

**St. Paul United Church of Christ**

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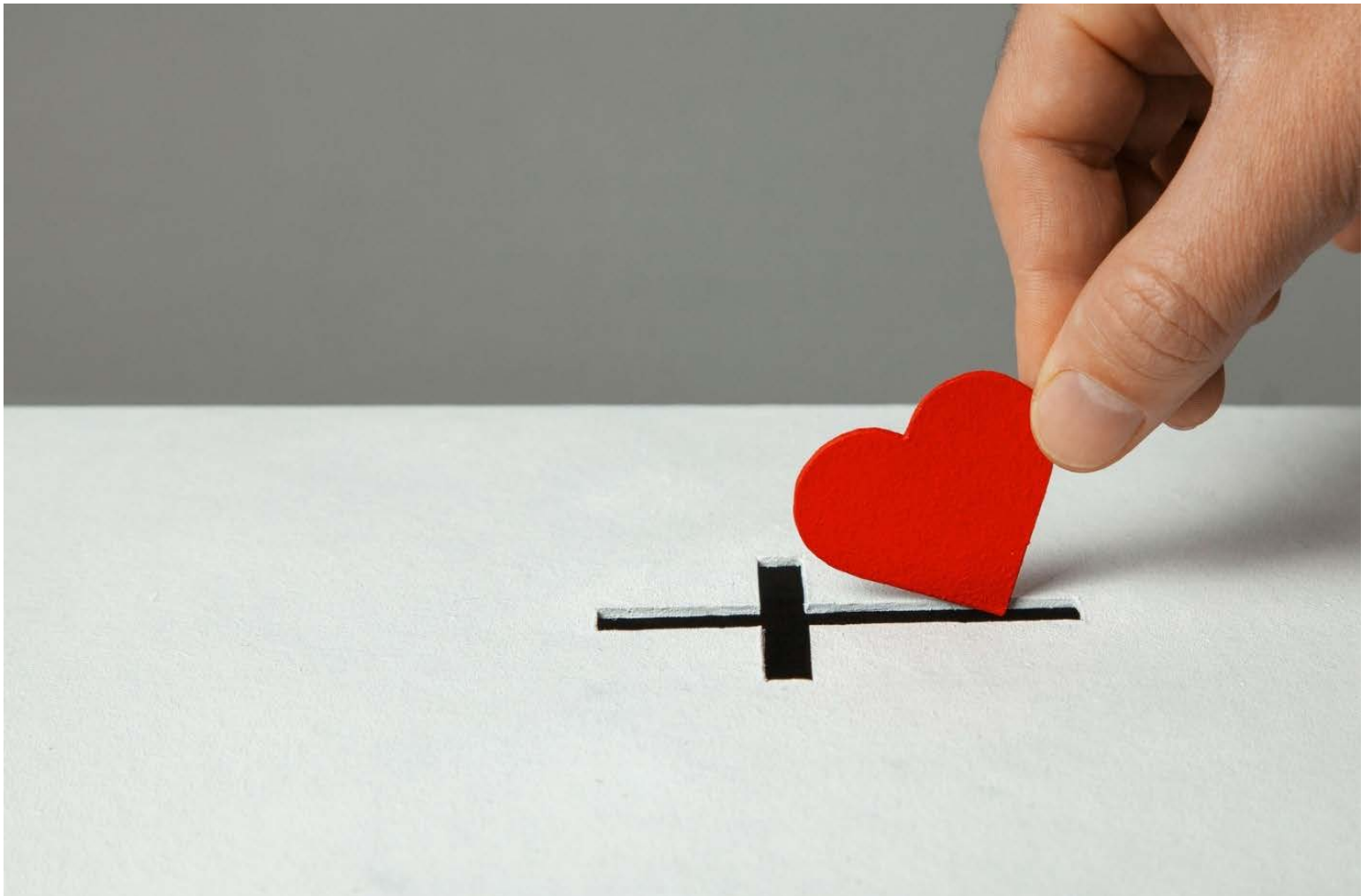
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**Welcome to St. Paul UCC, we are glad you are here!!**

