



koinonia {koy-nohn-ee'-ah}
(n): community, communion, fellowship
(v): to share, to contribute, to be one

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2024 | 9:00am SERVICE

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Scripture Lessons: Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

Sermon: *Small Things, Big Faithfulness*

Rev. Darren Brandon

TODAY'S SONGS

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Give Me Jesus

Before You I Kneel

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Worship Team

Lay Reader: Melody Medley

Communion Servers:

Greg & Jessica Bernard

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

John 6:1-21

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they[b] sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

YOU MAY GIVE YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS by placing them in the offering plates as they are passed. Baskets are on the front pews as you come up for communion and on the table by the cross for our Good Samaritan Fund.

CONNECTION CARDS may be placed in the offering plates or fill out an online card using the Flowcode to the right.



LAY READER SCHEDULE

August 4: Psalm 133 – Julie Roberts
August 11: Psalm 1 – Ann Curtis
August 18: Psalm 111 – Ruth Ann Whitehouse
August 25: Psalm 84 – Josephine Dock

CHILDREN

CHILDCARE is available for infants through pre-k from 8:45am-12:15pm in room 200.

All children are invited to participate in worship by choosing worship materials from the Children's Worship Cart located in the Narthex.

TO ADULTS WITH KIDS: Relax! God put the wiggle in children, and you don't need to suppress it in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it might be easier for your kids to see and hear. If you need to leave the service at any point, feel free to do so - but please come back! We want you and your kids to feel welcome and cherished.

TO OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH: the presence of children is a gift and a reminder that our faith is alive! Please welcome our kids and give a smile of encouragement to their adults.

THIS WEEK: JULY 28–AUGUST 3, 2024

TODAY

8:30am Coffee & Donuts (Common Cup)
9:00am Worship - KOINONIA (Gym)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship - Traditional
(Sanctuary)
12:00pm Youth Hangout (Common Cup)
8:00pm AA Meeting (100)

MONDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
5:30pm AA Meeting (100)
6:30pm Children's Team Meeting (Parlor)

TUESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
7:00pm AA Meeting (100)
7:00pm Scouts (Gym)
7:30pm DBSA (110, 113)

WEDNESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm

THURSDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
6:00pm AA Meeting (111)
7:00pm Survive & Thrive Team Meeting
(McAdams)

FRIDAY

Office Closed

SATURDAY

10:00am AA Meeting (100)
8:00pm AA Meeting (100)

SAVE THE DATE: WESLEY NIGHT RESUMES SEPTEMBER 11

Dinner | 6-7pm | McAdams Hall |
Music Milestones (Ages 3-K) | 6-6:30pm | Room 306
Open Gym and Homework Help for 1st-6th Grade |
6-6:30pm | Gym
Youth Jam and Hangout | 6:30-8pm | Youth Center
Joyful Song Choir (1st-3rd Grade) | 7-8pm | Room 306
Wesleyan Choir (4th-6th Grade) | 7-8pm | Room 302
Adult Study | 7-8pm | McAdams Hall
Bells of St. Paul Handbell Choir | 8-9pm | Room 303

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Youth Afternoon at the Park – July 28

Youth Trip to Holiday World – August 4

Mobile Resource Center - August 10

Back to School Bash - August 11

SPAMS Bingo and Soup - August 22

Survive and Thrive Mental Health Forum - August 24

Be sure to check the Tower and www.stpaulchurchky.org for more info on these and other summer events still to be announced.

My thoughts:

Next Week in Worship

Koinonia 9:00am – Gym | Traditional 11:00am – Sanctuary

Livestream at 11:00am on Facebook

Sermon | Rev. Darren Brandon

Scriptures for the Week: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Ephesians 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

Lay Reader: Julie Roberts – Psalm 133

Check the St. Paul Website (stpaulchurchky.org) for more information on these and other activities or scan the QR code to the right for quick links to lots of Next Week in Worship



Prayer requests can be sent to prayer@stpaulchurchky.org.

