

Second Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017

Christ brings peace and the promise of life

Prelude

***Congregation please stand if able**

*** The Call to Worship** *The Apostles Creed* **Pg. 882**

*** Hymn** *Up from the Grave He Arose* **No. 322**

* Entrance of the Light of Christ

Joys and Prayer Concerns of the Congregation

(Please sign attendance pads located at the end of pew)

Unison Prayer

Living God, gather us into this space, this time, this season. Send your spirit to move among us. Open our hearts and our minds, that we will not hear you from “behind closed doors” but from a place of deep faith and readiness. Renew our call to embody the good news, to speak resurrection in places of despair. We seek you with anticipation and hopefulness. Amen

Silent Prayer Morning Prayer Lord’s Prayer

Choral Prayer Response *Christ is Alive* **No. 318**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.

Children’s Message

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

* Doxology (No. 95), Blessing

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*** Hymn** *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* **No. 304**

Scripture *John 20: 19-31*

Message Peace Be with You Rev. Evans C. Bentley

*** Hymn** *He Lives* **No. 310**

The Light of Christ Leads Us In To the World

Benediction

*** Congregational Response** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

St. Paul's Staff

Pastor: Evans C. Bentley

Office Manager: Susan Paterson

Director of Music: John C. Tyner

Organist: Inger Oswald

Director of Children's Choirs: John Fedosky

Christian Education Director: Alisha Cooley

Youth Leaders: Willie Lass & Kelly Vergowven

Liturgists:

9:00 a.m. – Mary Ann Bair

11:00 a.m. – Jerry Johnson

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. – Brenda Cadle, Fran Rayce

Patty Siekierda, Paula Massengill

11:00 a.m. – Dave Drumm, Robin Simonson,

Jane Drumm, Alisha Cooley

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. – Patty Siekierda

Acolytes:

9:00 a.m. – Olivia Gladieux

11:00 a.m. – Alexis Jay & Sophia Vergowven

Worship attendance last Sunday – 283

Budget Information:

Expenditures: \$ 98,414

Income 79,704

Endowment Income and

2016 Carryover used: 18,710

Announcements

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers: **Geri Pleuss** who broke her hip in a fall and is recovering at Fountainview rehab,; **Jannet Low** who broke her leg and is recovering from surgery. **Betty Albain** is recovering from a broken arm and is in the Lutheran Home.

Childcare is provided for children, 4 years old and younger in the nursery on Sundays during worship service.

The flowers on the chancel are given:

In honor of **Alexa Cooley's** birthday.

In celebration of **Cera Balk's** 10th birthday.

In honor of **Olivia Gladieux's** 11th birthday.

Pictures are being requested for Mother's Day. Taiya Himebauch is composing a montage of photos for services on Mother's Day. Send your photos to taiyahimebauch@gmail.com or text 734-625-4253 by May 5th.

Eve Circle will once again be holding their *Trash to Treasure Sale* this summer with proceeds to benefit various church and community projects. As you organize for the new year and the new seasons, please put things aside to bring in later this year. We'll let you know exact dates later. **Please do not bring items now. We do not have any storage space!**

VBS themed Maker Fun Factory will be held June 26-30, 2017 from 9 a.m. to Noon. Volunteers and leaders needed! Please prayerfully consider participating. Contact Alisha Cooley, Christian Education Director, at (734) 344-8535 or alisha@cooleyservices.com.

Church Directory Update... Photography appointments are scheduled here at St. Paul's UMC in fellowship hall on days, before and after church services today and continuing through April 30. As an alternative, you can schedule your photography appointment ONLINE Monday through Friday until April 28th. Go to the Universal website, www.usdir.com, check on yellow sun burst icon, enter mi943 in the church code field and enter directory in the password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have any questions, please call Duane Bair 734-244-5408 or 517-317-1560.

2017 UMC Summer Online Registration is now open! Go to www.umcamping.org to see what the Michigan Area UM Camping can offer. There are camps for everyone and programs for all ages.

See Mrs. Cooley, Christian Education Director, for a camping catalog if you have not received one. \$100 rebates are available for St. Paul's members on one camp registration.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUND- RAISER for Sue and Paul Stanifer is to be held Friday, April 28th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in fellowship hall. Bring your family and friends for a tasty meal and help one of our church families at the same time! A bake sale and silent auction will take place also.

- Workers are asked to arrive at 3:00, unless otherwise notified
- Baked goods can be brought in Thursday, from Noon till 4:00 p.m. or any time after 10:00 a.m. on Friday.

The Presbyterian and Episcopal parking lots will be available for our use – for workers and dinner guests.

For other questions, call Judie Wiseman – 734-241-3466.

This Week at St. Paul's

Sunday, April 23, 2017

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Worship

Monday, April 24, 2017

7:00 p.m. – Board of Trustees

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

6:00 p.m. – Community Dinner

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Noon – Kiwanis Club

5:30 p.m. – Christ's Kids Bowling Party

Thursday, April 27, 2017

10:00 a.m. – *Sounds of Joy* Community Singers

Noon – Funeral luncheon

Friday, April 28, 2017

2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Stanifer Fund Raiser

Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, April 29, 2017

7:00 p.m. – *Sounds of Joy* Community Singers Concert

Sunday, April 30, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Worship

10:00 a.m. – Sunday school classes for all ages

11:00 a.m. – Worship

6:00 p.m. - UMYF