

**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
9/20 Holy Communion 8:30 AM Worship 10 AM 9/22 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM	9/27 Worship 8:30 AM Holy Communion 10 AM 9/29 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor Rev. Paul Werner
Organist Emily Marty
Elders Chuck Draga, John Kirschner (E) Darren Conley, Dave Bender, Bob Steindl (L)
Readers Marty Offineer (E) James Steindl (L)
Acolytes Gwen Krupp (E) Ruari Dever (L)
Greeters Harold & Debbie Gibson (E) Karen Anderson (L)
Sound Bruce McGlothlin (E) Ann Conley (L)
Altar Guild Lynn Jiovanazzo, Judy Starbuck
Head Usher Dan Koch
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Sunday, September 20, 2020

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP: *DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE!* It is easy for life to slip away when it is lived for the wrong purpose. In two weeks, on Sunday, October 4th, we will begin 40 days of discovering the purpose of your life, as we all participate in *"What On Earth Am I here For?"* Today we prepare for this spiritual journey as we evaluate our lives to see if we are fulfilling the purpose God intends for you.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP O Almighty God, send to me, I pray, Your spirit of grace as I draw near to You in worship. Keep me from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, so that I may hear Your Word, live by Your truth, and love You with my whole heart; through Jesus Christ my Lord. 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.

Altar Flowers given to the glory of God by: Kuno & Christa celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary. God's blessings to Kuno & Christa.

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!

St. Paul Lutheran Preschool are selling a fundraiser calendar for the month of October. Cost is \$15.00. We have many great prizes that were all donated. Calendars will be sold after services or in the church office. Due COVID 19 this year many parents have decided to keep their kids home. Leaving the preschool with a loss in students and an increase in expenses, creating a season of distress for our Preschool. Please support this great children's ministry of St. Paul.

Thank you to everyone who helped clean up the church grounds on Saturday, September 12, 2020!!



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:

- Pray for Lindsey and Jeffrey Trotter, on the birth of their son, Colt.
- Please pray for St. Paul's Preschool as the covid19 pandemic is causing a loss in students and an increase in expenses, creating a season of distress for our Preschool.
- Pray for Cheryl Street, Sherry (Kevin Starbuck's mother-in-law), Richard (Edna Klenz's brother), Pam Savoy (friend of Karen Anderson), Naomi Yates, Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock), Cindy Cole (cousin of Laurie Beran), a friend of Chuck Draga's, and Michelle (friend of Beth Albrecht) who are battling cancer.
- Continued prayers for Eleanor Northeim, Emma Jenkins, Charles Waryu, Jack Green, Don Lamoreaux, Lois Manes, 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: Ron Klein, Carson Blackburn, Fred Erbe, Margaret Uhrick, Terri Gerber, Samuel Krause, Brianna Krieg, Chad Moss, Regina Shuster, Jill Card, Camille Coleman

"Seasoned Saints," the Tuesday morning Bible Study, is studying our neighbors' faiths. Join us this Tuesday, September 22nd, at 10AM to learn about the Jehovah's Witnesses, and Tuesday, Sept 29th we take up the Masonic Lodge. Join us in the sanctuary.

When Covid19 Concerns Keep You Away – Many people cannot worship on Sundays with others now due to concerns about the covid19 virus. St. Paul offers worship on-line. Covid safe private Communion with Pastor Paul is also available. Pastor is scheduling 20 minute private Communion services for just you/your family and Pastor using covid protocol. Call the church office to get an appointment: (440) 988-4157

Please Complete a Communication Card No matter whether this is your first time at St. Paul or you're a seasoned veteran around here, please fill out a Communication Card and place it in an offering plate at the sanctuary door. You'll find Communication Cards at the doors as you enter and in each pew. Thanks!

DO I MATTER?
DOES GOD KNOW WHO I AM?

**WHAT ON EARTH
AM I HERE FOR?**



A MOVEMENT IS COMING October 4 – November 22

**Much more than a sermon series. It's a 6-week experience
that will change your life!**

“What On Earth Am I Here For?” Real meaning and significance comes from understanding and fulfilling God's purposes for putting us on earth.

Check out the Information Center in the church lobby / narthex.

- **Sunday Sermon Messages** go with your personal daily reading and small group discussions.
- **Every-Week Small Group Discussion** – in person or via Zoom. **Sign Up** on google or at the Information Center in narthex. Get a participant discussion guide.
- **Daily Readings of Book “What On Earth Am I Here For?”** – Paperback, Kindle, and audio versions available. Books available next Sunday, Sept 27.
- **Optional Online Videos Each Day**
- **INVITE a neighbor, relative, friend, or co-worker to go through it with you!**
- **Pray!** Sign up to pray for one of the 42 days in the 6 week experience. Next Sunday, September 27th, **PRAYER WALK** on church grounds from 9:30 – 10am.

This is a *TRANSFORMATIONAL* experience!