Sign up for the St. Paul weekly email and Tower newsletter at the website (bottom of homepage) or by emailing info@stpaulchurchky.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Group - Every Other Monday at 7:00pm Common Cup | August 5 & 19 | The St. Paul Men's group invites participants to walk alongside one another in the Christian faith. The group is open to all men.

Mobile Resource Center | Saturday, August 10, 11:15am-1:00pm | It takes a minimum of 20 volunteers to cover our needs. You can sign up to volunteer here: stpaulchurchky.org/mobile-resource-center/

Blessing of the Backpacks | August 11 in both worship services | Students, teachers, administrators, and others who work in education: please bring your backpacks or bookbags and place them at the front of the worship space so we can bless them during the service. Thank you for allowing us to pray for you as you begin another year of school!

Back to School Bash | On August 11 from 5:00-8:00pm, gather with other families for bouncies, food, fun, and games as we kick off our fall semester of Children and Youth activities. Enjoy time together as we learn about all the great activities and programs we will be offering in the fall. For more info check our our website: stpaulchurchky.org

United Women in Faith | Tuesday, August 13, 10:00am, Room 113 | We will begin by sharing what we read during July for the United Women in Faith Reading Program. Our program will be the Bible study "Welcome Home," an invitation to dwell in the House of God. Everyone is welcome.

SPAMS Bingo & Lunch | Thursday, August 22 - McAdams Hall | Join the SPAMS for lunch and another fun afternoon of Bingo and prizes! Rumor has it that Uncle Spam is slated to make a return. Please sign up at the Information Center by Monday, August 19.

Save the Date: Survive and Thrive Mental Health Workshop | Saturday, August 24, 9am-Noon | Survive and Thrive will feature mental health experts discussing how to recognize mental illness, find resources to help, and live with hope. Free event, but registration is requested. Learn more and register here: <https://www.stpaulchurchky.org/survive-and-thrive/>

SERVE

Prayer Beading Group | Sunday, August 11, 12:00pm, Common Cup | Prayer beads are given to those who are in the hospital or grieving. They are also given to those who have joined St. Paul. No experience necessary!

Acolyte Training | August 25, 5:00-7:00pm | 4th-6th graders are invited to Acolyte Training! We will discuss the history and duties of acolytes, and each child will try on robes and practice serving. Then we will enjoy pizza and gaga ball! Current acolytes are encouraged to attend for a refresher training and to offer their help.

Habitat Methodist Build | Habitat for Humanity is planning a "Methodist Build" for October. This home will be the 15th Habitat for Humanity house St. Paul has participated in building. St. Paul will partner with St. Matthews UMC and other United Methodist churches. Our first step is to raise our share of the cost of construction. Please consider a generous contribution. Raise the Roof dates are October 10-12. The partner family-Innocent, Uwimana, and their six children-are natives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo by way of a Refugee Camp in Uganda.

Book Donations Needed | In response to a survey of the needs of those at the Open Door Community Ministry, the St. Paul Resource Center is sponsoring a Little Library at Fourth Ave. UMC. We continue to need donations of books, including novels, nonfiction, puzzle books, adult coloring books, etc. A donation bin is available in the elevator lobby.

SUNDAY MORNING LEARNING SESSIONS

For some weeks now, you've been seeing an announcement on sessions to discuss the three conferences that happened this year: General Conference, Annual Conference, and the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference. Beginning August 4 at 10:15-10:45am in McAdams Hall (120), we'll gather to learn more about the decisions made, the experience of our delegates, and new directions for the United Methodist Church. We anticipate meeting for several Sundays.

SMALL GROUP & SUNDAY SCHOOL SURVEY

As we look toward the fall when church activities ramp up, we are interested in learning more about what types of small group or Sunday school opportunities our congregation would be interested in. Small groups and classes range from monthly special interest groups to weekly Bible-based Sunday school classes. Please take a few moments to fill out this survey: stpaulchurchky.org/small-groups-sunday-school-survey/ Please complete the survey by July 31.

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