Saint Paul's @ the Farm

A United Church of Christ Community
Welcoming you on the 7th Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 a.m. ~ July 27, 2025



Welcoming Saints and Sinners since 1900



Welcome to Saint Paul's! Here we believe this is God's house, and you are welcome. This is home to all who enter. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as we understand God's kingdom, welcoming saints and sinners alike since 1900. We don't all look or act alike, dress alike, and God knows we don't all think alike. We don't all read the Bible the same way. We bring

different questions, and we carry different burdens. Yet, every time we gather, we gather, fellowship, and worship as one big family. In this place, we do Sunday mornings in some pretty traditional ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang and some that may be more modern as well. In our liturgy, our prayers, and our preaching, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world we live in. I hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this day—a word of comfort, a spur to action, and a call to a deeper relationship with God.

If you are new here, before you leave today, please introduce yourself to the pastor, and if you would, fill out a welcome card. Find us on Facebook and check out our website at spuccfarm.org to learn more. Get involved in whatever way you choose. Jump right in. You may never know; you may have just found your church home. As we like to say to everyone who comes through the door, "Welcome Home."

A special note to parents: Come, sit in the front few rows, there's not much interesting about the backs of heads and for our littlest ones, they like to see too. Should you choose, we have a staffed nursery open for newborns to three years of age. Additionally, we offer Children's Church immediately following the "time with our children" for children ages 3 through 2nd grade. We find children to be truly the teachers and leaders of our faith community and welcome them all with open arms.

Finally, if you are visiting and need anything at all, please don't hesitate to ask a neighbor, an usher, the pastor, and know we are glad you are here!

Peace, Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Gathering of the Community

Gathering Music Ravi Evans and Jon Hagan

Chiming of the Hour

Introit "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is" / S. Adams

"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace; where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love.

There is comfort in life's darkest hour, there is light and life; there is help and power in the Spirit, in the Spirit of the Lord."

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo and Sue Overdorf

Invocation

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Time of Centering

"Cantabile" / I. Conely / Sharon Styer

Sharing of the Light

Cato Kazibwe

*Call to Worship (Adapted L. Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, 2025)

Sue Overdorf

Leader: Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember: Keep the faith.

Family: God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.

Leader: When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who

disagree with them, remember:

Family: Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.

Leader: When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love

of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain

firm in God's call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:

Family: Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.

Leader: Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to

persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.

Family: Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive,

All: Come, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

*Hymn of Praise, no. 433

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

Proclaiming the Word

God Moments & Concerns of the Family

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Preparing our Hearts for Prayer

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" / Akers

"There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know that it's the presence of the Lord."

Silent Reflection and Family at Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer (unison):

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our *sins as we forgive those who have **sinned against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**May use name/words most familiar to your understanding of God.

Special Music

"Sweet Hour of Prayer" / Walford and Bradbury Ravi Evans, saxophonist, and Jon Hagan, pianist

Time with Our Children

Coleen Franciscus

Lectionary

Rhonda Newton

*Gospel Lesson: Colossians 2:6-15 (page 900 in your pew Bible)

*Luke 11:1-13 (page 792 in your pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of God for all God's Children.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Lectionary Response

"Gloria Patri" / Trad.

"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen."

Sermon

"The Theology of Snoopy & Woodstock"
Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Responding to the Word

Sermon Response

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" / J. Manley

"Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free; Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea."

Offering

Offertory

"When Peace Like a River" / arr. D,E. Wagner

Sharon Styer

Presentation of Our Gifts

*Offertory Response

"Doxology" / T. Kern

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Creator Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen."

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

*Sending Hymn, no. 435

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

*Benediction

*Benedictory Response

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit" / Afro-American spiritual

"Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray."
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray."

*Postlude

"Madrigal" / A. Giamanco / Sharon Styer

*Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Earl Fisher and all the ways he leads us in being the church.



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Saint Paul's Leadership Team

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Organist, Accompanist, and

Director of Children's Choir Sharon Styer

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