



**ST. PAUL'S
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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Sunday School: 9:30 A.M. Worship: 11:00 A.M.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

Rev. Anne Findlay-Chamberlain, Pastor

Come, Grow, Serve

*Indicates that the congregation stands

PRELUDE

“Christians, While on Earth Abiding”

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(During the prelude, let us be in silence preparing our hearts for worship.)

SILENT PRAYER FOR MEDITATION

God of all people, show us how to let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Create justice and righteousness in us, that we may all rejoice in your blessings. Amen.

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: May our worship be pleasing to you, O God, in this hour and throughout the week to come.

Many: May all who are thirsty and all who are weak, taste the living water that Jesus gives.

One: Stir our hearts to offer you true worship:

All: Justice flowing down like streams of water and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream

* **OPENING MUSIC** page #598 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Despite our best efforts, O God, we have not always lived as we should. Our own short-sightedness and impatience have led us to make choices based upon our immediate needs over your desires. Forgive us for our selfish ways.

Many of the challenges we have faced have evoked fear in us. We have let these fears at times overwhelm our faith and trust in you. Forgive us for our lack of faith in you. We don't always recognize or acknowledge that our reticence to embrace the stranger comes from our own prejudices, O God. When we do not embrace the stranger, we lose the blessings and richness of your beloved community. Forgive us for our biases.

We see injustices all around: in the papers, on television, on the web, or walking through our community.

Yet we often cannot bring ourselves to speak out or take action against them. Forgive us for our silence.

We know you created this world with enough for everyone. Yet, in this land of plenty, people know deprivation. Forgive us that we have not done enough to sustain and support the sacredness of the common good.

Please spend a moment in silent prayer for God's forgiveness of our sins.

*** WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

* GLORIA PATRI #734

TIME FOR CHILDREN "Love our neighbors as we love ourselves" (Dedication of the Food bags)
ANTHEM "Justice" by Rollo Dilworth
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gg3MMr6PEYY>

SCRIPTURE Amos 5:14-15, 21-24 Caroline Eye

SERMON "A Fix for Fear"

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION "The Old Rugged Cross" Bennard

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed inside Hymnal Cover

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" and "debtors")

***DOXOLOGY** #34

***OFFERING DEDICATION**

***CLOSING MUSIC** page #614 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

***BLESSING AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** "Immortal, Invisible" Wilson

Organist: Emily Koon

Music Director: Mary Catlett

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAYS/PRAYER LIST

WELCOME Today, as you examine your life in the light of God' Word, be encouraged to stand strong in your faith and follow the path of Christ each day.

MISSION STATEMENT OF ST. PAUL'S UCC - To be a welcoming church that lives by faith, is known by love, and is a voice of hope to the world.

VISION STATEMENT OF ST. PAUL'S UCC – Helping people discover and live out God's purpose for their lives, and sharing Christ's love through inspiring music, engaging youth programming and meaningful outreach.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are in honor of and giving thanks to the front line medical workers who courageously provided care during the COVID pandemic.
~ given by Joe and Kaye Lehen

LOOKING FOR NURSERY HELPERS - St. Paul's will be reopening its nursery for children 5 and younger in the near future for each Sunday that there is not Junior Church. To do this means we need two (2) helpers - one needs to be 18 or over, and the other can be in middle or high school. If interested, please contact Rod Chamberlain at drodchamberlain@gmail.com, call or text 808-348-0013.

REMINDERS:

November 14 – Food bags due for dedication
16 – 6:00 p.m. Worship and Music Meeting
17 – 3:00 p.m. Sacred Seasons in the Parlor
20 – 8:15 a.m. Men's Coffee and Donuts at Brewhouse
21 – Swag orders due (form in the newsletter)
21 – Junior church
22 – Dec/Jan Newsletter articles due
29 – Poinsettia orders due (form in the newsletter)

December 1 – 12:00 noon Community Advent Service – Rev. Kathy from the Woodstock Episcopal Church
12 – Congregational Meeting - Approve 2022 Budget

BIRTHDAYS for this week:

November 14 – Andrew Miller
15 – AJ Charity
16 – Susan Myers
18 – Jenna Hoffmaster, Tyler Dellinger, Shirley Linaweaver
21 – Stephen McCarthy

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PRAYERS and CARDS

Donna Babcock	Abbe Kennedy
Margie Cook	Nora Long
Faye Cullers	Cheri May
Martin Cullers	Spencer McIntosh
Wayne Cullers	Bonnie Painter
Carol Czarneski	Jessie Payne
The family of Warren French, Jr.	Jack Sheetz
Dr. Jerry Germroth	Craig Smith
Randy and Valorie Hockman	Jack Sullivan
Wes Irvin	Dee Tisinger
Jake Johnson	Pete Wright
Daniel Rohne Kasten	