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

**October 8, 2023**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Worship Leaders**

Ministers  
Interim Pastor  
Pianist (Saturday)  
Organist (Sunday)  
Liturgist  
Sr. Deacon

The Congregation  
Rev. Ken Locke  
Arianne Henry  
Patty Ruckman  
Levi Grevenkamp  
June Oaks

PRELUDE & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

We Gather Together

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

190<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY-DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know in 1979, the interior of the sanctuary was completely redecorated and insulation was placed in the ceiling of several rooms of the education building. Also a new roof and siding were placed on the parsonage along with a new roof installed on the sanctuary...and now you know 😊

\*WELCOME SONG

# No Matter

$\text{♩} = 120$

No mat-ter who, — no mat-ter what — no mat-ter where you are on the  
 jour-ney of life; you're wel- come, wel- come in this place. — No mat-ter  
 who, — no mat-ter what, — no mat-ter where you are on the  
 jour-ney of life: ac- cept- ed, wel- comed by God's grace. grace.

*To verses* | *Last time, Fine*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, hear, and learn the words of God.

People: **We will keep God's words in our hearts.**

Leader: We will teach them to our children.

People: **We will recite them at home and away; when we lie down and when we rise up. Together, we worship the God who loves us enough to teach us how to live!**

## \*HYMN

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

No. 96

# O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 96

N.C.  $\frac{G}{B}$  G D G D7 Em D G  $\frac{D7}{F\#}$  G D

1 O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,  
 2 My gra-cious Mas-ter and my God, as-sist me to pro-claim,  
 3 Je-sus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor-rows cease,  
 4 He breaks the power of can-celled sin, he sets the pris-oner free;  
 5 To God all glo-ry, praise, and love be now and ev-er given

D G  $\frac{G}{B}$  C  $\frac{G}{D}$  D7 G

the glo-ries of my God and King, the tri-umphs of his grace!  
 to spread thro' all the earth a-broad the hon-ors of your name.  
 'tis mu-sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 his blood can make the foul-est clean, his blood a-vailed for me.  
 by saints be-low and saints a-bove, the Church in earth and heaven.

WORDS: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.  
 MUSIC: Carl G. Gläser (1784-1829); arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

AZMON  
 C.M.

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

Leader: With the humility of students who struggle but can't quite grasp our lessons, let us confess our sins to God and one another.

## \*CONFESSION

Leader: Guiding God, you have gifted us with your commandments to help us love you with all we are, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

We confess we have failed to follow your commandments as well as we should have.

**People: We have failed to trust you to care for us.**

**We have tried to be the god of our own lives and the lives of others.**

**We have not listened to your call, nor lived in faithfulness to you.**

**We have caused harm directly and indirectly to ourselves, our neighbors, and your creation.**

**Leader: In your infinite grace and mercy, forgive and restore us, so that with your help, we might become the people you created us to be.**

**People: God, forgive us. Lord, hear our prayer.**

*(TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION)*

\*PARDON

**Leader: Beloved siblings in Christ, hear the Good News: By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are made a new creation in Christ Jesus, and through his selfless sacrifice, God forgives all our sins.**

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and empowered to walk with God in newness of life. Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Amen!**

\*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory Be to the Father*

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# Glory Be to the Father

*Gloria Patri*

Richard K. Avery and Donald S. Marsh, 1967

F B♭ F C7 F C7 F

Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther, and the Son, and the Ho-ly Ghost;

The first system of music features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in 4/4 time and begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B♭4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line. Chord symbols F, B♭, F, C7, F, C7, and F are placed above the vocal line.

