ST. PAUL

CHURCH & PRESCHOOL 115 Central Drive, Amherst, Ohio 44001 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 Tracie Heuring - Interim Director of Preschool Mike Warnock - Director of Worship Technology Owen Reyda - Director of Music Ministries

Serving in God's House

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Reader	Sandy Long
Greeters	Mike & Debbie Smith
Altar Guild	Karie Coffman
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	John Cartmell, Danny Kemery
Sound	Mike Warnock, Judy Bloom

Easter Flowers - The Altar Guild is looking for donations for the purchase of Easter Flowers this year. There will not be an order form in the bulletin. Make checks payable to "St. Paul Lutheran Church" in the memo line please add "Altar Guild-Easter Flowers" and place it in an envelope with your church envelope number on it. Envelopes may be placed in the offering plate or in the secretary mailbox in the narthex. You are welcome to take flowers after the Easter Sunday service at 11 am. Only change is you will not be preordering a certain flower & you will be able to choose first to come, first serve on what is available. We hope this saves us from having to throw away flowers that no one takes. Thank you!





St. Paul Lutheran Church Wednesday, April 2, 2025 7:00 PM **Welcome Guests**! We're honored that you've chosen to be with us at St. Paul. We hope you'll see that our welcome mat is out to you. Please relax, get to meet others, and experience God.

LOVE Is... Lent is a season that calls us to reflect on the great love that Christ has for us – a love so great that it moves Him to die. We, of course, are not only to reflect <u>on</u> Christ's love, but reflect <u>out</u> His love to the world. As Jesus Himself commands: "Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another" John 13:34.

Love and forgiveness are intimately connected. You will never be able to love someone well if you are not able to forgive them for the times they do not love you well. We should seek, on the one hand, never to lead someone we love into sin while, on the other hand, forgiving others when they tempt us into sin, or sin against us.

TONIGHT'S SERVICE

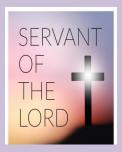
Prelude **Ringing of the Bell / Call to Worship** Welcome & Announcements Greeting One Another With God's Peace Invocation **Opening Sentences** Hymn "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain" LSB 435 **Confessing Our Sinfulness** Assurance of God's Forgiveness WORD & Old Testament Reading GENESIS 32:6-8, 13-21; 33:1-4 New Testament Reading ROMANS 3:9-25 GOD'S WORD Translation Anthem "At The Cross (Love Ran Red)" The Gospel Reading LUKE 23: 20-34 Prayers Lord's Prayer Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God Offertory Hymn "Chief of Sinners Though I Be" LSB 611, vss. 1,2,5 Sermon "LOVE IS FORGIVING" **Benediction** Hymn Silent Prayer



Join us for every Wednesday Eve

service. Wednesday night worship services start at 7PM. A Fellowship Supper is offered before each service, 5:46 – 6:45PM, for a free-will offering. Lent is a season that calls us to reflect on the great love that Christ has for us – a love so great that it moves Him to die. As Jesus Himself comments: **"Just as** *I have loved you, you are also to love one another*" John 13:34. This Lent we will look at ways we can reflect Jesus' love, using Paul's description of what love is from 1 Corinthians 13.

LENTEN DAILY DEVOTIONS - Pick up your Servant of the Lord devotion booklet for Lent in the narthex (lobby) at St. Paul. They are free. You can have these devotions emailed to you every day if you wish. Sign up at <u>www.lhm.org/devotions</u> In Servant of the Lord, we see Jesus as God's Son and our Redeemer. He has made the Heavenly Father known to us. All this Jesus did as God's chosen Servant, sent from heaven to earth to be our King, Savior, and trusted Friend.



Easter Baskets Return the basket by April 13th or sooner with the name of the child attached.

In celebration of our church's 150th anniversary, we are honored to present a special concert by a talented piano trio from Oberlin Conservatory of Music. The program includes works by Beethoven, Bach, Chopin and more. Come enjoy an evening of beautiful music as we celebrate the rich musical tradition of our church. Sunday, April 13th, 7pm here at St. Paul.