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HE IS BEFORE ALL THINGS AND IN  
HIM ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER  
COL 1:17

## **Welcome to St. Paul UCC, we are glad you are here!!**

Whether you are worshipping online or in person, Welcome, one and all, to this time of worship. We are blessed to have you with us today.

### **IN PERSON WORSHIP NOTES:**

**Bulletins, Offering Plates, and Communion** are available on the long table in the Narthex/front entrance and the round tables in the sanctuary.

**Listening devices** are available in the Narthex/front entrance, for those who need them. Please return your device to an Usher following worship. Thank you!

**Children's Activity Bags** containing children's bulletins and other activities are available. Thank you!

**Restrooms** are located in the Narthex/front entrance of the church and in the south hallway of the educational building.

**WIFI Connection**-connect via "St Paul – Guest"  
Password: godlovesyou

**The \*** indicates all who are able may stand.

# Festival of Pentecost, May 19th, 2024

## Worship Leaders

|                |                  |
|----------------|------------------|
| Ministers      | The Congregation |
| Guest Preacher | Bryan Trego      |
| Organist       | Arianne Henry    |
| Liturgist      | Andy Bushman     |
| Sr. Deacon     | June Oaks        |

## PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

### We Gather Together

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*WELCOME SONG *No Matter*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Listen, now, to the rush of the wind.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit!**

Leader: See the tongues of flame dancing overhead.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit!**

Leader: Know the gifts you are given to serve the Body of Christ.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit!**

**All: Together, we worship our vibrant, emotive, and gift-giving God!**

\*HYMN *Revive Us Again* No. 463

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

**All: We confess our sins to the one who gifts us with eternal forgiveness.**

## \*CONFESSION

Leader: God the Holy Spirit, we confess to you and to one another that we caused harm by what we have done and not done, by what we have said and not said.

**People: By your power, the church came to be. But we have turned back from your power. We have let the church get on with its own business while we busied ourselves elsewhere. Inspire us to give to others the gifts you have given to us. God, forgive us. Lord, hear our prayer.**

*(TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION)*

## \*PARDON

Leader: In the name of Jesus, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, in grace and mercy, God forgives all our sins.

**People: With joy and expectation, we have been called into new life by the forgiveness of sins through Jesus Christ our savior. In his name we are forgiven. Thanks be to God, alleluia, Amen!**

## \*GLORIA PATRI

***Glory Be to the Father***

God's Word Is Proclaimed

## SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12:1–13

(NT) pg. 174

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in

everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

<sup>12</sup> For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup> For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Acts Lesson: Acts 2:1–4

(NT) pg. 119

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

*(Our youngest disciples are invited to the chancel steps for a special word. Afterwards, they may return to their seats.*

*Worship bags are available on the tables in the sanctuary.)*

\*HYMN

***Breathe on Me, Breath of God***

No. 461

SERMON

***The Glue That Holds Us Together***

Bryan Trego

## We Respond to God's Word

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Holy Spirit, you fill us with life and breath, with skills and abilities to be used for the common good. Open our eyes to all that we have to offer and fill us with joy in the giving of ourselves for the sake of others. God of new life,

**People: Giving God, in mercy hear our prayer.**

Leader: You have gifted some with a passion for the natural world, and others with the scientific curiosity and knowledge needed for its restoration and long-term viability. May we follow those so gifted and lend our hearts, hands, and voices to their vital work.

**People: Vibrant God, in mercy hear our prayer.**

Leader: You have gifted some of us with the ability to lead, and others with the gift of collaboration. May we follow those so gifted and support their efforts to bring peace and justice to the world.

**People: God of peace and justice, in mercy hear our prayer.**

Leader: You have gifted some with medical skills, and others with hearts for healing in myriad ways. May we support those so gifted that they might bring healing and wholeness to all who suffer. Today we lift up to your mercy those we name and those who love them and care for them. Karen Fox, Greg Maurer, Bart Maurer, Karen Vornholt, Terri Mullins, Denise Joyce, Bev Poppe, Ann Hudson, Dee Schroer, and Anna Hoelscher.

**People: God of wholeness, in mercy hear our prayer.**

Leader: You have gifted some of us with the ability to speak your words of truth in the face of injustice and oppression. May we listen to their words and heed their call to action on behalf of the marginalized. God of new life,

**People: Activist God, in mercy hear our prayer.**

Leader: We place in your arms all for whom we pray, out loud or in our hearts, confident in your mercy and grace, through Jesus Christ, our savior, who gifted us with eternal wisdom when he taught us to pray by saying, **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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WE RESPOND WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

\*OFFERTORY SONG *We Give Thee but Thine Own* No. 688, v.1-2

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**All:** God, our source, you continue to shower us with gift upon gift each day of our lives. Accept now what we return to you and use our offerings for the healing and wholeness of all that you have made. Amen.

