



St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

115 Central Drive, Amherst, Ohio 44001

www.stpaulamherst.com (440) 988-4157

Sunday Worship Services: 8:30AM & 10AM

In-Person or Live Stream @ www.stpaulamherst.com

Church/Office: 440-988-4157 Fax: 440-988-5436

E-Mail: churchoffice@stpaulamherst.com Church Website: stpaulamherst.com

Rev. Paul G. Werner, Pastor - Office: (440)988-4157 Cell: (586)201-3302

Morgan Muresan - Preschool Director

Mike Warnock - Director of Worship Technology

Owen Reyda - Director of Music Ministries



Welcome to St. Paul!

We’re glad you’re here! Whether this is your first visit or you’re a St. Paul veteran, we hope you sense our “welcome mat” is out and you’ll consider joining us again soon any Sunday at 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM, right here. Please fill out a white “Communication Card” found in front of you in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate later. And about the offering ... don’t feel obligated to participate in giving because we – and God – are really glad you are here as our guest!

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.

Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion are encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement in this bulletin explaining what Communion reception is all about.

IN TODAY’S WORSHIP: we continue exploring some of the biggest questions that keep many people from considering faith in Christ. The question we discuss today is “*HOW CAN YOU SAY THERE IS ONLY ONE TRUE FAITH?*” In our modern, pluralistic society, the idea that there is only one religious truth is viewed as arrogant, and narrow minded. Surely having multiple paths to the divine is more welcoming and tolerant. After all, the world’s religions are all basically saying the same thing, right? While religious *behaviors* may be similar across all religions, their *beliefs* about the way to be saved are radically different. Today we will explore the claim that Jesus is God, our Creator, and the world’s only Savior.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP Heavenly Father, as I worship this day, strengthen my faith and confidence that Jesus alone is my Savior. Fill me with gratitude and love for Christ. Then move me to speak to those whom I love about Your saving love, that they too may find peace, joy, and eternal life in Jesus alone. Amen

Tuesday Morning Bible Study - Join us Tuesday mornings @ 10AM as we discover God’s loving faithfulness in spite of our human mess-ups and flaws. This week we discover how God worked through Joseph’s 20 years of slavery and prison to save his family and preserve God’s promise to give us our Savior, Jesus. Just come, and try it! You don’t have to be a Bible scholar. Everyone is welcome!

Women’s Bible Study Group - Tuesday Nights @ 7 PM

Women are always invited to the women’s group that meets in the church parsonage every Tuesday night. You’ll make wonderful friends, grow in faith, and engage in caring lively discussion about living everyday as a Christian and woman. We are just beginning a new discussion, “Meant for Good.”

Gift for Your New Neighbor. A new neighbor is receiving a beautiful gift basket thanks to Gerri Deidrick. You can do the same for your new neighbor. No need to bake a pie, just fill out a form by the gift basket in the lobby, put it in the box, and you could be blessing your new neighbor next month. It’s a great way to meet a new neighbor and invite them to church.

**MEDICARE
101**

A Free Seminar for St. Paul Members and Guests
Saturday, October 5, 2024 ~ 11:00AM to 12NOON
Presented by Jeff Allison of HealthMarkets Insurance Agency

This is a Free Informational seminar on Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. No plans or services will be sold. No Pressure. Come to find out more about Medicare and what works best for your needs. Invite friends.

