

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

Serving Today

Scripture Reader: Tess Ulrich

Greeters: Peggy Maurey

Acolyte: Danny Spotts

Last Sunday In-person Attendance: 105

BIRTHDAYS ~ this week

October 24: Mat Bolles, Oakley Emery

October 27: Anna Miller

October 28: Beverly Breitenstein

October 29: Nicole Wilson, Grace Kulakowsky

October 30: Tanya Weller, Rachel Waxler

ANNIVERSARIES ~ this week

October 27: Barry & Mary Founds

October 28: Mark & Nadine Hummel

October 30: Brett & Beth Krause

Next Sunday:

Reformation Sunday

Message: *Love God and Love Your Neighbor*

Texts: *Psalms 146, Hebrews 9:11-14, Mark 12:28-34**

** next Sunday's sermon text*

For the Safety of All, we request those who are not fully vaccinated or are at risk to wear a mask when inside our facility. Children over the age of 2 are required to wear a mask. Children 12 and older who are fully vaccinated are not required to wear a mask.



St. Paul's UCC, Amityville

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October 24, 2021

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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 24, 2021

9:30 A.M.

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

* = Those who are able may stand

Prelude *Near to the Heart of God* - McAfee/Smith
Fanfare - Purcell

* Processional Hymn *Open My Eyes That I May See* Hymnal #563

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

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Open Our Eyes* (v.1) Hymnal #633

Children's Message and dismissal to Sunday School

* The Solemn Declaration (from Mark 10:48) sung response: **Amen!**

* Call to — based on Psalm 34:1-4, 7

I will bless the Lord at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.
**My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
let the humble hear and be glad.**
O magnify the Lord with me.
Let us exalt God's name together!
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;
He delivered me from all my fears.
**The angel of the Lord
encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.**

* Call to Confession and Silent Prayer

* Prayer of Confession (in unison) —based on Job 42:3; Psalm 34:2; Mark 10:46-48

**Merciful God, we have not been humble.
We have discouraged others from seeking you.
We have not sought your wisdom.
Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you.
Help us to celebrate when others seek after you.
Give us the light of your wisdom and ways,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon —based on Psalm 34:6

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

Prayer of the Day —based on Psalm 34:4-8

Anthem *Here I Am Lord, Use Me* -Harris

Prayer for Illumination —based on Job 42:5

Scripture Readings *Hebrews 7:23-28, Mark 10:46-52*

Sermon *Have Mercy on Me!*

* Responsive Hymn *Jesus, Have Mercy!*
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1. **“Jesus, have mercy! Help, Son of David!”
So Bartimaeus called to the Lord.
Filled with great faith, he knew as he waited:
Christ was his hope for vision restored.**
2. **Jesus, have mercy! May we see clearly
You gave a gift we cannot repay.
You had it all, but loving us dearly,
Even your life, Lord, you gave away.**
3. **Jesus, have mercy when we're uncertain,
Hiding our talents high on our shelves.
As we've been blessed, may we be an offering –
Healing your world by giving ourselves**

Prayers of the Prayers of the People *God of mercy; hear our prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Invitation to the Offering

* Doxology Hymnal #815

* Prayer of Dedication

* Recessional Hymn *Amazing Grace* Hymnal #343

* Benediction and Threefold Amen

Postlude *Trumpet Tune* -Manfredini