\*HYMN *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* No. 327

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Leader: Let all God's people say,

**People: Alleluia, Amen!**

\*CLOSING SONG *Go with us, Lord* No. 747 (x2)

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

\*POSTLUDE

# No Matter

♩=120

Musical staff with notes and chords: F, Dm, Gm7, C, F, F7

No mat-ter who, — no mat-ter what — no mat-ter where you are on the

Musical staff with notes and chords: B $\flat$ , G<sup>7</sup>, F, Dm, G<sup>7</sup>, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>

jour-ney of life; you're wel-come, wel-come in this place. — No mat-ter

Musical staff with notes and chords: F, Dm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C, F, F<sup>7</sup>

who, — no mat-ter what, — no mat-ter where you are on the

Musical staff with notes and chords: B $\flat$ , G<sup>7</sup>, F, Dm, Gm<sup>7</sup>, C<sup>7</sup>, C, F, F

jour-ney of life: ac-cept-ed, wel-comed by God's grace. grace.

To verses

Last time, Fine



# Revive Us Again

463

F                      F    C7  
                                 A    G            F

1 We praise thee, O God, for the Son of thy love, for Je - sus who  
2 We praise thee, O God, for thy Spir - it of light, who has shown us our  
3 All glo - ry and praise to the Lamb that was slain, who has borne all our  
4 Re - vive us a - gain: fill each heart with thy love; may each soul be re -

*Refrain*

Bb    F                      F    C                      F    Bb    F  
F                      C                      F                      F

died and is now gone a - bove.  
Sav - ior and scat - tered our night.  
sins, and has cleansed ev - ery stain. Hal - le - lu - jah! thine the glo - ry; Hal - le -  
kin - dled with fire from a - bove.

Bb    F                      C    F                      Bb    F                      Bb    F  
F                      C                      F                      C                      F

lu - jah, A - men! Hal - le - lu - jah! thine the glo - ry; re - vive us a - gain.



# Breathe on Me, Breath of God 461

Eb
 $\frac{Ab}{Eb}$ 
 $\frac{Abm}{Eb}$ 
Eb
 $\frac{Eb}{G}$ 
 $\frac{Bb7}{F}$ 
Eb
Ab6
Am7(b5)
Bb

1 Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
 2 Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
 3 Breathe on me, breath of God, so that your will is mine,  
 4 Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

Eb
 $\frac{Ab}{Eb}$ 
 $\frac{Dm7(b5)}{F}$ 
 $\frac{Eb}{G}$ 
Eb
Abmaj9
 $\frac{Fm}{Ab}$ 
Fm
 $\frac{Fm}{Ab}$ 
 $\frac{Eb}{Bb}$ 
Bb
 $\frac{Eb}{Bb}$ 
Bb7
Eb

that I may love what - e'er you love, and do what you would do.  
 un - til with you I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
 un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with your fire di - vine.  
 but live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

WORDS: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889), alt.  
 MUSIC: Robert Jackson (1842-1914)

TRENTHAM  
 S.M.

# 688 We Give Thee but Thine Own

G             $\frac{G}{B}$     C2     $\frac{D7}{A}$     G             $\frac{G}{F}$      $\frac{C}{E}$      $\frac{G}{D}$      $\frac{Am}{C}$     C#dim7    Dsus    D

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be:  
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
 3 To com - fort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,  
 4 The cap - tive to re - lieve, to God the lost to bring,  
 5 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:

D    G     $\frac{G}{B}$     C2     $\frac{D7}{A}$     Em    D    G     $\frac{G7}{B}$      $\frac{Am}{C}$              $\frac{G}{D}$     D7    G

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
 to tend the lone and fa - ther - less is an - gels' work be - low.  
 to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ - like thing.  
 what - e'er for thine we do, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

WORDS: William W. How (1823-1897)  
 MUSIC: Mason and Webb's *Cantica Laudis*, 1850

SCHUMANN  
 S.M.

# 327 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Unison  $\frac{Bb}{C}$  F  $\frac{G7}{D}$  C  $\frac{C}{Bb}$   $\frac{F}{A}$  Dm7 G7

1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her  
 2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch - es of the  
 3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of

Csus C Am7 Gm Eb7 D  $\frac{D}{C}$

flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the  
 Vine, to the Church in faith as - sem - bled, to our  
 prayer, with the power to love and wit - ness, with the

$\frac{Gm}{Bb}$  Gm F7 Bb maj7  $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$   $\frac{C}{Bb}$  Am7  $\frac{C7}{A}$  Dm7 Gm7 C7 F

new flame's ea - ger might:  
 midst as gift and sign: Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
 peace be - yond com - pare:

## Go with Us, Lord

I G Dsus D Em II  $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am7}{C}$  D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am  $\frac{F\#dim}{A}$  G  $\frac{Am7}{G}$   $\frac{D7}{F\#}$  G

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and ev - ery com - ing day,

G Am  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G  $\frac{Am}{C}$  D G  $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  D Em  $\frac{G}{B}$   $\frac{Am}{C}$  D G

that in your Spir - it strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

WORDS: Mary Jackson Cathey (1926- )  
 MUSIC: Thomas Tallis (ca. 1505-1585)

TALLIS' CANON  
 L.M.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Altar Flowers** are in honor of Christian Chavarria by John and Joyce Gilberg. (*Altar flowers can be taken home after worship service.*)

**Circle of Friends Cards** for you to sign are for Terri Mullins (East door), Linda Rump (South door), Alice Hartwig (North door). Recipients appreciate the cards you sign.

