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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 Masks are available on tables.

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 on the tables. 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

June 11, 2023 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Leaders

Ministers
Rev. Ken Locke
John Wierwille
Deb Gibson
June Oaks

The Congregation
Interim Pastor
Pianist
Liturgist
Sr. Deacon

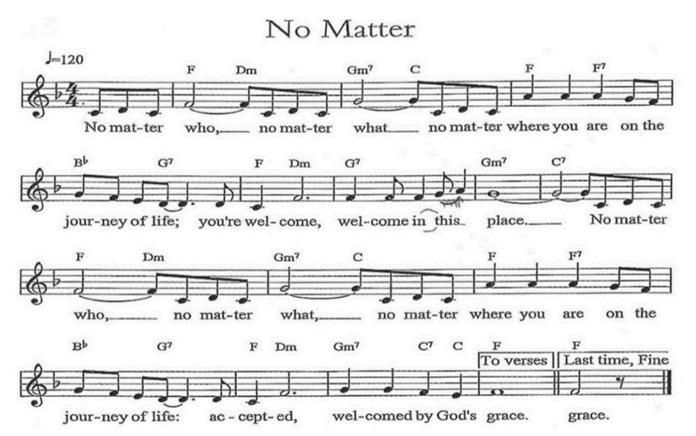
PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

190TH ANNIVERSARY-DID YOU KNOW?

In 1908, the Sewing Circle and Busy Twelve were formed. In 1914, the Mission Circle, which was later named Christian Service Guild, formed. Brotherhood started in 1922, as well as the Young People's League, which was later to be called Senior High Youth Fellowship.

*WELCOME SONG



*CALL TO WORSHIP

<u>Leader:</u> We have come to worship to be with God, but the beautiful truth is:

People: God is already with us. God is always with us.

<u>Leader:</u> So in this time together, let us lift our voices in praise of our loving, ever-present God.

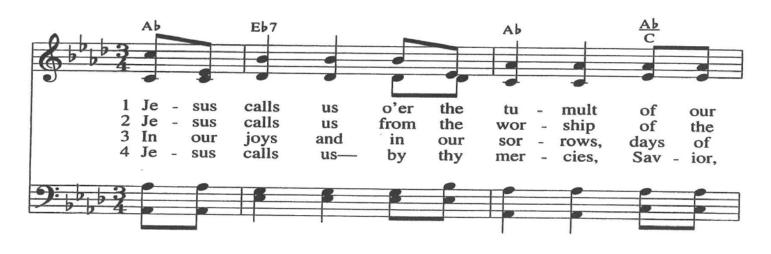
People: Together, let us worship God.

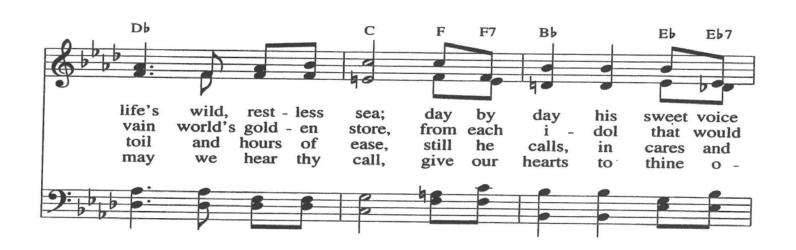
*HYMN OF PRAISE

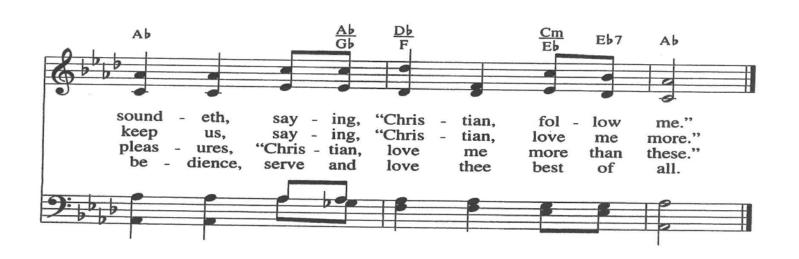
Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult

No. 345

Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult







*CALL TO CONFESSION

<u>Leader:</u> Christ came for us in the midst of our sins. Knowing that Jesus meets us where we are, let us offer our prayers of confession.

*CONFESSION

<u>Leader:</u> Merciful God, we have come here acknowledging our guilt, and seeking your face and forgiveness.

<u>People:</u> We have not offered steadfast love to you or each other. We have not moved forward in faith, but have allowed ourselves to be stifled by fear.

<u>Leader:</u> Merciful God, revive us. Raise us up, that we might live lives pleasing to you, rejoicing in the knowledge of your love.

(TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION)

*PARDON

<u>Leader:</u> People of God, hear and believe the good news: Christ came to bring healing, forgiveness, and new life to all who sin and suffer.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Amen.



PASTORAL JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys: Fun had by all at Art Camp last week!

Concerns: We are continuing to pray for Jay Waterman, Tavi Haastrup, Rob Paul, Greg Maurer, Bart Maurer, Jerry Newman, Karen Vornholt, Molly Borkowski, Terri Mullins, Denise Joyce, Bev Poppe, Julia Paul, Ann Hudson, Nancy Moots, and Dee Schroer.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 12:1-9

(OT) pg.10

12 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a

great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶ Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷ Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸ From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹ And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Romans 4:13-25 (NT) pg.155

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

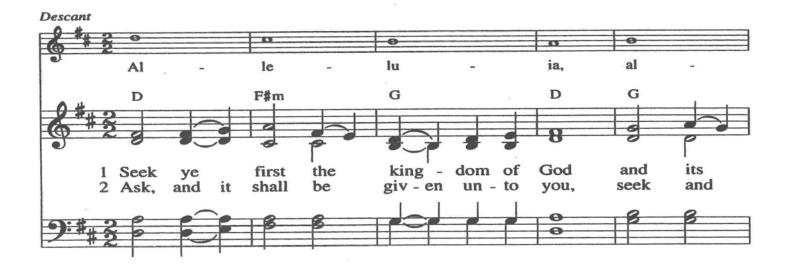
¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to

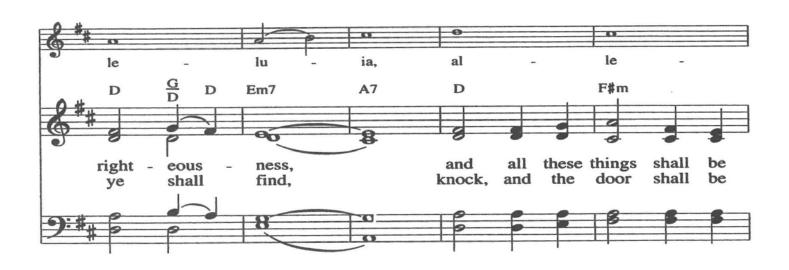
do what he had promised. ²² Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

SERMON Do You Trust Me? Rev. Ken Locke

HYMN Seek Ye First (x2) (Remain Seated) No. 349

Seek Ye First







WE RESPOND WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS OFFERTORY SENTENCES

*DOXOLOGY Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

No. 34

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 34



*PRAYER OF DEDICATION: Generous God, you have blessed us with all we need for the journey of our lives. Today we bring some of those blessings to share with others along the way. We pray that this offering will offer sustenance, nurture, abiding faith, and love for you as fierce as your love for us. In the name of the one who gave himself fully, Jesus the Christ, Amen.

*HYMN OF SENDING

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

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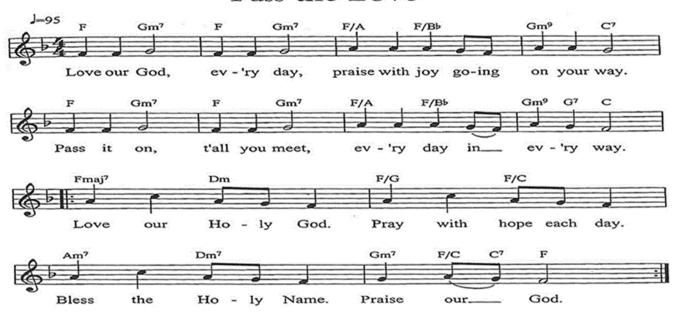
719 Go, My Children, with My Blessing



*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: Pass the Love

Pass the Love



*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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers are in memory of Edgar, Vilma, Edward E., and Mamie Rump by Bev Plattner.

Circle of Friends Cards for you to sign are for Bev Poppe (North door), Linda Rump (South door), and Rob Paul (East door). Recipients appreciate the cards you sign.

Participants- June 3 | Worship In-Person-23; June 4 | Worship Online-101, In-Person-83

In the past, we gathered our worship online numbers from the "3 second views" within Facebook's insights. Going forward, we will be gathering our worship online numbers from the "1 minute views".

Deadline for Monthly Mailer Submissions- If you have anything that needs to go in the July monthly mailer, please email it to stpaulnb@nktelco.net by June 19th. Thank you!

Deadline Extended for Pictorial Directory- Our Church Directory needs updated pictures and information! Please complete the Pictorial Directory Information form online (stpaulnb.org) or pick up a form today from the bulletin tables in the sanctuary. Return to the church office or email to klt@nktelco.net as soon as possible. We will call you to set up a definite photo appointment.

