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 Acolytes .....Confirmands  
 Children's offering.....Ethan and Nolan Frankenhauser  
 Missionaries.....Members of our Congregation

*Our Giving to God September 5, 2021*  
*Current - \$3612.00 and Mission - \$723.00*  
*Attendance -91*

*Altar flowers today are in celebration of Wilma Heil's 95th birthday. From her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.*

The Loose Offering today will go toward the Personal Care and Clean-up  
 Bucket kits

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is this Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Please have you articles to Carolyn by 9a.**



**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

201 N. Perry St., St. Marys, Ohio  
 September 12, 2021

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



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

**September 12, 2021      Sixteenth 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.*

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**      "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"      Spiritual

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Praise for tree, star, and ocean.  
**People: God's creation.**  
Leader: Praise for child, teen, adult, and elder.  
**People: God's creation.**  
Leader: Praise for sun, snow, and rain.  
**People: God's creation.**  
Leader: Praise for creatures finned, winged, and hoofed.  
**People: God's creation.**  
Leader: Praise for cell, molecule, and atom.  
**People: Praise for all of God's creation.**

**\*HYMN #48**      "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

**UNISON OPENING PRAYER**

**Awesome and majestic God, your creative power, your glory and holiness were experienced by your people of old as clouds and fire guiding them to freedom. They believed that no one could see your face and live. How blessed therefore are we, for you have revealed your face to us in Jesus—the human face of your love. You also equip us for our journey through life and beyond, by breathing new and everlasting life into our very beings, through the gift of the Holy Spirit. We praise and adore you, O God, by choosing to share your life with us in and through Jesus. May this time of worship and the service of our lives reveal our thanksgiving and our wonder that you should so care for us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**CELEBRATING COMMUNITY**

Announcements      Joys and Concerns of our Church Family  
Introduction of Guests      Anniversaries

**ON THE STEPS WITH THE CHILDREN**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE**

\*Leader and children: The Peace of Christ be with you.  
**People: And also, with you.**

**\*HYMN 476**      "I Need Thee Every Hour"

**PRAYER LITANY 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**

"Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee"      John Dykes

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Exodus 33:12-23

**SERMON**      "A Sacred Place"      Rev. Rhonda Hainer

**\*HYMN 384**      "Rock Of Ages"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**      "Gigue"      J.F. Handel

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

**\*\*Altar communion following worship**

***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!*



- Please keep the following people in your prayers: Janet Keller, John Hall, 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](mailto: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.
- **We need Liturgists!** Please take a moment to sign up. Thank you.

**TAKE NOTE:** When returning Quiet Bags, please place them in the basket on the floor and NOT on the “trees”. 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](http://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
Mon.	6:00 pm	CE&N Meeting – Fellowship Hall
Wed.	9:00 am	Quilting
Thurs.	1:00 pm	Grief-Heal Group – Heritage Hall
	4:30-6:00 pm	Breaking Bread – Drive Thru Only
Next Sun.	9:15 am	Sunday School/Confirmation
	9:15 am	Choir practice
	10:30 am	Worship with Rev. Rhonda Hainer

**AGAPE MISSION:** Our *goal again this year is 2000*. Let's get rolling early this year and put the rolls in the Elevette Room. Currently, our totals are 1494 rolls of toilet paper and 803 bars of soap. If you would like for me to purchase rolls for you, I can do this. Just give your donation to me or the office. I will be glad to help out. So, let's just keep the paper rolling. Thank you for your past and present support of Agape projects. Jane Nuss.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Scrubbing bubbles? Isn't there a song about scrubbing bubbles? No, not the one about scrubbing bubbles we work hard so you don't have to, but something about bubbles and soap? Soap and water just go hand in hand. There are some people in our town that struggle to have soap. Hard to imagine, I am sure. But we can help! The Sunday School Department is CHALLENGING the church members **from August 29<sup>th</sup> to September 26<sup>th</sup>** to see who can bring in the most bar soap for Agape. We will give bar soap tallies to let you know who is ahead and who needs to kick it in gear. No matter who wins, we all will have completed a great mission project that included all ages of the church.

***\*\*There is a box at the rear (near Rich) of the sanctuary to collect the soap\*\****

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**FALL HARVEST MEAL**

**WANTED** homemade bake goods for the October 6th Bake Sale which will be held in Heritage Hall from 1:00 to 6:00p. The Fall Cafeteria will be held on October 6th. The time of serving will be from 4:30 to 6:00p. We will be serving scalloped chicken, swiss steak, mashed potatoes, noodles, green beans, and desserts. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Children will be able to get a hot dog, mashed potatoes, noodles, green beans, and desserts. You can eat in or carry out your meals. So, come enjoy fellowship. Proceeds from this annual all-church event (and the Bake Sale) support Women's Guild activities throughout the year. We hope you will support this meal as you have done in the past. ***Tickets are on sale now in the church office.***

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**The Next Meeting for Helping Each other Adjust to Loss**  
**September 16 at 1:00 p.m. in the lounge.**

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, and is open for anyone who is in the midst of transition from the death of a loved one, or declining health, as well as those seeking comfort, clarity, hope for a path forward. If you or someone you know could benefit from this confidential gathering, please know that all are welcome. Contact Pastor Rhonda with questions.

**Spiritual Growth**

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Celebrate	Rejoice	Favor	Cleansed
Sacrifice	Family	United	Courageous
Strong	Inspirational	Forgiveness	Love
Patience	Understanding	Compassion	Truth
Friends	loving kindness		

Exodus 33:12-23

New Revised Standard Version

### **Moses' Intercession**

<sup>12</sup> Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' <sup>13</sup> Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." <sup>14</sup> He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." <sup>15</sup> And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. <sup>16</sup> For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

<sup>17</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." <sup>18</sup> Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." <sup>19</sup> And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD';<sup>[a]</sup> and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup> But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." <sup>21</sup> And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; <sup>22</sup> and while my glory passes by I will

put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; <sup>23</sup> then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."