



GIVE THANKS TO
THE LORD, FOR
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HIS LOVE ENDURES
FOREVER.

PSALM 136:1

ST. PAUL 
LUTHERAN
CHURCH & PRESCHOOL
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

Welcome to our Guests!

We're glad you're here! 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.

Nursery is available for children ages 3 and under. An usher will be happy to direct you to our Nursery where parents may care for infants, and rambunctious toddlers will find a place to be ... themselves.

Kids' Church will resume in September in the 10AM Worship Service.

Kids' Activities to keep little ones busy during the worship service – There are cloth bags filled with crayons and coloring booklets, and other quiet things to keep kids' attention. They are in the back of the worship center hanging on a small coat rack.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP What ever happened to the boogie-woogie, 45 rpm records, pet rocks, and floppy discs? It doesn't take too long and we realize that nothing – no empire, no person, no family – lasts forever in this world. With one very huge exception, namely, God. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is, was, and forever shall be! He does not change. His love has been demonstrated throughout the centuries. And His love endures forever! Today we join the writer of Psalm 136 who proclaims, **"Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever."** Psalm 136:1

WE WELCOME TODAY Pastor Ron Young who is our guest speaker. He has served several congregations as pastor, and retired after serving at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Westlake. Pastor Young lives in North Ridgeville, and we are glad to have him share with us a sermon message entitled, "Forever!"

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP My heavenly gracious Father, bless my worship this day that I may receive Your Word in my heart and mind, delight in the forgiveness of all my sins, and go to joyfully live for You in my words and deeds. I praise You that Your love endures forever! Amen.

Thank You to everyone who participated in, donated to, prayed for, or served at Summer J.A.M. We had an opportunity to share God's Word and His love with children and their families: 91, 100, and 74 over the 3 weeks of events. Keep praying for the children and families that they grow closer to Jesus and connect regularly with a local Christian Church.

You can easily invite your new neighbor to St. Paul with this month's gift basket that says *"welcome to the neighborhood."* It's full of Summer decorations, snack foods, community information, and an invitation to join us at St. Paul. New neighbors love these gifts! All you have to do to give a basket to your new neighbor is fill out the form by the gift basket in the narthex and stuff it in the box.

Unique Opportunity to Serve God – Would you like to help your church observe the 150th Anniversary of gospel ministry to the people of this community? In two years, we will celebrate this huge blessing from God, and now is the time for us to begin the planning. If you would like to participate in our 150th Anniversary Committee, please let Pastor Paul know. pastor@stpaulamherst.com.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
8/6 Food Collection Holy Communion 8:30 AM Worship 10 AM	8/13 Worship 8:30 AM Holy Communion 10 AM
8/8 The Parables of Jesus Bible Study 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM	8/15 The Parables of Jesus Bible Study 10 AM Women's Ministry 7 PM
	8/17 Guest Hospitality 1 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor	Rev. Ron Young
Elders	David Bender (E) Ron Fisher, John Schick (L)
Readers	Christine Krupp (E) Bryan Draga (L)
Greeters	Jeff & Sandy Binggeli (E) Ed & Gerri Deidrick (L)
Altar Guild	Ann Conley, Linda Hargreaves
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	John Kirschner (E) Bryan Draga (L)

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Prayer Requests this Week: ***“The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM.”*** Psalm 148:18

- Pray for Sandy Long and her family as they mourn the death of her aunt, Roberta Stanchak who died August 1st.
- Pray for Kat (8-year-old niece of Sandy Long) whose father, Danny, died from brain cancer and she is having a hard time with the loss.
- Pray for Carole Naro as she begins follow-up treatment following surgery to remove cancer.
- Pray for Galen who is going through a difficult time right now due to physical problems that are causing other problems.
- Pray for the Stumpf family from our Preschool, whose twin boys were born prematurely and they remain in the hospital.
- Pray for Wade Hubbard who is now at home to keep gaining strength.
- Pray for Don Lamoreaux who is recovering at home.
- Give thanks to God that Emma Jenkins’ broken bones in her arm are healing, and that the sling has been removed and she is undergoing physical therapy.
- Pray for Edna Klenz for healing of her lungs.
- Pray for Kuno Josupeit who is recovering after a procedure this past week to replace his pace-maker. (Kuno is 96 yrs. Old).
- Pray for Ron Klein to get stronger at home.
- Please pray for Eddy Daniels who has inoperable cancer; Pat who has a brain tumor; Heather, a young mother of 3, who has cancer; Laura Stanley, (Ron Muska’s sister) who has lung cancer; Nelson Paquette (cousin of Laurie Beran) who has pancreatic cancer; Brian Holmes who is in a trial treatment for his leukemia; Summer (Katie Steindl’s godmother) in her long battle with cancer; Sherry (Kevin Starbuck’s mother-in-law); Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock); and pray for Pat Kidder.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux and Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Wade Hubbard, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Eli Bolen, Megan McLaughlin, Nick Street, Tim Street, June Tatum, Debbie Wiersum.
- Thanksgiving to God for His blessings in marriage to Pastor Paul and Sue Werner as they celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary today, August 6th.
- Praise God for His blessings on Summer J.A.M. Many children and families participated, many volunteers served, and many people supported this ministry with their gifts and prayers. Pray that the seeds of God’s love planted may grow into saving faith in Jesus, our Savior.



The Parables of Jesus

Your ability to have peace and hope through life’s difficulties, joy in your relationships with others, and purpose for living are all tied to how much you feed your faith in Jesus. We are offering you an opportunity to grow deeper in faith through learning to understand and apply Jesus’ teachings to your life. You are invited to join us Tuesday mornings at 10 AM for a new series on “The Parables of Jesus.” This series uses “Life Light” Bible study helps. This is a method of looking at the same Bible passage in three different ways: first by yourself through the week; second, in a discussion group on Tuesdays; and third, a presentation by Pastor. Your rewards will be well worth your effort! We ask a free-will offering of \$15 per person for materials. Join us for “The Parables of Jesus” on Tuesdays @ 10 AM, here at St. Paul.

Door Offering for Ugandan Lutheran Church ~ Next Sunday, August 13, there will be an opportunity for you to participate in a special mission project. Several Lutheran pastors in Uganda and the Lutheran Seminary in Jinza, Uganda have requested Lutheran hymnals in the English language, specifically the old red covered *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH). The Lutheran churches in our local area (Ohio District LCMS, North Central Circuit 2) have taken this on as a project and collected the needed 200 hymnals. The shipping cost to Africa, however, is over \$400. Your gift, no matter how small, will help pay for shipping and enable you to participate in this special mission project. Collection plates at the doors marked for “Uganda” will be available next Sunday, August 13th.