

**W**elcome! Whether you are worshipping with us in-person or virtually, we pray that you and your family are safe and healthy.



## **S**erving Today

Scripture Reader: Judy Leister

Greeters: Doug & Marianne Reinert

Acolyte: Madison Fleischman

Tech: Kelly Werth

## **L**ast Sunday

Attendance: 135

Virtual worship viewings: 57 (as of 10/19)

Giving: \$3554

## BIRTHDAYS ~ this week

**October 22:** Rich Zuber

**October 27:** Anna Miller

**October 28:** Beverly Breitenstein

## ANNIVERSARIES ~ this week

**October 22:** Vernon & Valerie Keller, Hap & Heidi Pennypacker,  
Kevin & Kim Albiser

**October 27:** Mark & Nadine Hummel

## **Next Sunday:**

*Reformation Sunday*

Message:

**Jesus and Moses**

Texts:

*Psalm 90:1-17, Deuteronomy 34:1-12,  
Matthew 22:34-46\**

*\*next Sunday's sermon text*

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## St. Paul's United Church of Christ

Amityville, Pennsylvania

**October 22, 2023**

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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.



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Amityville, Pennsylvania

October 22, 2023

9:45 A.M.

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

\* = Those who are able may stand

Prelude *Verdant Meadows* -G. F. Handel  
*All Creatures of Our God and King* -Sewell

Choral Prompt *Great Are You, O Lord*

\* Processional Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy* Hymnal #3

\* Greeting The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
Let us share signs of Christ's peace with one another.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Introit *You Are My God* Hymnal #40

\* The Solemn Declaration (Psalm 99:9) sung response: **Amen!**

\* Call to Worship —from Psalm 99:1-5

The LORD reigns,  
let the nations tremble;  
**He sits enthroned between the cherubim,  
let the earth shake.**  
Great is the LORD in Zion;  
he is exalted over all the nations.  
**Let them praise your great and awesome name  
—he is holy.**  
The King is mighty, he loves justice  
—you have established equity;  
**In Jacob you have done  
what is just and right.**  
Exalt the LORD our God  
and worship at his footstool;  
**Hallelujah!  
The LORD is holy!**

\* Call to Confession and Silent Prayer —based on Matthew 22:16

\* Prayer of Confession (in unison) —based on Matthew 22:15-22

**What a debt we owe to you, O God.  
You have given us all things in Christ  
and yet we withhold from you  
the honor and glory that are yours.  
Instead, we pay tribute to empire,  
plot to entrap the innocent,  
mock your truth with empty praise,  
and put your patience to the test.  
Forgive us, O God, and by your grace  
restore in us the image of your face;  
through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

\* Declaration of Forgiveness —based on Psalm 96:11-12

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice!  
Let the sea roar with laughter, the fields shout in celebration,  
and the forests sing with joy: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.  
**Thanks be to God!**

\* Affirmation *The Apostle's Creed* (inside hymnal cover)

Prayer of the Day —based on Matthew 22:15-22

Choir Anthem *Here In This Place* -Mock

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings *Matthew 22:15-22, Exodus 33:12-23*

Sermon *Moses Sees the Glory of God*

\* Responsive Hymn *We Bow Down* Hymnal #154

Prayers of the People response: *Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Invitation to the Offering —based on Matthew 22:21

\* Doxology Hymnal #815

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication —based on Psalm 96:6-8

\* Recessional Hymn *How Great Thou Art* Hymnal #147

\* Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude *God of Glory* -Scott

## SERMON TEXT

Exodus 33:12-23

<sup>12</sup> Moses said to the LORD, “You have been telling me, ‘Lead these people,’” but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, ‘I know you by name and you have found favor with me.’ <sup>13</sup> If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people.”

<sup>14</sup> The LORD replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

<sup>15</sup> Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. <sup>16</sup> How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?”

<sup>17</sup> And the LORD said to Moses, “I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name.”

<sup>18</sup> Then Moses said, “Now show me your glory.”

<sup>19</sup> And the LORD said, “I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. <sup>20</sup> But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live.”

<sup>21</sup> Then the LORD said, “There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. <sup>22</sup> When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen.”

## SCOUTS SPAGHETTI SUPPER

**S**aturday, October 28 - A bit earlier than usual this year. Please support Troop 597. The supper is from 4 - 7 PM in Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$5 per child for eat-in served by our scouts or take-out. There is an additional Bake Sale with lots of goodies.



## CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

**N**ext meeting is November 14! We will meet at 1 PM. Bring a game and a friend!

## ST. PAUL'S ACTIVITIES—this week

Sunday 10/22	Adult Sunday School	8:30 AM
	Worship & Sunday School	9:45 AM
	Confirmation	10:45 AM
	Wedding Blessing	2:30 PM
Monday 10/23	Cub Scout Girl Group	6:00 PM
	PRC	6:00 PM
	Boy Scouts	6:45 PM
Tuesday 10/24	Steph Grace Bootcamp	6:15 PM
	Narcotics Anonymous	7:00 PM
	Women's Bible Study	7:00 PM
Wednesday 10/25	Cub Scouts	6:00 PM
	Missions	6:30 PM
	Daisy Troop 1689	6:30 PM
	Youth Group 5-12	7:00 PM
	Choir	7:00 PM
Thursday 10/26	PUP Committee	6:30 PM
Friday 10/27	Amity Chess Club	7:00 PM
	Spaghetti Dinner Set-Up	
Saturday 10/28	Cub Scout Hoagie Making	7:45 AM
	Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner	4:00 PM

## GULDIN TRUST HIGHER EDUCATION

**S**cholarship applications are available in the church office or on the website [www.stpaulsuccamity.org](http://www.stpaulsuccamity.org). If you are an active member of St. Paul's who is currently attending college or pursuing another form of education you are eligible to apply for a scholarship through the Guldin Trust. Applications are accepted through November 19.

## THANKSGIVING GIFT CARDS

**T**he Missions Committee is providing grocery store gift cards for needy families in the Daniel Boone School District. The gift card allows the families to purchase the things they need for their celebration. Won't you help our church support folks in our area. Place your donation in an envelope and mark it "Thanksgiving." There are envelopes available where the greeters are. Your gift will be a blessing. Contributions will be accepted through November 5.

## TURKEY SUPPER SCHEDULE OF CHORES

**EVERYDAY** Monday to Sunday - need helpers for dishwashing, evening clean-up and mopping, laundry (take home towels, cloths, aprons in pm/return in am), help with trash, recycling, compost removal

**Monday Morning** (9 AM) Prep onion/celery. Pick-up turkey & refrigerate safely.

**Tuesday Morning** (8 AM) Roast turkey. Pie dough crumbs, other small jobs.

**Tuesday Evening** Debone turkey, broth work. Prep for Wednesday turkey roasting.

**Wednesday Morning** (8 AM) - roast turkey. 9 AM sweet crumbs, peel/chop apples, prepare mincemeat, start some crusts, clean and chop produce, slice cooled turkey.

**Wednesday Evening** Debone turkey, broth work, prep for Thursday bone/broth cooking, chop produce (if needed). Youth group prep jobs.

**Thursday Morning** (8 AM) Slice turkey, cook and pick bones, cut small parts for soup, make mince crusts/tops/pies, make other crusts, make pepper cabbage, chop produce.

**Thursday Afternoon** Make soup for sale and pack, bake some shoo-flies, make more crusts, brown crumbs for cherry, bake crusts.

**Thursday Evening** Package cooled soup & take downstairs.

**Friday Morning** (8 AM) Bake shoo-flies, make crusts, apple pies, prep more meat for soup/gravy, slice more meat if needed, break bread for filling, any produce left?

**Friday Afternoon** Finish apple pies, cherry pies, start pumpkin pies, make soup to serve, sauté veggies for filling.

**Friday Evening** Continue pie baking, prep for coconut pies, prep for filling, grease pans, arrange tables/chairs in dining room, set-up take-out

**Saturday 6 AM - 7 AM** Filling, coconut cream pies.

**Saturday 9 AM** Set up dining room, move items to bake table and take-out areas.

**Saturday 12 Noon** Start heating items in kitchen and take-out, start coffee, prep steam tables and serving areas.

**Saturday 2 - 7** Serve (even though the signs say serving at 3, we hope to start seating people at 2:30, so the **servicing teams need to be in place by 2 PM**), dishwashers arrive by 3

**Saturday 6:30 PM** Need NEW crews to package leftovers, sell leftovers, CLEAN-UP, put away, and prep for Sunday service.

## TURKEY SUPPER SCHEDULE OF CHORES cont'd

**Sunday AM** Sell leftovers (new helpers are great here, too), take tablecloths to wash

**Monday** Organize and finish cleaning kitchen, walk-in, fridge/freezers, closets.

## TURKEY SUPPER

Saturday, November 4  
Serving from 3 PM until sold out or 7 PM

Dine-In or Take-Out  
Adults \$15 / Children 12 and Younger  
\$8

Soup, Pie & Coffee Served  
Turkey & Side Dishes Buffet



## WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

**D**onations will be accepted October 30, October 31, and November 1 in the Social Room (downstairs) from 8 to Noon. NO electronics, computers, printers, etc. Canning creations are a big hit, so bring those homemade pickles chow chows, jams and jellies. The White Elephant Sale will be Friday, November 3 from 8 to 4 and Saturday, November 4 beginning at 8 AM.

## CHRISTMAS WISH TREE

**I**t's that time of the year again to launch the Christmas Wish Tree program. This year we will be collecting monetary donations that will be used to acquire gift cards for the families in need in the Daniel Boone School District. The gift cards will be given to the families to provide financial assistance for the purchase of Christmas gifts for the children in the family. This year we plan on helping 60 students in grades K-4.

Donations 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 an envelope of donating cash. Thank You for once again supporting the Christmas Wish Tree program. For any concerns, please contact Sara Trejo at [484.644.5417](tel:484.644.5417). Contributions must be received by November 19.