My tremendous thanks to everyone who helped, cooked, set-up, cleaned up, ate or just hung around after worship last Sunday. The food was only surpassed by the fellowship. Thank you for such a nice send-off. I am truly blessed to have been among you. Pastor Ken.

### **This Week at St. Paul:**

**May 20<sup>th</sup>** - Coffee and Conversation at 2 pm (New Bremen Coffee Co.)

**May 20<sup>th</sup>** - Deadline for June monthly mailer. Submissions can be emailed to the church office [stpaulnb@nktelco.net](mailto:stpaulnb@nktelco.net).

**Blessing Pantry Hours** - Tues 5:30-7:30 pm; Wed & Thurs 1-3 pm

**Church Office Hours** - Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri 10 am- 5 pm; Wed 1-5 pm

**Church Office Closed** - The church office will be closed on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day.

**Join the Prayer Chain!** Contact Jeff Paul at [jrpaul@nktelco.net](mailto:jrpaul@nktelco.net) or 419-305-0584 to become a member of our St. Paul Prayer Chain. Prayer concerns can be received through text messages or emails.

**Blessing Pantry's Current Needs:** Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Kleenex, Shaving Cream, Men's and Women's Deodorant, Laundry Detergent, Softener Sheets, Baby Shampoo, Diaper Cream, Baby Diapers sizes (3, 4, 5, & 6). Donations can be placed in the blue containers located inside the sanctuary doors and metal containers inside the east and north doors of the educational building. **All donations are welcome. Thank you!**

**Worship Attendance on May 12<sup>th</sup>** - In-person 110, Online 26

## May Mission of the Month



# CROSSROAD

Child & Family Services

Since 1883, Crossroad's mission has been to help vulnerable children and families. Today, we use our decades of expertise to help emotionally troubled children. Abuse, neglect, child trafficking, parental drug abuse, domestic violence, and brain trauma have impacted children. Crossroad encourages you to consider a thoughtful gift to help our kids.

There are many ways you can help:

- Please pray for our children, staff, and the Board of Directors.
- Your financial gifts of any amount are a blessing.
- We use gifts of merchandise for Christmas, birthdays, incentives, and more. *(If you would like to see the full list of items, please contact June Oaks.)*

Thank you for your financial donations to Crossroad Child & Family Services, St. Paul UCC's monthly mission for May.

Thank you from the Mission Team.



## 2024 Financial Information as of April 27, 2024

### Operating Fund

Beg. Balance \$16,714.70  
Endowment Trans \$12,340.00 (ytd)  
Income \$103,492.65 (ytd)  
Expenses \$91,561.41 (ytd)  
Balance \$28,645.94 (ytd)

### Building Maint & Property

Beg. Balance \$71,978.89  
Income \$24,085.00 (ytd)  
Endowment Inc. \$2,393.17 (ytd)  
Expenses \$13,669.84 (ytd)  
Balance \$84,787.22 (ytd)

### Our Church's Wider Mission

Pledge \$25,000.00  
Income \$8,611.00 (ytd)

### Local Aid

Beg. Balance \$16,791.50  
Income \$4,614.00 (ytd)  
Expenses \$679.00 (ytd)  
Balance \$20,726.50 (ytd)

### Blessing Pantry

Beg. Balance \$32,845.83  
Income \$6,325.00 (ytd)  
Expenses \$2,111.41 (ytd)  
Balance \$37,059.42 (ytd)

### Project of the Year

Income \$2,276.00

## **E-Giving @ St. Paul**

**Online** – Make a donation on our website: [stpaulnb.org](http://stpaulnb.org)

**Text** – Make a donation to our Number: 833-308-0048

**How To Give by Text (Example - my amount for the example is \$25  
(minimum amount is \$5.00))**

- For general fund giving: Send 25 gl (hit send)
- For building & property fund giving: Send 25 bp (hit send)
  - For Blessing Pantry: Send 25 pantry (hit send)
- For project of the year giving: Send 25 poy (hit send)

**Once a text amount is sent:**

**Registration Link-** Sent via text the first time a donation is made.  
Thank you! Please visit (link) to register.

**Donation Confirm-** Sent via text each time a donation is made.



**Your donation makes a difference.  
Thank you for helping us change lives.**