

Saint Paul's @ the Farm

A United Church of Christ Community Welcoming you on the Second Sunday after Epiphany 10:30 a.m. January 14, 2024

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 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. Check out our Facebook page or website to learn more about us, and 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 our "time with the 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 Sharon Styer

Choral Introit

"Tell Me the Story of Jesus" / F. Crosby

"Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word; Tell me the story most precious, sweetest that ever was heard. Tell how the angels in chorus sang as they welcomed His birth, 'Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth.'"

Welcome and News from the Pews

Timothy Hogan-Palazzo and Drew Faust

Time of Centering

"Call to Worship" / I. Grichetchkine Sharon Styer

*Call to Worship and Sharing the Light

Drew Faust and Cato Kazibwe

Leader: We come this day from all walks of life: the rich, the poor; the struggling and secure.

Family: And God calls us all.

Leader: We bring our hearts to this time and place – hearts holding joy and sorrow, questions

and wonders.

Family: And God knows us.

Leader: We offer what we have to give: our talents and our imperfections, our faith and our

doubt, our hope and our hands.

Family: And God loves us.

All: Let us come together to worship God.

*Hymn of Praise, no. 358

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

Proclaiming the Word

God Moments and Concerns of the Family

Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Preparing our Hearts for Prayer

"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord" / A. Reed

"Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace."

Pastoral Prayer / The 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

Chancel Choir

"Children, Go Where I Send Thee" / arr. R.E. Schram

Time with Our Children Colleen Franciscus

Lectionary Alaina Byers

*Gospel Lesson: I Samuel 3:1-11 (page 212 in your pew Bible)

*Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51 (page 809 in your pew Bible)

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

*All: Thanks be to God.

*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."

Message

"Something's Happening Here!" Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Responding to the Word

Reflecting on the Message

"Day by Day—A Prayer" / St. Richard of Chichester

"Day by day, day by day, O, dear Lord, three things I pray:

To see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day."

Offering

Offertory "In Christ There is No East or West" / D. P. Dahl

Sharon Styer

Presentation of Our Gifts

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"Developed" (T. K.

*Offertory Response

"Doxology" / T. Kern

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

*Offertory Prayer

Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

*Closing Hymn, no. 463

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

*Benediction

*Benedictory Response

"Here I am, Lord" / D. Schutte

"Here I am, Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me, I will hold Your people in my heart."

*Postlude

"Postlude in G'' / M. Canales

Sharon Styer

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

Saint Paul's Leadership Team

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Church Administrative Assistant Donna Spear

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