

St Peter and St Paul United Church of Christ

July 21st, 2024

9th Sunday after Pentecost

If you are visiting us for the first time, welcome! Thank you for joining us, we're happy you are here.

Please make sure to sign-in in the Narthex and include your name and email so we can keep you updated on upcoming events and special worship services.

*Please stand if you are able and comfortable

Congregation reads text in bold print

In our liturgy, A: is all our voices. L: is the liturgist's voice P: is the Pastor's voice

Pre-Service Music ~ 9:55 a.m.

Please enter the sanctuary to prepare for worship

Bringing Christ's light into Worship

Angela Williams, Acolyte

Prayer Requests, Joys and Concerns

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

Live stream begins

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

Prelude Garrett Woods, Music Director

*Call to Worship

Jan Williams, Liturgist

L: I like to think of Jesus, so loving kind and true,

A: that when he walked among his friends, his friends were loving too.

L: I like to think of Jesus with children at his knee;

A: and hear his gentle words again, "Let children come to me."

L: I like to think of Jesus so loving, kind, and true,

A: that somehow when I think of him, it makes me loving too.

*Hymn

"God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian"

No. 450

*Invocation

A: Father, lead me day by day, ever in thine own good way; teach me to be kind and true; show me what I ought to do. When I'm tempted to do wrong, make me steadfast, wise, and strong; and when all alone I stand, shield me with thy mighty hand. Amen.

*Call to Confession

L: Let us gather our hearts together with hope, sincerity, and love for God and our neighbor, as we confess our trespasses against God and one another.

*Prayer of Confession

L: God, our provider,

A: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live.

We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.

Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

P: The Lord is my light and salvation – whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom I shall be afraid? When evil men advance against me, when my enemies and my foes attack me, though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear. For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord. Amen.

*Gloria Patri (Glory be to the Father)

No. 35

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Please be seated.

Time for Silent Prayer ~ Prayer Challenge #12 – Pray for God to increase your faith. – Mark 9:24 & Luke 17:5 ~ Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord; incline thine ear to us, and grant us Your peace. Amen.

The Holy Scriptures

The First Reading – Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Special Music

" Precious Lord, Take My Hand "

Sung by Garrett Woods, Accompanied by Eva Warner

The Holy Gospel – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Message

"Rest and Relaxation"

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

*Affirmation of Faith ~ The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn

"Near to the Heart of God"

No. 581

*Invitation to Generosity

L: Jesus, Bread of life, you have invited us to this worship and sharing with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Give us the courage and cheerfulness to give according to your will.

*Doxology (Praise)

No. 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

A: The Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. May the Lord continue to direct our congregation into God's love and Christ's perseverance. Amen.

VBS Presentation and Songs

Led by Tammi Hart

*Hymn

"The Church's One Foundation"

No. 272

*Benediction

P: The grace of God the Father and Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, through the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, dwell with us forever.

A: Thanks be to God.

*Benediction Response

There is strength in the name of the Lord; There is power in the name of the Lord; There is hope in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Postlude

Thank you for worshipping with us at St. Peter and St. Paul United Church of Christ!

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Announcements



Summer Singing

Anyone interested in singing during worship this summer please sign up at Communication Corner.

Adults, we need ushers!
Women or men, please help your congregation by volunteering yourselves!
We need you!

Praise Dance Classes

Due to low attendance and increased costs, classes will be suspended.

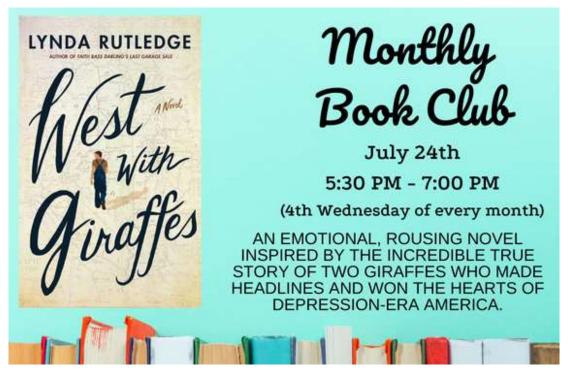
The last class will be held on August 1st.

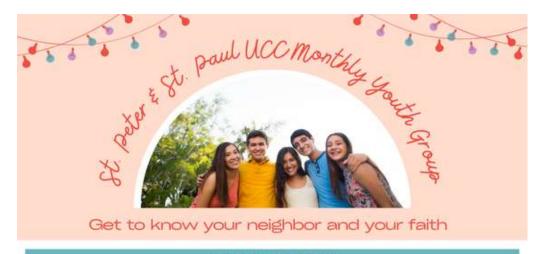
Our July 28th worship picnic has been moved to Sept 8th.

Property Wish List

The Property Department is asking for donations to help with the cost of maintaining areas of the church. If you are able to help, please fill out the form located in the Narthex and return it with your donation. We will update the graph each week so you can see the progress of our goal.







JULY 27TH 2024 4 - 6 PM LAST SATURDAY EVERY MONTH

All 6-12 grade neighbors and friends are invited. Share the word with everyone!

Youth Group In July:

- Meal: Spaghettí & Meatballs!
- Craft: Come and be an artist.
- Bible Study: Our Human Journey & Jesus.
- Take Home: To remember the journey.



Jesus Of Nazareth

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Disciples	Jerusalem	Miracles	Matthew
Mother	Bread	Jesus	Peter
Simon	John	Lamb	Luke
Mark	Mary	Wine	God



