



Welcome! We are so glad you have joined us for worship. Online family, please feel free to share your prayer requests and other reflections in the comments.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 | 11:00am WORSHIP

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17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome

Rev. Darren Brandon

Prelude

Dr. Jim McFarland, piano

Lighting of the Candles - the Entrance of the Light of Christ

*Opening Prayer

Rev. Dustin Woods

It is good to be together, God,
Whether here in this building or virtually,
We come to listen for your voice and be united by your Spirit.
We long to feel you near and to know more of you.
May we worship you with our whole hearts.
May we walk with you, humbly, closely, daily.

*Opening Hymn 127

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

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Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;
be thou still my strength and shield.
When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee; I will ever give to thee.

(Musicians: Congregation, Chancel Choir, Jim McFarland)

Anthem

Indescribable

Reeves/Story, arr Albritton

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From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea, Creation's revealing Your majesty. From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of spring; Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings. All exclaiming:
Indescribable, uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky And You know them by name. You are amazing God. All powerful untamable, Awestruck we fall to our knees, As we humbly proclaim You are amazing God.
Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go? Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow? Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light, Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom.
Indescribable, uncontainable You placed the stars in the sky And You know them by name; You are amazing God.
Incomparable, unchangeable You see the depths of my heart And You love me the same; You are amazing God.
(Musicians: Youth Choir)

PROCLAIMING

Children's Moment

Deborah Elbert

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart; down in my heart; down in my heart;
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy, down in my heart; down in my heart to stay.

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Children are invited to join Deborah up front for the children's moment.

Prayer for Illumination

Niamh Lutes

Psalter

Psalm 63

This is the Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:46-52

Rev. Darren Brandon

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Sermon

Longing for More

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Dustin Woods

Who shall separate us from the Love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen

*Hymn 453

More Love the Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

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More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest; now thee alone I seek, give what is best.

This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

**Let sorrow do its work, come grief and pain; sweet are thy messengers, sweet their refrain,
when they can sing with me: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!**

**Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise; this be the parting cry my heart shall raise;
this still its prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!**

(Musicians: Congregation, Chancel Choir, Jim McFarland)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Cullen Hornaday

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Offering

Rev. Dustin Woods

*Doxology (Hymn 94)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Hymn 400**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

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Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

(Musicians: Congregation, Chancel Choir, Jim McFarland)

SENDING FORTH

***Benediction**

Rev. Darren Brandon

***Choral Benediction**

Postlude

Dr. Jim McFarland, piano

Candles Are Extinguished as the Light of Christ Precedes Us into the World

**Stand as you are able.*

Today is Cullen Hornaday's last official day as a staff member. While she will continue to be a vital part of our church, she is retiring from her role as Director of Spiritual Formation. Please send a card to thank her for her years of ministry or to share a fond memory you have to the church office.

Acolyte today is Jenny Ebendorf.

Today's online greeter is Sal Rubino.

Register your attendance today and share prayer requests by scanning the QR code to the right



Next Week in Worship

Space: FLC | Time: Koinonia 9:00am | Traditional 11:00am

Sermon: *Solitude and Silence (Sacred Rhythms pp29-44)* | Rev. Darren Brandon

Livestream at 11:00am on Facebook

Scriptures for the Week: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22, Psalm 124, James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

Childcare is available for worship from 8:15 am to 12:15 pm | Ages Birth through Pre-K

Wesley Night Activities

New Baking Ministry for all ages | Wednesdays at 5:00pm | Common Cup

Children's Choirs for ages three through sixth grade | All kids are welcome to join the fun! | 6pm Music Milestones Class for ages 3-5, 7pm Joyful Song Choir for grades 1-3, and Wesleyan Choir for grades 4-6.

Kids Club | Grades 1-6 | 6:30-7:00pm | Gym

Youth Jam and Hang Out | Grades 7-12 | 6:30-8:00 | Youth Center

Wesley Night Bible Study | *Ephesians: Who We Are and How We Live in Christ* | by Rev. Dustin Woods. In Person Meeting in room 113 on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00. Zoom option available also.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Resource Center Needs | We have ongoing needs to support both our onsite Resource Center and our Mobile Resource Center. To make it easier to donate, we've created wish lists at Amazon and Dollar Days. We are still in the process of adding items, so check the lists regularly. Every donation helps a person in need! **Amazon Wish List:** <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2KBB4ZUB5F8QJ?> **Dollar Days Wish List:** <https://www.dollardays.com/stpaulresourcecenter/wishlist.html>

Join St. Paul's Children's Ministry as we experience Bible history at the life-size Noah's Ark | Meet Noah, his family, and the animals on the Ark. November 6th | Adult Ark Ticket \$49.95 (ages 18-59) Senior Ark Ticket \$39.95 (ages 60 and up) Youth Ark Ticket \$24.95 (ages 11-17) Kids (ages 5-10) are free in 2021! Kids 4 and under are free! | REGISTRATION REQUIRED! <https://stpaulchurchky.shelbnextchms.com/external/form/0db71abd-d15e-4bd2-8d66-2016b0e29a7d>

All are welcome to join the Sacred Rhythms Zoom group starting today at 12:15pm | This group will follow the sermon series based on the book Sacred Rhythms. Today's session will cover the Introduction, pp. 11-17. Facilitated by Cullen Hornaday | Topic: Sacred Rhythms Small Group | Meet Sundays at 12:15pm through Oct. 31 | Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87511293526>

Children's Online Sunday School Option: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MzgyNjkyMDY1OTMw?cjc=wdek5ok>

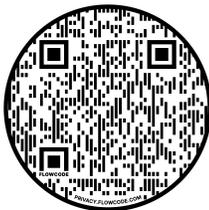
Office Hours: Monday and Wednesday, 10:00am-1:00pm

Check the St. Paul Website (stpaulchurchky.org) for more information on these and other activities.

Prayer requests can be sent to prayer@stpaulchurchky.org.

Sign up for the St. Paul weekly email and Tower newsletter at the website (bottom of homepage) or by emailing info@stpaulchurchky.org.

Follow the flowcode to get to the online *Sacred Rhythms* Study Guide:



Sacred Rhythms Study

Each Sunday worship service will introduce a chapter and spiritual discipline. During the week, you're invited to learn more about each discipline and experience it.

September 26, 2021 "Solitude and Silence" | pp. 29-44 (Chapter 2)

October 3, 2021 "Encountering God through Scripture" | pp. 45-61 (Chapter 3)

October 10, 2021 "Prayer" | pp. 62-90 (Chapters 4 and 5)

October 17, 2021 "Discernment" | pp. 91-129 (Chapters 6 and 7)

October 24, 2021 "Creating a Sacred Rhythm" | pp. 130-166 (Chapters 8 and 9)



Youth choir and regular youth activities
Sundays | Choir - 5:00pm | Youth Group - 6:00pm

KICS Schedule
Meets Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month | 4:00-5:30

Tweens Schedule
Meets Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month | 4:00-5:30

Worship Updates

Due to issues with the air conditioning in the sanctuary, we continue to have all services in the Family Life Center until the AC is fixed. **We plan on returning to worshipping in the sanctuary on October 31st.**

In accordance with guidance from The Kentucky Annual Conference COVID Re-entry Plan, we continue to request people to wear a mask and practice social distancing while in the church buildings. We will have masks available for those who need one.

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