

Welcome! Whether you are worshipping with us in-person or virtually, we pray that you and your family are safe and healthy. We are blessed by your presence!



Visitors, Prayer Requests or to Update Information, please complete the card in the pew rack and drop it in the basket on the chancel rail when you leave.

Your Offering may be placed in the offering plate when you get a bulletin or in the basket by the chancel rail at the front of the church. We no longer pass the offering plate. Thank you for giving in support of the missions and ministries of St. Paul's.

The Special Bouquet is in memory of Donald Hausman. The gift of Marie and family.

Serving Today

Scripture Reader: Emily Zimmerman
Greeters: Paul & Lynn Eschbach
Acolyte: TBD
Tech: Mahlon Boyer

Last Sunday In-person Attendance: 130
Virtual worship viewings: 51 (as of 10/6)
Giving: \$4524

BIRTHDAYS ~ this week

October 10: Jamie Haupt
October 12: Joseph Paretti, Johnny Hartline, Donald Breitenstein
October 13: Linda Okuniewski
October 14: Bette Mooney, Kermit Krick, Jr.
October 15: Ty Czeiner

ANNIVERSARIES ~ this week

October 12: Peter & Marlene Dadey, Steven & Shannon Simpson, Dennis & Virginia Stoudt
October 13: Garry & Carol Labe, Jeff & Renee Kline

Next Sunday: *Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*
Message: *God-breathed Words*
Texts: *Psalms 119:97-104, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5*, Luke 18:1-8*
**next Sunday's sermon text*



St. Paul's UCC, Amityville

1979 Weavertown Road, Douglassville, PA 19518

October 9, 2022

Ministers: The People of St. Paul's UCC
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St. Paul's United Church of Christ Mission Statement

In its life and mission, St. Paul's UCC seeks to worship the triune God; proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ; practice loving service toward the needy; embody God's reign of peace and justice; establish a Christian community of faith; and be a faithful member of the church universal.



St. Paul's United Church of Christ

Amityville, Pennsylvania

October 9, 2022

9:45 A.M.

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

* = Those who are able may stand

Prelude *Autumn Reverie* -Paxton
Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus - Webb/Mansfield

* Processional Hymn *We Are Called to Be God's People* Hymnal #415

* Greeting The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Introit
1. **May the mind of Christ, my Savior,
live in me from day to day.
By His love and pow'r controlling
all I do and say.**
2. **May His beauty rest upon me
as I seek the lost to win;
And may they forget the channel,
seeing only Him.**

* The Solemn Declaration (from 2 Timothy 2:11-12) sung response: **Amen!**

* Call to Worship —based on Psalm 66

Come and see what God has done.
God is awesome in God's deeds.
God turned the sea into dry land.
God's people passed through the river on foot.
Make a joyful noise to God all the earth.
Sing the glory of God's name.

[Singing] **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,** Hymnal #813
and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen. Amen.

* Call to Confession —based 2 Timothy 2:13

Silent Prayer

* Prayer of Confession (in unison)

—based on Luke 17

**Jesus, Master,
have mercy on us.
We keep our distance from you,
for we are broken and sick with sin.
Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole.
Forgive us when we forget to return to you—
have mercy when we fail to praise your name,
and help us to exude the faith that makes us well.
Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

—based on Luke 17

Hear the good news:
Your call has been answered.
Christ has healed you,
and forgives your sin.
Thanks be to God!

* Affirmation

The Apostle's Creed

(inside hymnal cover)

* Prayer of the Day

—based on Jeremiah 29

Anthem

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

-Allen

Prayer for Illumination

—based on 2 Timothy 2:9, 15

Scripture Readings *Luke 17:11-19, 2 Timothy 2:8-15*

After the readings: *The Word of God for the People of God...*

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

God's Approved Workers

* Responsive Hymn

O Jesus. I Have Promised

Hymnal #676

Prayers of the People response: *Holy God, hear our prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Invitation to the Offering

—based on Psalm 66

* Doxology

Hymnal #815

* Prayer of Dedication

* Recessional Hymn

I Then Shall Live

Hymnal #604

* Benediction

—based on 2 Timothy 2:11-15

Threefold Amen

Postlude

Echo Alleluia

-Purcell

SERMON TEXT

2 Timothy 2:8-15

⁸Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

¹¹Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him,
we will also live with him;

¹²if we endure,
we will also reign with him.

If we disown him,
he will also disown us;

¹³if we are faithless,
he will remain faithful,
for he cannot disown himself.



