

Mission Statement

St. Paul United Methodist Church exists to honor God by making more disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 21, 2024

8:30 a.m.

Introduction and Announcements:

Prelude **Adagio** **by Faure**

***Call to Worship: Psalm 23 (Response 1)** **Page 754**

***Opening Prayer (in Unison): Almighty Father, to love others in Your name brings us joy; to worship You with open and humble hearts brings us joy; to honor You with our voices in song and community prayers brings us joy. In the darkest of valleys You bring joy. Help us in this hour to praise You and remember Your sustaining presence. Amen.**

***Opening Hymn: Joy to the World Page 246**
Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; let every heart prepare him room, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing, and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let all their songs employ; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; he comes to make his blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 103: 1-18

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem:

Grace

Hamlin

Prayers of the People

***The Lord's Prayer (in unison):**

"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.

***Gospel Lesson: John 15: 1-11**

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Second Hymn:**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our brother, all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; love divine is reigning o'er us, binding all within its span. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife; joyful music leads us sunward, in the triumph song of life.

Today's Sermon:

"Joy"

Rev. John Kratz

Offertory

Folk Tune

by Whitlock

***Congregational Response**

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***Offering Prayer:** God, we give with thankful hearts. We give as acts of praise and in response to Your blessing. We give asking that You bless these gifts for others to come into the joy of Your kingdom. May our joy be filled with seeing others come to Your salvation. Amen.

***Closing Hymn:**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

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Rejoice, ye pure in heart; rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

Your clear hosannas raise, and alleluias loud; whilst answering echoes upward float, like wreaths of incense cloud. (Refrain)

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go; from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe. (Refrain)

At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their heavenly home, Jerusalem the blest. (Refrain)

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forever more. (Refrain)

Benediction

Postlude: Passaeaglia by Ostermann

***Please stand if you able.**

Welcome Families with young children! St. Paul UMC values our children. We strive to teach each child who visits with us more about God and Jesus.

When you enter the Sanctuary or FLC for church, you will see a white rack in the back of the room. On this rack are "Fruits of the Spirit" cloth bags. Inside each bag is an activity book based on Biblical stories. There is also a small notebook, a pen, and a pack of crayons. Please feel free to borrow one of these Children's Activity bags for the duration of the church service.

When the service ends, we kindly ask you to return all of the materials to the cloth bag and hang the bag back on the white rack before you leave to go home. That way, the bags are there for all children to enjoy. Thank you

**The flowers are in memory of Winnie Ross
by Doug & Pat McCulloh.**

Serving in Worship Today

Greeter	Barb & Chris Buhrman
Worship Leader	Joy Weller
Head Usher	Gary Dull

During the service, the nursery is staffed and available for your children on the main floor
Sharing room (A9).

The Parlor is also available for you to sit with your child and view the service.