

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 20, 2018

The Holy Spirit Gives Power and Light to the Church

Prelude

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

*Congregation please stand if you are able.

*Call to Worship Psalm 100: 1 -5 UMH 821

*Entrance of the Light of Christ

*Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH 577

Joys, Prayer Concerns and Announcements:

Please sign and pass the attendance registration pads found at the end of each pew.

9:00 a.m. Teacher Appreciation

Unison Prayer:

O God, the Holy Spirit, come to us, and among us; come as the wind, and cleanse us; come as the fire, and burn; come as the dew, and refresh; convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to our great good and to thy greater glory: and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Silent Prayer – Morning Prayer – The Lord's Prayer

Choral Prayer Response Spirit Song (vs. 1) UMH 347

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

11:00 a.m. Sacred Dance Alyssa LaRoy, Elora Russell, Evelyn Short

Children's Message

Stewardship Moment Brad Lewis

The Offering of Our Gifts & Offertory
Offertory

***The 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 *O Spirit of the Living God* UMH 539

11:00 a.m. Anthem *In the Silence of This Moment* arr. Douglas Wagner
Chancel Choir

Scripture Ephesians 1: 15 - 23

Message *Associates of God's Power and Light Company* Pastor Evans C. Bentley

11:00 a.m. Dedication of gift from the Confirmation Class - *Supper at Emmaus*
Holy Baptism of Elora Russell and Confirmation
Please see congregational responses UMH 33-43

*Hymn *Surely the Presence of the Lord* UMH 328

The Light of Christ leads us into the world - Benediction

*Congregational Response On Eagle's Wings UMH 143
**And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of God's hand.**

Announcements

St. Paul's Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Evans C. Bentley
Director of Music: John C. Tyner
Organist: Inger Oswald
Office Personnel: Cathy Butson & Susan Myers
Treasurer: Jeanette Fedosky
Financial Secretary: Peggy Plath
Christian Education Director: Alisha Cooley

Ushers: 9:00 a.m. – Leon Burchette, Todd Favreau, Rick Reicherd,
Janet Volker, Jim Morr
11:00 a.m. – Tom Paterson, Bob Paterson, Will Paterson,
Jerry Spence

Liturgist: 9:00 a.m. – Mary Kay Hamilton
11:00 a.m. – Susan Myers

Acolytes: 9:00 a.m. – Chloe Pabin and Olivia Gladieux
11:00 a.m. – Alex Roa-Garcia and Jenna Balk

Last Week's Attendance – 224

Budget Information:

Expenditures: \$124,827
Income: \$ 96,013
Endowment Income and 2017 Carryover used: \$ 28,814

We extend our *Christian sympathies to the family of Robert Doty*, who passed away on May 7, 2018, and to *Paul and Sue Stanifer* on the passing of Paul's sister, *Sue Mertz*.

The *altar arrangements* are given *in honor of Shirley and Bryan Spence's birthdays* from Jerry Spence, and *in memory of Marge Sampsel's 85th birthday* from Jerry and Barb Sampsel.

Today is the *last day of Sunday school* classes for this school the year.

Confirmation Students	
Michael Raymond Brophy	Jason Reynolds Himebauch
Anya Jade Jacobs	Kylie Ann Jacobs
Alexis Carmella Jay	Alyssa Joan LaRoy
Griffin James Linn	Robert Adam Mort
Elora Elizabeth Russell	Evelyn Mirabelle Short
Noah Michael Stein	Orion Robert Allan Tyner
Kaitlyn Ruth Volpi	

Remember! Our *Summer Schedule* begins NEXT Sunday (May 27th) and lasts through Labor Day weekend Sunday (September 2nd). We will have 9:30 a.m. worship only.

If you or a group you are a part of would like to host a *Summer Social*, please see the sign-up sheet in the atrium. Socials are held after Worship on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Socials are a great time of sharing and community.

Slate! Summer Edition, will be out in the next few weeks. If you have something to submit or wish to be a sponsor, email Willie Lass at wlass@charter.net or call 734-735-1669

District Superintendent, Mark Spaw, has asked that St. Paul's hold a *special church conference* for the sole purpose of securing a vote of recommendation of William Lass as a candidate for ministry. We will meet **immediately after 9:30 a.m. worship on Sunday, June 10th** for this meeting.

UMYF Mission Trip 2018: This summer, we will be staying home to serve our own community. If you have any household projects you'd like help with, we will be working on **Monday, July 9th from 9am to 3pm**. If we can help you, please leave a note with the office.

Seeking leaders and volunteers for Vacation Bible School. This year's VBS, themed "Shipwrecked", is planned for **July 23-27**. Please see or contact Alisha Cooley or the church office.

Two new quilts were put on the easels in Fellowship Hall. These were made for two lovely ladies in the St. Paul's family - **Mary Ann Bair and Joyce Ackerman**. Stop by, tie a knot, send your love and share your faith in our Lord's power to comfort, strengthen and heal Mary Ann and Joyce. Soon new quilts will be added that will require you to help out even more. We, the Prayer Quilt Ministry, couldn't continue this rewarding mission without your assistance. Thank you!

"Blessed Through Prayer" meets at St. Paul's every Thursday **at 7:00 p.m.** Please come and join us. You may also put your prayer request cards, found in the pews, in the offering plate, or in the prayer request box near the parking lot entrance of the church. Feel free to submit the cards anonymously if you wish. Call **Duane Bair** at 517-317-1560 if you have any questions.

The Worship Committee wishes to thank all who helped in any way with our new Chancel lighting. Two years, lots of work, and prayers have led to an enhancement of our beautiful sanctuary; a place of worship that is classic, yet modern behind the scenes. We are ready for many more years of worshiping our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Money is a neutral commodity, a means of exchange.
It is neither inherently good nor evil.
"But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be given to you as well" (Matthew 6:33).

This Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, May 20

- 9:00a.m. – Worship and Sunday School Leader Appreciation
- 10:00 a.m. – Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. – Worship, Baptism of Elora Russell and Confirmation
- 12:12 p.m. – Staff Parish Relations Committee
- 6:00 p.m. – UMYF (Last Sunday evening meeting of the school year)

Monday, May 21

- 7:00 p.m. – Trustees

Tuesday, May 22

- 6:00 p.m. – God Works Meal

Wednesday, May 23

- 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, May 24

- 10:00 a.m. – Community Singers
- 7:00 p.m. – Prayer Gathering "*Blessed Through Prayer*"

Saturday, May 26

- 8:00 a.m. – Men's Group Breakfast
(Benny's Restaurant, 15239 S. Monroe St.)

Sunday, May 27

- 9:30 a.m. – Worship
- 10:30 a.m. – Summer Social hosted by the Worship Committee