



St Peter and St Paul United Church of Christ

August 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

12<sup>TH</sup> 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

*Keelyn Anderson, 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**

*Pastor James R. Hill, Liturgist*

L: The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

**A: Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, O everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in.**

L: Who is this King of glory?

**A: The Lord of hosts is the King of glory! The Lord of hosts is the King of glory!**

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**A: The Lord of hosts is the King of glory! (Psalm 24:1, 7, 10)**

\*Hymn

**"Out of the Depths"**

**No. 510**

**\*Invocation**

**A: Gracious God, your blessed Son came down from heaven to be the true bread that gives life to the world. Give us this bread always, that he may live in us and we in him, and that, strengthened by this food, we may live as his body in the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*Call to Confession**

L: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, imploring him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

**A: Creator God, we confess that we fail to recognize the bounty around us. We are not satisfied; we never have enough. We consider what we have received and what we have generated, is too little rather than sufficient. We need to cultivate our imagination and our faith to observe abundance and opportunity rather than scarcity and deficiency. Help us to comprehend that, in your kingdom, the fragments you gather are more than enough for flourishing.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

P: Beloved, you are enough. God's grace, strength, love, and hope meet you with sufficiency. Through the Holy One's sustaining power, we can gather the fragments that make our lives beautiful and God's kingdom real in the world.

\*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 # 15 – Look outside your window and talk to God about what you see. Daniel 6:10 ~ 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.**

Prayer Through Song

*“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”*

No. 306

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

### **Young People’s Message!**

All young people are invited to come forward for their own special time with the Pastor.

All bring their backpacks forward and we will talk, then stand in a half-circle

### **Blessing of the Backpacks & Students**

#### **The Holy Scriptures**

#### **First Reading – 1 Kings 19:4-8**

<sup>4</sup>[Elijah] went a day’s journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: “It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.”<sup>5</sup>Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, “Get up and eat.”<sup>6</sup>He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, “Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.”<sup>8</sup>He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Special Music

**“Standing on the Promises”**

**No. 552**

#### **Gospel Reading: John 6:35, 41-51**

*After feeding more than five thousand people in the wilderness, Jesus teaches them regarding the true significance of this remarkable sign.*

<sup>35</sup>Jesus said to [the crowd,] “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”

<sup>41</sup>Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.”<sup>42</sup>They were saying, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”<sup>43</sup>Jesus answered them, “Do not complain among yourselves.

<sup>44</sup>No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. <sup>45</sup>It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me.

<sup>46</sup>Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father.

<sup>47</sup>Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. <sup>48</sup>I am the bread of life. <sup>49</sup>Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. <sup>50</sup>This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup>I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

*Message*

**"Stew, Salad, and Smoothies?"**

*Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse*

**\*Affirmation of Faith ~ \*Affirmation of Faith – "The Jesus Creed"**

**We have confidence in Jesus who healed the sick, the blind, and the paralysed.**

**And even raised the dead.**

**He cast out evil powers and confronted corrupt leaders.**

**He cleansed the temple.**

**He favoured the poor. He turned water into wine,**

**walked on water, calmed storms.**

**He died for the sins of the world, rose from the dead, ascended to the Father,  
and sent the Holy Spirit.**

**We have confidence in Jesus who taught in word and example, sign and wonder.**

**He preached parables of the kingdom of God on hillsides, from boats, in the temple, in homes, at banquets and parties, along the road, on beaches, in towns,  
by day and by night.**

**He taught the way of love for God and neighbour,  
for stranger and enemy, for outcast and alien.**

**We have confidence in Jesus, who called disciples, led them,**

**gave them new names and new purpose and sent them out to preach good news.**

**He washed their feet as a servant.**

**He walked with them, ate with them, called them friends,**

**rebuked them, encouraged them, promised to leave and then return,  
and promised to be with them always.**

**He taught them to pray. He rose early to pray, stole away to desolate places,  
fasted and faced agonising temptations, wept in a garden, and prayed,  
'Not my will but your will be done.'**

**He rejoiced, he sang, he feasted, he wept.**

**We have confidence in Jesus, so we follow him, learn his ways,  
seek to obey his teaching and live by his example.**

**We walk with him, walk in him, abide in him, as a branch in a vine.**

**We have not seen him, but we love him.**

**His words are to us words of life eternal,  
and to know him is to know the true and living God.**

**We do not see him now, but we have confidence in Jesus. Amen.**

- The Jesus Creed was first used at the Emergent Convention, Nashville, May 2004. © Brian McLaren

\*Hymn

**“Help Us Accept Each Other”**

**No. 487**

**\*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. We give as the Spirit leads us, with faith, hope and love.

\*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: Jesus, Bread of life, you come to us in the places where we have the greatest need.  
All good gifts come from your gracious hand. We offer you this bread, wine, and money, the  
harvest of our time and labor. Make us wise stewards of all your gifts, that your name may  
be exalted in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

\*Hymn

**“There’s A Wideness In God’s Mercy”**

**No. 73**

**\*Benediction**

P: God of our ancestors, God of all people, before whose face the human generations continue in the great *Alleluia*, we thank you that as the broken bread was gathered into one loaf, the broken fragments of our history are gathered up and healed by the redeeming act of Christ. Send us forth in peace, form us into what we celebrate, the body of Christ in the world.

