



St Peter and St Paul United Church of Christ

October 6, 2024

Service of Holy Communion  
World Communion 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

*Keelyn Anderson, Acolyte*

Prayer Requests, Joys and Concerns

*Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse*

*Live stream begins*

Prelude

*Garrett Woods, Music Director*

Welcome and Announcements

*Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse*

**\*Call to Worship**

*Pastor James R. Hill, Liturgist*

Leader: The whole world is in God's hands.

**People: Everything that lives and breathes. Everything that simply is. Everything.**

Leader: From the farthest spaces, to the inmost places!

**People: God is with us and we are with God. Alleluia!**

Leader: As people of Christ, gathered at the table, with our sisters and brothers around the world, to remember whose we are, we praise God!

**People: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn

*"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"*

**No. 82**

**\*Invocation**

**A: God of brilliant sunsets and shining rainbows, God of golden daffodils and glowing autumn leaves, God of all the blues of sunlit seas, God of all the shades of green in bush and field, in rivers and oceans and lakes, in rough stones on a beach and polished jewels in a showcase;**

**God of people, brown and amber, pink and ebony, artistic and athletic, practical and visionary, compassionate and laughter-bringing, God who colours us a world of variety; We thank you that you have made each of us unique, that you call us to contribute our special colours to the life around us.**

**We come to you in thanksgiving and worship. Amen**      *(from Aotearoa / New Zealand)*

**\*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. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**\*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, the Way, Truth, and Life, 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 #23 – Pray for God to fill you with peace.  
Romans 15:13 ~ 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*

## **First Reading: Psalm 8**

**<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord, how exalted is your name in all the world!**

**<sup>2</sup>Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

**<sup>3</sup>You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger.**

**<sup>4</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

**<sup>5</sup>what is man that you should be mindful of him, the son of man that you should seek him out?**

**<sup>6</sup>You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor;**

**<sup>7</sup>you give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet:**

**<sup>8</sup>all sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field,**

**<sup>9</sup>the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.**

**Choir Anthem:**

**"Walk By Faith!"**

**by Joel Raney**

## **The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:13-16**

**<sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.**

**<sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.**

**\*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

*“Rejoice in God's Saints”*

**No. 476**

\*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.

**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—our selves, 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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, 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, 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!**

## **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.*

**Communion Anthem: "How Beautiful"**

**by Twila Paris**

## **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

*"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"*

**No. 422**

## **\*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, and be filled with the fullness of God, of Life and for 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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## Announcements



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Attention all painters.

The Property Department is looking for volunteers to help with painting  
the wood trim around the windows and the baseboards in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you  
Property Dept.

Please see a member of the Property Dept.

Mike Miller

Jim or Teresa Miller

Andy Hitz

Deb Boland

Jo Ann Iames

Glenn Schnell

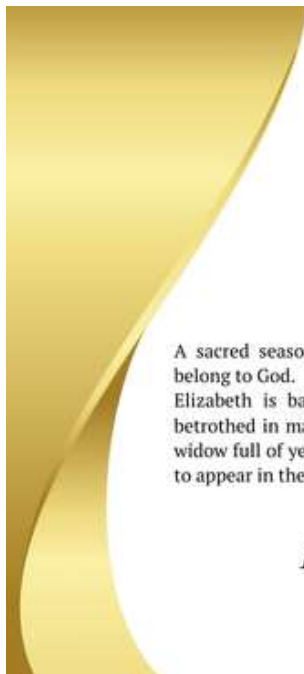
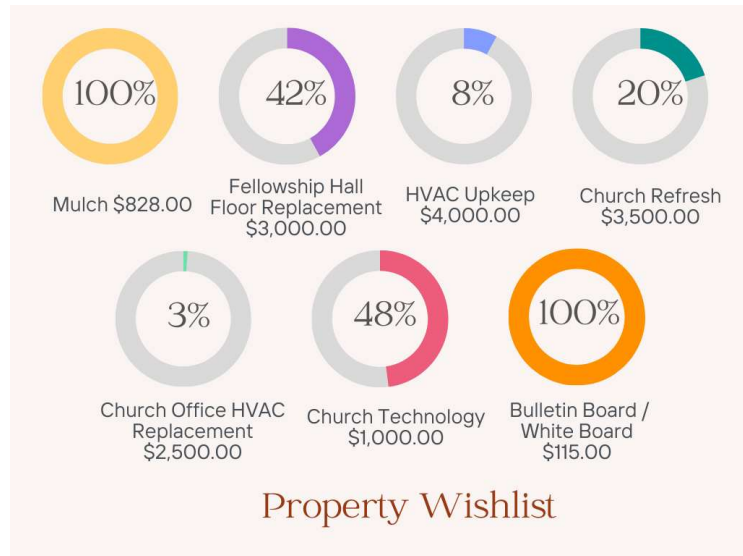
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Our church will observe Totenfest during morning worship  
on Sunday, November 3rd. We will remember all of those of  
our church family who have passed away in the last year. If  
you would like to add the name of a loved one or friend to  
our Totenfest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



# 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.

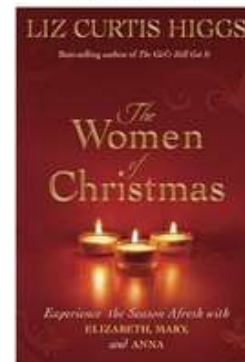


## LADIES BIBLE STUDY

### *The Women of Christmas* by Liz Curtis Higgins

A sacred season is about to unfold for three women whose hearts belong to God. Elizabeth is barren, yet her trust in God remains fertile. Mary is betrothed in marriage, yet she is willing to bear God's Son. Anna is a widow full of years, yet she waits patiently, prayerfully for the Messiah to appear in the temple courts.

*8 week Series  
Every Wednesday  
10/9 - 11/27  
3:00 - 5:00 pm*



## MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEAL

October 19th, 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.



# TRUNK *or* TREAT

SAVE THE DATE

OCT 26TH - 6:00-7:00 P.M.

JOIN THE FUN!  
BRING YOUR LITTLE ONES OR SET UP A TRUNK.  
WRAPPED CANDY OR MONETARY DONATIONS  
APPRECIATED.



## 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.

**T**o enlighten the entire church family on the values of participation and commitment

**O**ffer to all the hand of fellowship, allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us

**L**ight the way for the community, as we serve God and reach out to minister

**O**ffer support and care for one another, with grace

**V**isit and minister to all in need, as Jesus did

**E**ncourage one another to walk in the faith, actively in love

## PRODUCE POP UP WITH FREESTORE FOODBANK

2nd Thursdays || 2-4pm  
Back of Rear Parking Lot

According to the USDA, half of every meal should be made up of fruits and vegetables. Freestore Foodbank & Anthem are working together to deliver Produce Pop Ups to your neighborhood with our community partners, food pantries, and organizations.

The Covedale Branch has partnered in this collaborative effort to distribute FREE food to families in need on a first-come, first-served basis.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



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Covedale Branch

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# OCTOBER 2024



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