Gm C7 F Dm

As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The second system continues the vocal and piano parts. The vocal line has a half rest followed by quarter notes G4, A4, B♭4, and C5. The piano accompaniment continues with the same texture. Chord symbols Gm, C7, F, and Dm are placed above the vocal line.

Gm C7 F Gm C7

world with-out end. A - men. As it was in the be-gin-ning, is

The third system concludes the piece. The vocal line has a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B♭4, and C5. The piano accompaniment continues. Chord symbols Gm, C7, F, Gm, and C7 are placed above the vocal line.



F Dm Gm C7 F

now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

Am Dm Gm C7 Am Dm Gm

A - men. A - men. A - men. A - men.

C7 Am Dm Gm C7 F Bb F

A - men. A - men. A - men.



## God's Word Is Proclaimed

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 5:6-21; 6:4-9 (OT) pg.162

*<sup>6</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>7</sup>you shall have no other gods before me. <sup>8</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>9</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>10</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. <sup>11</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. <sup>12</sup>Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>14</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup>Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day. <sup>16</sup>Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, so that your days may be long and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. <sup>17</sup>You shall not murder. <sup>18</sup>Neither shall you commit adultery. <sup>19</sup>Neither shall you steal. <sup>20</sup>Neither shall you bear false witness against your neighbor. <sup>21</sup>Neither shall you covet your neighbor's wife. Neither shall you desire your neighbor's house, or field, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.*

*<sup>4</sup>Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup>Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. <sup>8</sup>Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, <sup>9</sup>and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*

<sup>28</sup>*One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, “Which commandment is the first of all?”* <sup>29</sup>*Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one;’* <sup>30</sup>*you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’* <sup>31</sup>*The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”*

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

*(Our youngest disciples are invited to come to the chancel steps for a special word. Afterwards, they are invited to take a worship bag and return to their seats.)*

\*HYMN

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

No. 358

## 358 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

B $\flat$     E $\flat$ /  
B $\flat$     B $\flat$     F7    B $\flat$     F/  
E $\flat$     E $\flat$     B $\flat$ /  
F    F7    B $\flat$

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel-ling, Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled breast;  
3 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy life re - ceive;  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less let us be;

E $\flat$     B $\flat$     F7    F $\sharp$ dim7    Gm    E $\flat$     B $\flat$ /  
F    F7    B $\flat$

fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.  
let us all in thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest.  
sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave.  
let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee:

Gm    Gm    Gm    D7    Gm    D    B $\flat$     E $\flat$ /  
B $\flat$     B $\flat$     D    C    F7

Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;  
Take a - way the love of sin - ning, Al - pha and O - me - ga be;  
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,  
changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place,

B $\flat$     E $\flat$     B $\flat$     F7    F $\sharp$ dim7    Gm    E $\flat$     B $\flat$ /  
F    F7    B $\flat$

vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
end of faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

## MOMENT FOR MISSION

We Respond to God's Word

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Friends in Christ,

God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as dear to us as our own. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world.

Leader: On behalf of the earth, that it may be free from war, famine, and disease, and that the air, soil, and waters may be cleansed of poison, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: On behalf of those who govern and maintain peace through your world, that they may exercise their powers in obedience to your commands, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: On behalf of those who comfort and empower those who are facing sickness, disability, the poor, the oppressed, those who grieve and those in prison, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: On behalf of those we know and those we do not who especially need to feel your comforting presence and grace. Today we lift up to your tender mercy, Tavi Haastrup, Rob Paul, Greg Maurer, Bart Maurer, Karen Vornholt, Terri Mullins, Denise Joyce, Bev Poppe, Ann Hudson, Nancy Moots, and Dee Schroer.

