

Sunday, August 16 @ 10AM

Bring a lawn chair, and join us under the blue summer sky to worship our gracious God! Blessing of backpacks and distributing “clothe-a-kid” gifts. Collecting school supplies for Luther Memorial School in Cleveland. Hot dogs for lunch following (free). **Invite a friend!**



Worship with St. Paul from your home *LIVE* on Sunday mornings, Or anytime throughout the week!

Get up on Sunday morning, get ready for church and join us on your computer, tablet, smartphone, or TV. To join us on TV use Roku, Amazon Firestick, Google Chrome TV, or other streaming device to go to YouTube, and once you're on YouTube, go to our channel, St. Paul Lutheran Amherst Ohio. You may see both the 8:30 AM and 10 AM worship services *live* on Sunday mornings. Recordings of the 8:30AM worship services remain on-line after the livestream for viewing anytime.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
8/9 Worship 8:30 AM Holy Communion 10 AM 8/11 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM	8/16 Holy Communion 8:30 AM Outdoor Worship & Lunch 11 AM 8/18 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Board of Directors 6:30 PM Women's Ministry 7 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Music Director	Rick Fortney
Elders	Marty Offineer, Jeff Krupp (E) Bruce McGlothlin (L)
Readers	Molly McGlothlin (E) Laurie Beran (L)
Acolytes	Katie Steindl (L)
Greeters	Ron & Cindy Klein (E) Sally Krause (L)
Sound	Priscilla Harden (E) Bruce McGlothlin (L)
Altar Guild	Lynn Jiovanazzo, Judy Starbuck
Head Usher	Dan Koch
Ushers	Harold Gibson, Jeff Krupp, Jeff Phan, Steve Warnock (E) Laurie Beran, Deby Lasko (L)

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HALLELUJAH!

Celebrate what's *RIGHT* in the world



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Sunday, August 9, 2020

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP: . "Hallelujah! Celebrate what's *RIGHT* in the world." The pandemic, economy, the uncertainty, fear, and unrest cause us to focus on the negative things. Yet, in spite of troubles, God's goodness is all around, if only we have the eyes to see it. Today we praise God that He is always working for our good, even through troubled times.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Heavenly Father, as I worship You today, lift up my eyes to You. Strengthen my faith in You, because my help comes from You alone. Reassure me that I am never alone, for You know me inside and out, you even know every word I speak before they are on my tongue. Your love for me is so great! Amen.

Whether this is your first time at St. Paul, or you're a "regular," we hope you see that our welcome mat is out for you. If you're a guest with us for the first time, we hope you'll find today's experience helpful to you, and you are invited back any Sunday at 8:30 AM or 10:00 AM.

Ushers are standing by to assist you in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and to our nursery.

Kids' Activity Bags are filled with crayons and coloring booklets, and other quiet things to keep kids' attention. They are in the back of the worship center, or see an usher for these.

Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion are encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement on the following page regarding Communion reception.

Join the Tech Team Our tech team is growing! With the addition of making our service available LIVE on the internet each Sunday, we are need of teams of two for each service. No experience necessary! You will be trained with what you need to know. We currently have four people serving. If you are interested in being trained and put into the tech rotation, please contact Judy at the church office!

We are looking for some volunteers to hand out Popsicles at our tent at Walking on Wednesdays and reconnect with our community! The dates are August 12th and September 9th from 4-7:30 PM. Interested? Call the church office!

Fall is coming fast and it is time to prepare the church grounds for the winter season. Saturday, September 12, 2020 at 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM we will need helping hands to trim bushes, and clean out gutters. No matter your age or ability to move about there will be small and large tasks that can be aligned to your God given abilities. Bring hedge trimmers, loppers, hand cutters, gloves, rakes, and wheel barrels if you have them. Leaf blowers can be used to speed up gutter cleaning and ladders will be appreciated for the gutters on the church proper. Teenagers on up are welcome to assist. If it is warm and due to COVID-19 make sure to bring your own water bottle, hat, gloves and mask.



Today is Rick Fortney's last Sunday with us at St. Paul. We thank Rick for his nearly two years of leadership in enhancing our worship with praise, and we wish Rick and Joan Fortney God's richest blessings in this new opportunity to serve Him with their lives and talents.



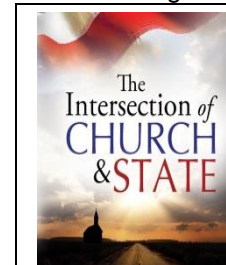
Your Prayers are Important and Powerful!

Prayer can do what government cannot, what education cannot, what military might cannot, and what planning committees cannot. All are important, but powerless in comparison to prayer.

Prayer can move mountains. Prayer can change human hearts, families, neighborhoods, cities, and nations. It is the ultimate source of power, because it is the power of Almighty God. And prayer is available to even the humblest Christian.

PLEASE PRAY THIS WEEK FOR:

- Please pray for St. Paul's Preschool, and all schools, colleges, teachers, students, and administrators. Pray that learning may happen in a safe way, without conflict, or anxiousness.
- Pray for Jeffrey and Lindsey Trottier who were married yesterday, that God bless their marriage with many years, joy, and love.
- Pray for Candy Fike who will have surgery soon.
- Pray for Cheryl Street, Richard (Edna Klensz's brother), Pam Savoy (friend of Karen Anderson), Naomi Yates, and Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock), who are battling cancer.
- Pray for Gladys Strauss in hospice care.
- Continued prayers for Eleanor Northeim, Emma Jenkins, Charles Waryu, Jack Green, Don Lamoreaux, Lois Manes, Gladys Strauss, Ruth Pasta, Marilyn Green, Wade Hubbard, Andy Lasko, Joanne Werner, Ruth Murdy, who have chronic illnesses, some who are shut-in as a result.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Megan McLaughlin, Nick Street, Tim Street, Frank Becker-Balcik, Marilyn Green, Robert Pijor.
- Pray for our country, that we work together on preventing the spread of covid19, caring for those who are ill, and helping those who have lost loved ones.



How do we live as Christians in the United States in this time of unrest, with an election coming soon? This study and discussion suggests that your faith *intersects* with society around you instead of a "wall between Church and State." Videos show expert commentary from academics, church and civic leaders, agency professionals and others. Join us Tuesday mornings at 10AM at St. Paul, with social distancing.