

Remembering all souls.



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them.*

St Peter and St Paul United Church of Christ

All Saints' Sunday
&
Totenfest

November 3, 2024

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

Liam Miller, 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**

Julie Ress, Liturgist

L: Give thanks for the enduring love of the Holy One!

A: We've been gathered from all directions and in all spaces to declare the greatness of God.

L: Give thanks for the enduring love of the Holy One!

A: We have been redeemed by the abiding love of our Creator.

L: Give thanks for the enduring love of the Holy One!

A: Let the redeemed proclaim God's wondrous works. Great is the Holy One and greatly to be praised!

*Hymn

"Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates"

No. 129

***Invocation**

A: God of all people, Holy Maker of Creation and of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the complete knowledge of Your Son; that on the day of His appearing they may be manifested as Your children; we ask this through Jesus Christ, the Eternal One, with the Power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

*** Call to Confession**

L: Every day is a new opportunity to serve God. We do not always get it right. Thanks be to God; God is gracious and patient. Let us turn to God in confession and receive the assurance of God's mercy.

***Prayer of Confession**

A: Gracious God, we struggle to trust you in all aspects of our lives, and we seek validation from human and inadequate sources. We confess that we base our identity on human structures, plans, and schemes. We fail to be satisfied with the gifts and purpose you have given to us. We do not appreciate the ways in which we are uniquely and wonderfully made. Renew us; give us a right spirit of humility and peace we pray. Amen.

***Words of Assurance**

P: Friends, you are God's magnificent handiwork. You were created in greatness and can therefore rest in humility. Know that God's love for you is assured, God's grace finds you in your struggles, and God's plan for you is filled with hope. You are redeemed, recognized, and restored to the glory of God. 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.

Silent Prayer - Prayer Challenge #27 – Pray for a God-sized miracle. Ephesians 3:20-21 ~
Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

A: 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 Thy peace. Amen.**

First Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so, we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Choir Anthem

"Heaven's Choir"

by Pepper Choplin

Gospel Reading: John 5:24-27

²⁴Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life.

²⁵ 'Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. ²⁶For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; ²⁷and he has given him authority to execute judgement, because he is the Son of Man.

Message

"Seeing God Face to Face"

Pastor Teri Lynn Stackhouse

***Affirmation of Faith – "We Are Not Alone"**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.**

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

P: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith, for all your saints, O Lord, who strove in you to die, who counted you their great reward ~ accept our thankful cry.

A: We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses ~ family members and members of this congregations; fellow believers in every country, every denomination, every age.

P: We thank you for their example. We praise you for their lives of faith. For this, your name we bless and humbly pray anew, that we like them, may live and die in you.

A: We celebrate the gift of life and remember those from St. Peter and St. Paul UCC that entered the Church Triumphant in the last 12 months.

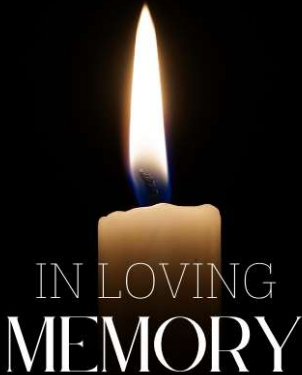
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MEMBERS OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

JACK KOHLMAYER - 12/29/2023
JUDY CROW - 3/16/2024
BETTY WESLEY - 5/12/2024
DOROTHY GARRETT - 5/14/24
BONNIE JEAN KLENE DIEHL - 6/29/2024
JUDY GRAHAM - 8/25/2024
JOHN "JACK" WESSEL - 10/12/24



A: We remember friends, family, and community members now in the Church Triumphant.



FRIENDS & FAMILY OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

JAKOB MURPHY - 12/24/12
WARREN BABCOCK - 03/24/21
ROBERT HOUSTON - 11/13/23
ROBERT "BOB" WESTERMEYER - 12/22/23
TIFFANY TOLER - 1/23/24
BETTY WESTERMEYER - 1/31/24
BETTY WESTERMEYER - 1/31/24
CINDY WINSTON - 2/14/24
RITA A SCHMIDT - 5/29/24
PHILLIS CORBIN - 6/1/24
RUDY BRUNO - 7/25/2024
KEVIN REINHARDT - 9/5/24
PAT CALLAHAN - 9/17/2024

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The Lighting of Candles in Memory of Loved Ones and Friends
Please come forward now and light a candle for your loved one.

Reflection and Remembrance – A Litany based on “We Remember Them”
by Sylvan Kamens and Rabbi Jack Riemer

L: In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.

A: In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of Winter, we remember them.

L: In the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of Spring, we remember them.

A: In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of Summer, we remember them.

L: In the rustling of Autumn, we remember them.

A: In the beginning of the year, and when it ends, we remember them.

