Saint Paul's @ the Farm

A United Church of Christ Community
Welcoming you on the 20th Sunday after Pentecost
"Monstrous Love Sunday"
10:30 a.m. ~ October 26, 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!

Gathering of the Community

Gathering Music Sharon Styer

Chiming of the Hour

Introit "Holy Ground" / G. Davis

"We are standing on Holy Ground, and I know that there are angels all around; Let us praise Jesus now. We are standing in His presence on Holy Ground."

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo and Jen Arnold

Invocation

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Time of Centering

"Morning Prayer" / G. Hamilton / Sharon Styer

Sharing of the Light

Nelle Parker

*Call to Worship Jen Arnold

Leader: We come from all walks of life: the rich, the poor; the struggling and the 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...
All: Right where we are.

*Hymn of Praise, no. 513

"O, How He Loves You and Me"

Proclaiming the Word

God Moments & Concerns of the Family

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer

"Lord Be Glorified" / B. Kilpatrick

"In my heart, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my heart, Lord, be glorified today."

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.

Chancel Choir Anthem

"Where Charity and Love Prevail" / M. Shaw

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found. Brought here together by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound. With grateful joy and holy fear true charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and strength now love Him in return. Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; prevail, and let us love each other well in Christian holiness. Let strife among be unknown, let all our fighting cease. Be Christ the glory that we seek. Let strife among be unknown, let all our fighting cease. Be Christ the glory that we seek, be ours His holy peace.

Children's Choir "Happiness Is the Lord" / I.F. Stanphill

Time with Our Children Colleen Franciscus

Lectionary Kate Schaeffer

*Gospel Lessons: Luke 18:9-14 (page 800 in your pew Bible)

John 15:9-12 (page 824 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."

Sermon

"Raindrops, Whiskers, and Monster Trucks"
Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Responding to the Word

Sermon Response

"I Love You, Lord" / L. Klein

"I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear: may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear."

Offering

Offertory

"Heaven" / R.E. Schram / Sharon Styer

Presentation of Our Gifts

*Offertory Response

"Holy, Holy, Holy" / Argentine Folk Song

"Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you! My heart knows how to say to you: You are holy, Lord."

*Offertory Prayer

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

*Sending Hymn, no. 512

"My Savior's Love"

*Benediction

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be pleasing to you, Lord, my rock and my Redeemer.

*Benedictory Response

"Halle, Halle, Halleluja" / arr. C. Young

"We're friendly and we're kind, with grace we keep in mind, the people we can serve, Saint Paul's faith family. Our home is on a farm, we promise you no harm, the church we are a bein' Saint Paul's farm family."

*Postlude

"To God Be the Glory" / J.W. Krug / Sharon Styer

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

Altar flowers are giving to the Glory of God in celebration of Myrtle Hogan, 25 years cancer free by her family.



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