For these, and those we hold silently in our hearts, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: On behalf of those who do not recognize your lordship, those who worship false gods, those who insist on constant work without rest, those who despise the ones who nurtured and cared for them, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: On behalf of those who hate with mortal hatred, whose loving vows are meaningless, who steal and lie as a matter of course, whose lust is unabated, we pray to you, O God:

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Eternal God,  
teach us to love you not only in mind and heart but also in purpose and action, that we may love the children of the earth, living ever as Jesus himself taught us to live when he taught us to pray, 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

\*DOXOLOGY     *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*     No.34  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*  
*Praise God, all creatures high and low.*  
*Praise God, in Jesus fully known.*  
*Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Amen.*

# 592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Doxology*

OLD HUNDREDTH LM

Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709

Genevan Psalter, 1551

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are: "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." The asterisk (\*) is placed above the word "Him" in the original image.

\*HYMN OF SENDING

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

No. 61

# There's a Wideness in God's Mercy 61

Bb
F7sus  
C
F7  
C
F7  
A
F7
Bb2
Bb
Eb
Bb  
D
F7  
C
Bb G7
C
C7
F

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer-cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
 2 There is wel-come for the sin-ner and more grac-es for the good;  
 3 For the love of God is broad-er than the meas-ure of our mind;  
 4 If our love were but more sim-ple, we would take him at his word,

F7
Bb
F7  
A
F7
Bb
Gm
Ebm  
Gb
Bb  
F
D  
F#
Gm Eb
Fsus
F
F7
Bb

there's a kind-ness in his jus-tice which is more than lib-er-ty.  
 there is mer-cy with the Sav-ior; there is heal-ing in his blood.  
 and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-ful-ly kind.  
 and our lives would be il-lu-mined by the pres-ence of our Lord.

WORDS: Frederick W. Faber (1814-1863)  
 MUSIC: Lizzie S. Tourjée (1858-1913)

WELLESLEY  
 8.7.8.7.



\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: *Pass the Love*

Pass the Love

Musical score for "Pass the Love" in 4/4 time, tempo J=95. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics and guitar chords. The chords are: F, Gm7, F, Gm7, F/A, F/Bb, Gm9, C7; F, Gm7, F, Gm7, F/A, F/Bb, Gm9, G7, C; Fmaj7, Dm, F/G, F/C; Am7, Dm7, Gm7, F/C, C7, F.

Love our God, ev - 'ry day, praise with joy go-ing on your way.

Pass it on, t'all you meet, ev - 'ry day in— ev - 'ry way.

Love our Ho - ly God. Pray with hope each day.

Bless the Ho - ly Name. Praise our— God.

\*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 the Poepelman and Knost families by John and Nancy Knost.

After Sunday's worship, please take home your altar flowers. They will be kept in the church office after Sunday.

**Circle of Friends Cards** for you to sign are for Kohneita Lear (East door), Kerri Loney (South door), and Jim Scheer (North door). Recipients appreciate the cards you sign.

**Participants-** October 1 | Bible Study-21, Sunday School Youth-17, Teachers-7, Worship In-Person-79, Online-63

Online number comes from the "1 minute views" through Facebook's insights.

**2024 Council Candidates-** We are looking for council candidates to fill these positions: Vice President, Jr. Elder, Jr. Deacon, Treasurer, and a Youth Representative. If you feel God is laying this on your heart or you would like to nominate someone, please reach out to the church office or Myra Hanenkratt.

**2024 Altar Flower Chart** is posted (January-June). Please sign up for the date(s) you would like. You may also call the church office to sign up. 2024 altar flower price will be \$40.00. Thank you.

### **October Monthly Mission: Neighbors in Need**

In 2023, the Neighbors in Need "Behold!" theme continues. This year's focus is on environmental justice. Plastics, electronics, and other non-compostable wastes are being shipped across, and even tossed into, our waterways, launched into space, as well as buried in landfills. As people of faith, we believe these egregious acts are sinful and unholy. We must be better stewards of our planet!