**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

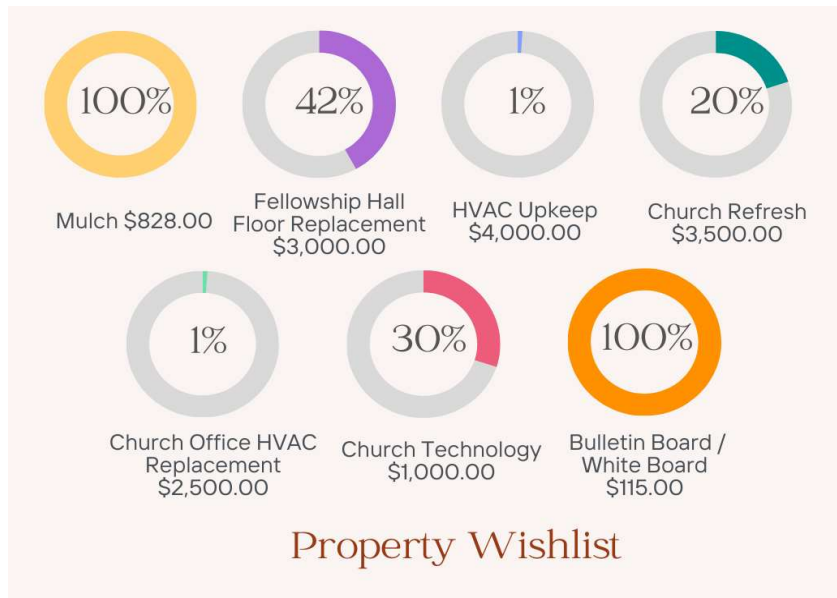
September 1st the Friends of the Choir are gathering to sing - during the service - Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone. We are looking for choir and non-members who would like to sing. If interested there will be a rehearsal at 9:30 on the 1st. Please wear something red, white or blue.

Adults, we need ushers!

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

## 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.





## MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEAL

August 17th 2024  
10:30am - 12:00pm  
(3rd Saturday every month)

Join us for a free meal, food bag to take home as well the opportunity to go through all clothing and houseware donations that you may need. All are welcome, no documentation required.



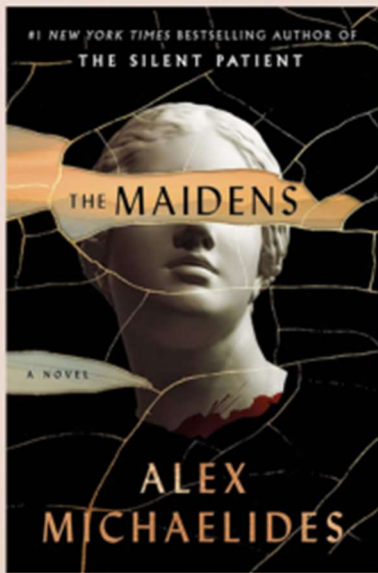
## Knitting/Crochet Group

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting come join us!!!

Any questions  
ask Cindy  
Seery.

Every Friday, from  
10 to 12 here at  
church.





# Monthly Book Club

August 28th

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

(4th Wednesday of every month)

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Silent Patient* comes a spellbinding tale of psychological suspense, weaving together Greek mythology, murder, and obsession, that further cements "Michaelides as a major player in the field" (Publishers Weekly).



St. Peter & St. Paul UCC Monthly Youth Group

Get to know your neighbor and your faith

AUGUST 31ST 2024

4 - 6 PM

LAST SATURDAY EVERY MONTH

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

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

# Back to School Scramble



Everything was almost ready to start the new school year but the labels for the classroom got jumbled. Can you unscramble the letters to form the names of 24 things you might find in your classroom? Watch out, one of the objects is formed from two words.

IRCAH \_\_\_\_\_  
FGAL \_\_\_\_\_  
BKOENOTO \_\_\_\_\_  
CDLNARAE \_\_\_\_\_  
REEARS \_\_\_\_\_  
LSARTPE \_\_\_\_\_  
EGLU \_\_\_\_\_  
IRFLEAAMR \_\_\_\_\_  
CNLEPI \_\_\_\_\_  
KSED \_\_\_\_\_  
OASOCBEK \_\_\_\_\_  
TXOKBTOE \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

CRTOLUALCA \_\_\_\_\_  
RRAMEK \_\_\_\_\_  
KACKCBAP \_\_\_\_\_  
ROSSSICS \_\_\_\_\_  
CKALH \_\_\_\_\_  
OLCKC \_\_\_\_\_  
CATEEHR \_\_\_\_\_  
MSOACPS \_\_\_\_\_  
ENDUSTT \_\_\_\_\_  
GLEBO \_\_\_\_\_  
NIBDRE \_\_\_\_\_  
APPRE \_\_\_\_\_  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Communion	Church & Ministry - 11:30 am F.H.	Food Pick-up - 12-2 pm. Ladies Bible Study - 4-6 pm F.H.	Ladies Bible Study - 4-6 pm F.H.	Ladies Bible Study - 4-6 pm F.H.	Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	Community Meal 10:30 - 12 - F.H.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Bless the Backpacks		Property - 7pm - Par.	Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H.	Ladies Bible Study - 4-6 pm F.H.	Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	Community Meal 10:30 - 12 - F.H.
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		Ladies Bible Study - 4-6 pm F.H. Council - 7 pm - Rm. 107	Book Club 5:30 - 7PM F.H.		Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	Youth Group - 4:00 - 6:00 - F.H.