¹⁴Keep reminding them of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. ¹⁵Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance ¹³and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

¹⁴When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

¹⁵One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. ¹⁶He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

¹⁷Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?" ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

ST. PAUL'S ACTIVITIES—this week

Sunday 10/9	Adult Sunday School	8:30 AM
	Fellowship	9:30 AM
	Worship	9:45 AM
	Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation	11:00 AM
	Cub Scouts	4:00 PM
Monday 10/10	Boy Scouts 597	6:45 PM
	Youth Ministry Committee	7:00 PM
Tuesday 10/11	Women's Bible Study	7:00 PM
	Narcotics Anonymous	7:00 PM
	Budget & Finance	7:00 PM
Wednesday 10/12	Youth Group 9-12	7:00 PM
Thursday 10/13	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM
Friday 10/14	Chess Club	7:00 PM

SUNDAY SCHOOL/NURSERY

Ages 3 through Grade 6 should go directly to Rooms 8 and 9 prior to the service for Sunday School. Infants, toddlers, and twos are welcome to join the Nursery downstairs.

Join us for
**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**



FALL FEST - OCTOBER 23

Please join us after worship in Fellowship Hall to celebrate Fall! This is a celebration for EVERYONE. There will be food (chili bar, hot dogs, pumpkin desserts and more!), games and crafts for all ages. This activity takes the place of our annual church picnic. There's a sign-up sheet in the Library for those who did not RSVP by email so we know how many to prepare for.

CHURCH CUSTODIAN OPENING

Our Church Custodian of over a decade, Debbie Millard, has tendered her resignation. Our Church and Ministry Committee is now looking for someone new for the position. Interested? Contact Rich Zuber, Alan Ross, or the church office.

CROP WALK

Save the Date, October 16 - Our annual fundraiser will take place Sunday, October 16 at St. Mark's in Birdsboro. Registration at 1:30, the approximate 2 mile walk starts at 2. There is also a 3-mile optional route. The routes have changed and will include part of the scenic Schuylkill River Trail. Last year St. Paul's raise over \$1,100! Our Ministerium raised over \$4,100 combined! Let's continue to be the leading church in money raised and walkers participating to fight world hunger. Details will follow for dessert and water donations. Online donations can be made at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/st-pauls-ucc-amity>



SAVE THE DATE

Our Facilities Committee is having a **Fall Clean-up Day** on **Saturday, October 29**. Painting, pruning, trimming, scrubbing, and more. They're still working on the details, but the date has been set. It will be a fun day to spruce up our buildings and grounds and share in fellowship. Lunch will be served! There is a sign-up sheet in the Library.



TURKEY SUPPER!

Turkey Supper Sign-Up Sheets are in the Library today! The big day for the return of the Turkey Supper is November 5. Please let us know if you will be able to help at this great event or for any of the Prep days starting October 31. Since it has been two years since we had the full event, we are excited to welcome new faces and we also need to know if our routine helpers will be back. Call (610.689.4154) or email (mmrdbr@aol.com) Marianne Reinert with questions, and she will be able to direct you to the team leaders for each department.

Did you have a great year for bell peppers or parsley in your garden? If you have extras to donate to the turkey supper, please tell Harriet or Marianne, so we can adjust our ordering and save that expense. Thanks!

Flyers to advertise the Turkey Supper are available in the Library. If you can post it at your work or in your community, please take some.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Along with a turkey supper comes a White Elephant Sale! Donations will be accepted in the Social Room (downstairs) beginning Monday October 31 through Wednesday, November 2 from 8 to Noon. The sale begins Friday, November 4 from 8-4 and continues on Saturday, November 5 beginning at 8 AM. If you have any questions contact Nancy Everhart.

GULDIN TRUST

Scholarship Applications - Are you an active member of St. Paul's who is currently attending college or pursuing another form of education? If so, you are eligible to apply for a scholarship through the Guldin Trust. Copies of the requirements and applications can be found in the church office or on our website. Applications are due by November 17.



THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

Monetary donations to help at least 10 families in the DB School District with gift cards for a Thanksgiving meal are being collected by the Missions Committee. Place your donation in an envelope labeled "Thanksgiving" or note this on your check.

CHRISTMAS WISH TREE



Gift cards will be given to the families again this year. Our goal is to provide \$75 in gift cards for 50 students in the DB School District. Monetary donations to the Wish Tree program can be placed in the offering plate on Sundays or mailed to the church. Please note "Christmas Wish Tree" in the memo line of the check or on the envelope if donating cash.

Thank you once again for supporting the Christmas Wish Tree Program. Sara Trejo is heading up the program this year and can be reached at [484.644.5417](tel:484.644.5417) with further questions.

BOOTCAMP

Tuesday evenings from 6:15 - 7:00 PM in the Gym beginning November 1. Join Steph Grace, certified personal trainer for a full body workout class for all fitness levels. \$10 per class. \$5 for kids 13 and under. Go to www.stephgracefitness.com for more information.

UMBRELLA DONATIONS

Caring Closet through the DB Schools is asking for umbrellas (new or used, but usable). These umbrellas will be given to walking students when they do not have an umbrella on a rainy day.