Let's join together to promote this year's NIN "Behold!" campaign at our church. As you may recall, one-third of the offering supports Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds are used by Justice and Witness Ministries to provide grants to UCC churches and organizations as well as

supporting a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

The Neighbors in Need (NIN) offering will be collected throughout the month of October here at St. Paul UCC in New Bremen. You may donate by placing your money or check in an envelope marked NIN and place it in the offering plate, or online at [stpaulnb.org](http://stpaulnb.org). Thank you for your generosity.

## OCTOBER EVENTS

**October 8<sup>th</sup> | Worship Team Meeting-** will be in the assembly room following worship.

**October 10<sup>th</sup> | Church Council Meeting-** will be held at 7:00pm in the assembly room.

**October 12<sup>th</sup> | Women's Service Group-** We will be traveling to VOSH/Ohio, in Pandora, OH for a work day, sorting and cleaning eyeglasses. We will meet at 7:30 AM in the St. Paul parking lot, for ride sharing/carpooling. We will be working at VOSH from 9 AM to 12 noon. Afterwards, we will be enjoying lunch at Pandora's Lunch Box. Husbands and guests are welcome to join us. Please RSVP to June Oaks, by calling or texting: 513-222-3810; or by email: [junemoaks2@gmail.com](mailto:junemoaks2@gmail.com) by 10/10/2023.

**October 16<sup>th</sup> | Deadline for Monthly Mailer Submissions-** Please submit any information you would like included in the November mailer to the church office email [stpaulnb@nktelco.net](mailto:stpaulnb@nktelco.net) by Monday, October 16. Thank you!

**October 18<sup>th</sup> | Youth Fall Outing-** please join us at Van Demark Farm at 6pm for The Lost Land and Corn Maze, mini golf, petting zoo, hay rides, giant swing, and bonfire!

## OTHER NOTEWORTHY INFORMATION

**St Paul UCC Job Openings-**The following positions are or will be available in the near future: Office Administrator, 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 Office Administrator is a part-time position which includes bulletin creation, keeper of vital church records, and phone answering among other tasks.

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.

**St. Paul Church Nursery Announcement-**The St. Paul Church Nursery is open on Communion Sunday (First Sunday of each month). If you would like to volunteer, please contact Justine Homan, Nursery Champion, at 937-658-1770.

**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- Paper Towels, Kleenex, Laundry Soap, Toothpaste-Adult, Deodorant (Men's and Women's), Shaving Cream, Vaseline, Softener Sheets, Shampoo, Conditioner, Dish Soap, Sanitary Napkins/Tampons, Diaper Cream/Desitan, Baby Wipes, Baby Shampoo, Diapers (Sizes: Newborn and 1-6). Thank you!** There is a container outside the East and North Educational Building doors for donations.

**Want to be part of the Prayer Chain?** Please contact Prayer Chain Champion, Jeff Paul at [jrpaul@nktelco.net](mailto:jrpaul@nktelco.net) or 419-305-0584. The St. Paul Prayer Chain has two formats: texting and email. All are welcome.

## Calendar-Week of October 8, 2023

Sunday	9:00am	Sunday School
	9:00am	Bible Study
	10:15am	Worship
		In Person & via Facebook Live
	11:30am	Worship Team 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	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
	5:30pm-6:30pm	Splash
	6:30pm	Youth Dinner
	7:00pm-8:00pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00pm-8:00pm	Jr/Sr High Youth Group
Thursday	7:30am	Women's Service-Work Day
	1:00pm-3:00pm	Blessing Pantry Open
Friday	10:00am	Office Closed

### 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.



Accepting:

- New/gently used heavy winter coats
- New winter hats
- New winter gloves
- New winter scarves
- New socks


Agape  
Ministries, Inc



Warm  
**Winter**  
Coat Drive

September 19th -  
October 30th





**St. Paul Youth Fall Outing**  
**@ Van Demark Farm**

2401 S. Vandemark Road- Sidney

Wednesday. October 18th

6:00 pm- Join us!

The LostLand Corn Maze.

Mini Golf. Petting Zoo.

Hay Rides. Giant Swing.

Bonfire

