

Saint Paul's @ the Farm

A United Church of Christ Community Welcoming you on the Third Sunday of Easter 10:30 a.m. April 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 as we understand God's kingdom, hospitable 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 new website at: https://www.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

Choral Introit

"He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart."

Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Announcements

Drew Faust

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"Variations on "Arfon"" / A. Giamanco Sharon Styer and Emerson Counsil

*Call to Worship

Leader: When I think of God's presence in the world, I am grateful: People: Grateful for the presence of hope; grateful for the gift of life. Leader: And when I think of God's presence in my life, I am humbled: People: Humbled by the gift of grace; humbled by the invitation to begin again. Leader: And when I think of God's presence in this community, my heart is glad: People: Glad to be surrounded by a loving faith family, worshipping an amazing God, a patient Shepherd. Leader: Thank you, all; All: Thank you, God.

*Hymn of Praise, no. 8

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Proclaiming the Word

God Moments & Concerns of the Family

Preparing our Hearts for Prayer

"We Shall Behold Him" / T. Fettke

"And we shall behold him, we shall behold him face to face in all of His glory. O we shall behold him, we shall behold him face to face, our Savior and 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

Welcome

Time of Centering and Sharing of the Light

"He Lives" / A. Ackley

Sharon Styer

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" / arr. L. Pratt Sharon Styer

Colleen Franciscus

Richard Armstrong

"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."

> "The Patience of Job" Pastor Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

Responding to the Word

Reflecting on the Message

Presentation of Our Gifts

*Offertory Response

"We are the reason that He gave His life; We are the reason that He suffered and died. To a world that was lost, He gave all He could give, to show us the reason to live." Offering

> "Nearer, My God, to Thee" / R. Lau Sharon Styer To give electronically, you may scan the QR code on the back of your bulletin "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

*Sending Hymn, no. 345

*Benediction *Benedictory Response

"Thine is the Glory"/ Budry and Handel

"Thine is the glory, Risen, conqu'ring Son; Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won."

*Postlude

"Recessional" / D.E. Wagner Sharon Styer

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

Altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Chip Palazzo's 65th birthday by Pastor Tim.

Chancel Choir

Time with Our Children

Lectionary

*Gospel Lesson: John 21:1-19 (page 829 in your pew Bible) This is the word of God for all God's Children. Leader: A11: Thanks be to God.

*Response

Sermon

Offertory

"We Are the Reason" / D. Meece

Timothy Hogan-Palazzo

"Blessed Assurance"

Saint Paul's Leadership Team

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Pastor	Timothy Hogan-Palazzo
Church Administrative Assistant	Donna Spear
Director of Chancel and Bell Choirs, Pianist	Patricia Wagner
Organist, Accompanist, and Director of Children's Choir	Sharon Styer
Director of Faith Formation & Children's Church	h Colleen Franciscus
Child Care Attendant	Cory Mahon
Sexton	Steve Brown
Tech Team	Chip Palazzo, Elias Franciscus, Derek Longan, Heath Hansum
Financial Secretary	Dianne Covert
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Brad Gill – President/Trustee	Amy Armstrong ('26) – Secretary/Deacon
Jen Arnold ('24) – Deacon	Lisa Bernard ('24) – Vice President/Trustee
Don Emory ('26) – Deacon	Amy Mahon ('25) – Deacon
Dave Muffley ('25) – Trustee	Rhonda Newton ('24) – Deacon
Amy Rearick ('24) – Deacon	Kathy Rowe ('25) – Deacon
Dane Santos ('25) – Deacon	Jennifer Van Horn ('26) - Trustee

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