L: When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

A: So long as we shall live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us as we remember them.

***Hymn**

“Marching to Zion”

No. 707

***Benediction**

P: May the Spirit of the Living God go with you into the world with power and compassion to lift the lowly. May Creator be glorified through the lives we live as witnesses to the greatness of God. And may Jesus the Christ be our Companion and Guide on the path to humility and greatness.

***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.**

If you like, you may be seated to listen to a special Postlude:

“Marching to Zion” arr. by Mark Hayes

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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) ~ Sat 9-11am + 513-661-3745

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Announcements



Joan McConnell who substitutes as our organist when needed has invited 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

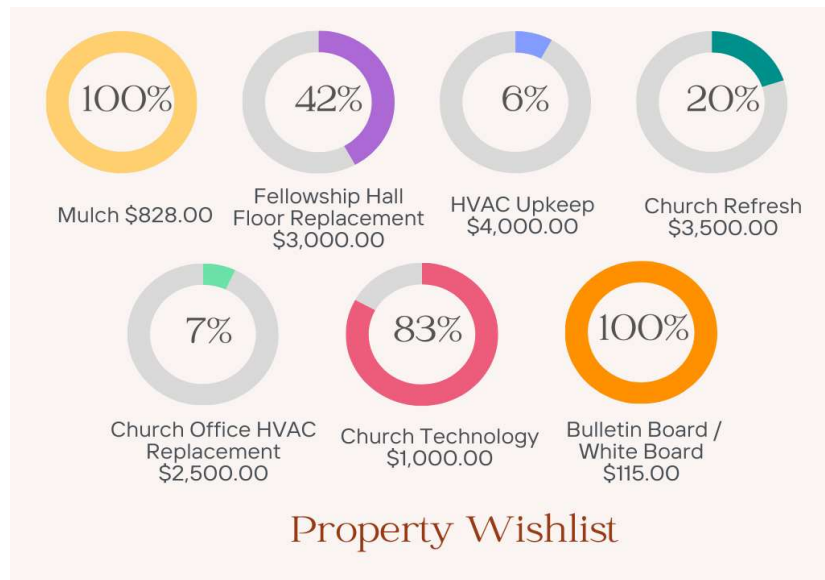
To Everything, There is a Season

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.

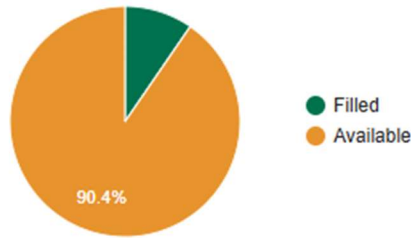


Please Note---Starting October 20th any funds donated to the Property Wish List will not be represented in the numbers above until the first week of December.

Hurricanes 2024 Relief Efforts

Sign Up Activity

Total Slots: 480
Filled Slots: 46
Available Slots: 434
% Filled: 9.58%



Note: Items with unlimited quantity are not included in this graph.

- You can sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or online at the link below which can also be found on our website and will be posted to Facebook.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A49AAA822AIF8CE9-52438129-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



Free Food Distribution

NOVEMBER 5TH
12:00PM - 2:00PM
 (1st Tuesday of every month)

Our free food pick-up is open to all.
 No documentation needed, no questions asked.



MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEAL

November 16th 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.




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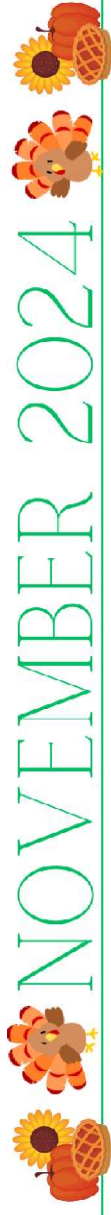


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NOVEMBER 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	2 Search Committee - 9:00 - 11:00 am
3 Totenfest Service 	4 Church & Ministry - 11:30 am F.H.	5 Food Pick-up - 12-2 pm.	6 Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H. Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary	7	8 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	9
10	11	12 Property - 7pm - Par.	13 Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H. Bells - 6:00 pm - 107 Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary	14	15 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	16 Search Committee - 9:00 - 11:00 am Community Meal 10:30 - 12 - F.H.
17	18	19	20 Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H. Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary	21	22 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library	23
24 Clean-up bucket supplies deadline 	25	26 Council - 7 pm - Rm. 107	27 Ladies Bible Study - 3-5 pm F.H. Bells - 6:00 pm - 107 Choir 7 - 8:30 pm - Sanctuary	28 	29 Knitting/Crocheting Group - 10 am - 12 pm - Library Christmas Decorating - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm	30 Youth Group - 4:00 - 6:00 - F.H.
Communion						