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
9/22 Worship 8:30 Holy Communion / Kids Church 10 AM 9/23 Preschool Chapel 11:45 AM 9/24 Seasoned Saints Bible Study 10 AM Board of Directors 6:30 PM Women’s Ministry 7 PM 9/26 Preschool Chapel 11:45 AM Worker Care Comm 7 PM	9/29 Holy Communion 8:30 AM Holy Communion / Kids Church 10 AM 9/30 Elders Meeting 6:30 PM 10/1 Seasoned Saints Bible Study 10 AM Women’s Ministry 7 PM 10/5 Medicare 101 11 AM

Serving in God’s House:

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Organist	Owen Reyda
Elders	Jeff Krupp (E) John Brabander (L)
Readers	Jan Beko-Nathan (E)
Greeters	Karen Vilagi (E) Ron & Tina Muska
Altar Guild	Donna Kemmerle
Sound	Mike Warnock, David Staylon (E) Tina Muska (L)
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	Dan Streza, Chuck Draga, Danny Kemery, Bob Kemmerle (E)

SERVING

CHALLENGE

In October we are inviting you to go on a 40-day life-changing journey designed to lead to more personal fulfillment than one ever thought possible. We were made to serve. You were made for more than just believing and existing until you die. **Serve like Jesus.**

The opportunity to serve like Jesus will come with a significant cost. It will mean sacrificing, require losing, and be full of challenges. But, despite all the costs, when you serve like Jesus, you will find true fulfillment, joy, happiness, and great reward. **So, will you become a servant of Jesus? Will you follow the Way of Jesus?**

Sunday worship will also help you find the fulfillment of **serving like Jesus!** In place of small groups we will email to all St. Paul people weekly videos and questions to discuss at home.

Please take a Workbook today for you daily reading and daily challenges from October 6 through November 16. Your workbook is a free gift to you, and waiting in the narthex (lobby). The workbook is the practical application for your 40 days of growing in Jesus-like compassion and love for people! We have ordered more workbooks so that you are sure to get yours before October 6th.

Unlike previous 40-Day Challenges we have done at St. Paul, the **Serving Challenge will not offer small groups for you to participate in.** Instead, we will help you grow in 3 Ways:

1. Sunday Sermon Messages from October 6th thru November 10th will tie in with each weekly theme. You can also find them on our YouTube channel at “St. Paul Amherst Ohio.”
2. Videos will be emailed to you every week to watch, learn, and discuss at home or with friends.
3. Your workbook reading and journaling is a key part of your growing in faith! **Your SERVING Challenge workbook is YOUR GO-TO** for your six -week journey.

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

- Pray for the family of Eileen and her family who needs peace and comfort upon her death. Eileen was Phyllis Nabakowski’s best friend of 50 years.
- Pray for Don Lamoreaux who is doing rehab in Mercy Hospital for several weeks.
- Pray for Kuno and Christa Josupeit as he is now in hospice care.
- Pray for Tim Ross, Sheryl Gregg’s brother in hospice care.
- Pray for John Schick to continue his recovery at home after breaking his neck in July.
- Pray for Ron Klein’s to regain his strength.
- Pray for Ron who suffers with intense back pain.
- Pray for Larry Cassidy, brother-in-law of Sandy Long, so that he restores his strength.
- Continued prayers for Aubrey, 12 yrs. old. She has cancer in her eye, finished the radiation treatment in Columbus, and is now back home in North Carolina, where chemotherapy continues.
- Pray for Kevin, nephew of John Brabander, who has cancer.
- Pray for Keri who has pancreatic cancer and is experiencing complications from chemotherapy.
- Pray for Floyd who has cancer in his back and started chemotherapy.
- Pray for Brian Harcula as he has cancer.
- Pray for Nola, a friend of Cyndi Kemery, who has lung cancer.
- Pray for Lorie, Cyndi Kemery’s cousin, who has non-Hodgkins Lymphoma.
- Pray for Paxton Roby with cancer.
- Pray for Chris (sister-in-law of Virginia Warnock).
- Pray for Randy who has bladder and prostate cancer and is starting chemotherapy.
- Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or shut-in: Charles Waryu, Don Lamoreaux, Don Gramer, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Dorothy Barckert, Dale Mack, Phyllis Darakis, Will & Lydia Rice, John Harden, Andy Lasko, Betty Heck, Joanie Fahrney, Ron Klein.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Margaret Uhrik, Terri Gerber, Chad Moss