

St Peter and St Paul United Church of Christ

October 27, 2024

Service of Holy Communion Reformation Sunday 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

Brody Strahn, Acolyte

Prayer Requests, Joys and Concerns

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

Live stream begins

Prelude

Garrett Woods, Music Director

Welcome and Announcements Update on the Search and Call Process

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse Deb Boland

*Call to Worship

Bob Hedspeth, Liturgist

L: Reformation Day is a celebration of the ongoing work of the Church.

A: The Church confesses its faith when it bears a present witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ.

L:The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission.

A: The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

(From the Presbyterian Confession of 1967)

*Hymn

"Wonderful Words of Life"

No. 323

*Invocation

A: We are the Church. The Church is an assembly of the faithful, called or gathered, out of the world; a communion of all saints, namely, of those who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers in all the benefits which are freely offered through Christ. Let us work to worship God with all we are, all we do, and all we have been given. Amen.

*Invitation to Confession

L: Remember, the Lord, the friend of sinners, the oppressed, the estranged, the weak, the sick, widow, orphans. Drawn to Christ and seeking your abundance, we confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

*Prayer of Confession

A: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. We create errors and trespass against our neighbor. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us. By your Holy Word, you have called us together to be a Church of love and service in the world. By your Holy Word, we know that we live in grace and hope. Keep us ever close to your Word, that it might be written upon our hearts. We again, and again, commit our lives to you and to your Living Word, O God.

*Assurance of Pardon

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal communion with God. Through Jesus, who is the Living Word, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. 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 #26 – Pray for someone who doesn't know Christ. Romans 10:1 ~ 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.

Young people may go to Sunday School

Tammi Hart

The Holy Scriptures

First Lesson: Hebrews 7:23-28

²³Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

Choir Anthem: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

arr. by John Helgen

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here."

And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵²Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Message "Word and Music" Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

*Affirmation of Faith ~ The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

*Hymn

"When In Our Music God is Glorified"

No. 7

*Invitation to the Offering

L: The richness of God's love extends to all persons and in response to God's abundant compassion, we are invited into a spirit of generosity so that God's love may be known to the very ends of the earth. Let us give generously.

*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: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Service of Holy Communion

*Communion Prayer

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,

who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, send your Word, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the presence of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Seraphic Hymn

Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and Earth are full, Are full of the majesty of Thy glory, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Please be seated.

Invitation to Communion

P: We are made one through the Word and through these simple elements, every time we come to the Table to share them. May we become closer in our faith and broader in our serving, as we share in our faith in the way that Jesus taught us. Amen.

Communion Anthem: "Gifts of Bread and Wine" by Ruth Elaine Schram

Distribution of Communion

P: Come. All things are ready. The gifts of God, for the people of God. *All may come forward for the bread (Gluten Free is available) and wine (outer ring of cups) or grape juice (center of tray). If you are not able to come forward, raise your hand and we will bring Communion to you.*

Prayer of Gratitude

A: Holy Creator, we remember the sacrifice of Jesus, and all who follow to bring love and hope to the world. May this bread and drink nourish us as Christ's presence between us, and in all of us. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

No. 65

*Benediction

P: May you, according to the riches of God's glory, the presence of Christ, and by power of the Spirit, be strengthened. May you find healing in miracles of hope, faith, and love in the Word of God. May you share the Word of God every day in faith and in action, to give the Life of Jesus – for all your life. Amen.

A: Thanks be to God.

*Benediction Response

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace, and give you peace.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious, and be gracious; the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you.

Postlude

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

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Current Office Hours: W, Th, & Fri. 10am - 2pm (W & Th remotely) \sim Sat 9-11am + 513-661-3745 In case of pastoral care emergency, please call the office, Deb Boland, or Pastor Teri Lynn at 513-250-6460

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Announcements



Deadline this Wednesday October 30th.

Our church will observe Totenfest during morning worship on Sunday, November 3rd. We will remember all of those of our church family who have passed away in the last year. If you would like to add the name of a loved one or friend to our Totenfest list, please send that information to the church office by <u>Wednesday</u>, October 30th.

Joan McConnell who substitutes as our organist when needed has invite the congregation to a concert she is performing in. All are welcome.

Sunday, November 10, 2024 3:00 PM Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 7701 Kenwood Rd, Cincinnati, 45236 Joan Holder McConnell, Organ

To Everything, There is a Season

An international program of music from France, Belgium, Germany, Spain and the United States, featuring musical reflections on the Reformation and the coming Advent-Christmas season.

Music by: Jacques Lemmens, Antonio Cabezon, Helmut Walcha, J.S. Bach, Jean-Jacques Charpentier, Olivier Messiaen, Doug McConnell, Marcel Dupré

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.



Please Note---Starting October 20th any funds donated to the Property Wish List will not be represented in the numbers above until the first week of December.



Hurricanes 2024 Relief Efforts

We announced last week that St. Peter & St. Paul UCC has applied and been approved for a matching grant to assemble hygiene and cleanup buckets to help hurricane survivors clean their homes and businesses. Here is some additional information

- ➤ We have created the sign up sheets that will be posted on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.
- ➤ You can also sign up online at the link below which can also be found on our website and will be posted to Facebook.

 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49AAA822A1F8CE9-52438129-spsp
- ➤ If you would like to make a monetary donation towards this effort you can do that on our website as well.
- ➤ Once we have started receiving the items we will schedule some dates for assembly. If you'd like to volunteer for those, stay tuned.
- ➤ We are asking for assistance from the community and neighboring churches to complete this project. If you know of someone or a merchant that would like to help out direct them to our website or Facebook page for more details on how they can help.
- Deadline for items is November 24th.

Mission Statement

St. Peter and St. Paul United Church of Christ

Be the lighthouse of the community, letting Christ's life flow through us as a beacon of hope and strength to others.

To enlighten the entire church family on the values of participation and commitment

Offer to all the hand of fellowship, allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us

Light the way for the community, as we serve God and reach out to minister

Offer support and care for one another, with grace

Visit and minister to all in need, as Jesus did

Encourage one another to walk in the faith, actively in love



Trick Or Treat Word Trails

Find and connect the trail of letters for each word. The trails can wander up, down, left, right, and diagonally.



bag cookie

dragon

goodies

monster pirate

scare

taffy

vampire

boo

costume

fairy knock

neighborhood

princess

scarecrow

toffee

werewolf

brittle

dinosaur

ghoul licorice

night

pumpkin

superhero

toothbrush

wizard

butterscotch

disguise

goblin

mask

ogre

robot sweets

treats

zombie

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Food Pick-up - 12-2 pm.	Ladies Bible Study- 3-5 pm F.H. Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary Bells - 6:00 pm - 107	3	4 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	2
9		8	9 Spring Spring	10	11 Knitting/Crochating	12
Communion	Church & Ministry - 11:30 am F.H.	Property - 7pm - Par.	3-5 pm F.H. Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary		Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	
13	14	15	16	77	18	61
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		Council - 7 pm - Rm. 107	Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H. Book Club 5:30 - 7PM F.H. Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary		Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	Trunk or Treat 6-7 pm Youth Group - 4:00 - 6:00 - F.H.
27	28	29	30	31		
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