST A REMINDER

If you would like to remember a loved one by pinning a bell on the memorial banner, bells are provided in a basket by the banner, or you may bring one of your own.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. — Hebrews 11:1



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201 N. Perry St., St. Marys, Ohio October 23, 2022

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



S.A.R.A. Ukrainian Emergency Fund

The Heartland Conference <u>S.A.R.A.</u> partnership will serve as a conduit for aid to partners in Ukraine who are suffering as a result of the war. Please know that your gifts of any size make a difference in this critical time. Those wishing to make a donation can send it to the following address:

Heartland Conference UCC/S.A.R.A. Ukrainian Emergency Fund PO Box 1230
Worthington, OH 43085



AGAPE has asked St. Paul's to start collecting toilet paper again! Drop off your donations in the Elevette Room! Thank you everyone for your support!

~Jane Nuss

Matthew 7

U Z O N K W A H G X Q A G L Y S R E H T O ULWOCQSMHTDVWHXFITDYZXNP I E A N E K A N S R A H S A R C N L H J J B T P E E R T D A B Z D Y A T E B I M U U C U X R C S K L K A E H V U P Y N H T O B D E W A U A X G D R E A P I M N V T C G G O C M Q X N L R T Y X I P R G C L X V P T J E O Z B B X T P Y T T Y F L O T B K H A O G P M C Q I Q N S N K V S S O O Y K D V W A I N K O Z S V E A N S E G S A X J O N E B P N K K N C N R M E D J Y H Y Q O F E H R F G X R O F E N B U R A F W H W V O W G Z X X B R Z B T B P L I K M O K K E E S E F Z I X F A L S E S A T U S S K H W Q W A I J U C N A I Y Z Q N J B U V S H V U X D Q C X P Z T G Q C P R N D H C C T G U T X U W J D S H X F O O E Y J E K A A P L H M H E F X Z P Q L A B C P I P L C V W H M S A O C Y R B I P Y J R I E K U P W G P W I S E E A R P P O H R G N N E C F O H V L W E C U U B D N T I C D E C P O S V H U T I U R F P Y Y X Y U R H O E X I G T X V Z T K D U P E M E A S U R E I L U B C P T Y R Y X F O O L I S H H O E D T V R A X A N O I T A D N U O F X O H P M A J D E C W J H

| AUTHORITY | AWAY | BAD TREE | CRASH | DESTRUCTION |
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| DOOR | FALSE | FIRE | FOOLISH | FOUNDATION |
| FRUIT | GIFTS | GOOD TREE | HYPOCRITE | JUDGE |
| KINGDOM | MEASURE | NAME | NARROW | OTHERS |
| PEARLS | PLANK | RECOGNIZE | SEEK | SNAKE |
| SPECK | STONE | TEACHING | WISE | |

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 "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: Cheryl Kline, John Hall, Diana
 Prichard, Shirley Harold, John Long, Danny Kellermeyer, and Vern Luedeke. 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 soundboard) or call the church office to sign up. Thank you.

BREAKING BREAD COMMUNITY DINNER NEWS: If you would like to make a financial contribution to help with costs for the weekly community dinner, these will be gratefully accepted. Donations can be placed in the Sunday offering plate or mailed to the church office. Please be sure to indicate your name on the envelope if you would like to receive credit on your giving statement.

HURRICANE IAN RELIEF: If you would like to make a donation to the Hurricane Ian Relief fund, you can send your donation to the UCC Corporate office at:

United Church of Christ – Hurricane Ian Relief Fund 1300 E. 9th Street, Suite 1100 Cleveland, Ohio 44114

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 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!

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

| Today | 9:15 am | Sunday School | | |
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| | 9:15 am | End of Life Series in Heritage Hall | | |
| | 10:30 am | Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer | | |
| | 4-7:00 pm | Fall Family Festival & Chili Cook-off in Fellowship Hall | | |
| Wed. | 9:00 am | Quilting | | |
| 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 Rev. Jeanette Tangeman | | |

Quiet Bags have new fun pages in them for all ages. Hidden pictures, stories to read, some coloring pages. Check them out!

Take Note: Pastor Rhonda will be on vacation beginning Oct. 27th and return October 31st. Rev. Jeanette Tangeman will be available for pastoral emergencies.