190th Celebration Meeting will be Sunday, June 11th after worship in the middle Sunday school room (room 3). Anyone is welcome to join to discuss this great celebration.

Fishing with Friends- Join us to o-FISH-ally celebrate summer with fellowship, fishing, sun, and swimming on June 14th from 9-11am at the Knost's residence. All are welcome! Light lunch will be provided.

Widow and Widower Luncheon-The next Widow & Widower's Luncheon will be Wed, June 14, 11:30am – 12:30pm. All are welcome to come for a time of eating, sharing and laughter. Immanuel Church Fellowship Hall, Kettlersville.

Miniature Golf- All are welcome to join us for a morning of miniature golf at the K.C. Geiger Park on June 28th from 10:30-11:30am. Cost: \$1/child and \$2/adult. Feel free to bring a lunch to enjoy at the park afterwards!

2023 Altar Flower Chart has an open date: July 30. Please sign up if you would like. You may also call the church office Monday-Thursday to sign up. 2023 altar flower price will be \$40.00. Thank you.

September Book Club- We will be reading *Leaving Church: A Memoir of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Books are available to pick up from the table outside the pastor's office. This event will be offered via Zoom and in-person on Sunday, September 24 following worship in the Zoom Room.

June Monthly Mission: Community Backpack+ Program

The Community Backpack+ Program has been designated a Community Project Fund of the New Bremen Foundation. Through the program, they were able to provide backpacks and school supplies to 27 students in 2022. They also donated \$1500 to the NB Schools to help pay unpaid school fees. Two-hundred dollars each were donated to NB, Minster, and New Knoxville schools for their "No Shame Lunch Funds", a guaranteeing that no student goes without a full lunch.

Thank you for your generous donations to the Community Backpack+ Program.

-The Mission Team

St Paul UCC Job Openings-The following positions are or will be available in the near future: Worship Organist, Music Director, Bell Choir Director, and Chancel Choir Director. Interested applicants are asked to submit a resume and cover letter, indicating position applying for, to the church office, attention Myra Hanenkratt, Council President.

The Worship Organist is responsible for playing organ/piano during worship services, accompanies the choirs and works closely with the Worship Team.

The Music Director/Bell Choir Director/Chancel Choir Director serves part time to recruit, rehearse and perform bell and chancel choir music. The Music Director works closely with the Worship Team.

Blessing Pantry-is open during these hours - Tuesdays 5:30pm-7:30pm, Wednesdays and Thursdays 1:00pm-3:00pm. The Pantry will be closed Mondays and Fridays. All Donations Welcome—Blessing Pantry Needs-Conditioner, Deodorant (Women's), Baby Lotion, Kleenex, Cotton Balls, Vaseline, Sunscreen. Thank you! There is a container outside the East and North Educational Building doors for donations.

Bulletin & Sermon Availability-weekly bulletins and sermons are available for download on our website stpaulnb.org. Just click the yellow BULLETINS or SERMON box in the upper right hand corner.

May/June Upper Rooms-are available at the East entrance to the education building and on the round tables in the sanctuary. Or please call the church office if you would like one and we will gladly mail one to you.

St. Paul Church Nursery Announcement-The St. Paul Church Nursery will be open on Communion Sundays. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Justine Homan, Nursery Champion, at 937-658-1770.

Want to be part of the Prayer Chain? Please contact Prayer Chain Champion, Jeff Paul at <u>jrpaul@nktelco.net</u> or 419-305-0584. The St. Paul Prayer Chain has two formats: texting and email. All are welcome.

Calendar-Week of June 11, 2023

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Sunday	10:15am	Worship
		In Person & via Facebook Live
	11:30am	190th Celebration Meeting
Monday	2:00pm-4:00pm	Coffee Shop-NB Coffee Shop
Tuesday	5:30pm-7:30pm	Blessing Pantry Open
	7:00pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	9:00am-11:00am	Fishing with Friends
		at The Knost's residence
	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
Thursday	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
Friday	Noon	Office Closed

E-Giving @ St. Paul

Online - Make a donation on our website: 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.*



Church Directory Update



We need your new pictures and updated information for the 2023 St. Paul Church Directory

Picture taking days: Thursday, June 15, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Saturday, June 17, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Thursday, June 22, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Sunday, June 25, 2:00-4:00 p.m.



JOIN US FOR A MORNING OF

MINIATURE GOLF @ K.C. GEIGER PARK

Wednesday, June 28th 10:30 am - 11:30 am \$1 for Child, \$2 for Adults
Bring a lunch to enjoy at the park afterwards!

"MY DOCTOR TOLD ME TO TAKE MY IRON EVERYDAY AND TO LIVE ON GREENS!"

"THE ONLY IRON DAD KNOWS HOW TO USE!"

