

**St. Paul Church**  
A UNITED METHODIST COMMUNITY

Welcome! Whether you're visiting or looking for a church home, it is great to have you here!. We pray that you will find a deeper connection with God through one of our two services.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023 | 11:00am WORSHIP

<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulumcky>

## 5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome

Rev. Dustin Woods

Prelude

*Praise the Lord, the Mighty King of Honor*  
Dr. Jim McFarland, organ

J.S. Bach

\*Call to Worship

Rev. Jim Murphy

We come seeking Jesus, the Light of the world!

**Shine in our hearts Lord Jesus. Show us the sin and fear that separates us from you.**

We believe in the strength of God to illuminate dark places of our hearts.

**The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness shall not overcome it.**

Lord, in this time of worship, draw us near to you and rekindle in us the light of your love.

**Let your light shine in us and through us, now and forever.**

\*Opening Hymn 139

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
Stanza 2: Women; Stanza 4: Men

LOBE DEN HERREN

Invitation to Holy Communion

Rev. Jim Murphy

Confession and Pardon (hymnal p 12)

### PROCLAIMING

Prayer for Illumination

Georganna Dunn

Psalter

Psalms 112:1-9 (OT, p 532)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:13-20 (NT, p 4)

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Sermon

*Salt and Light*

Rev. Dustin Woods

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

The Great Thanksgiving

Musical Setting D, p. 23 in the hymnal

## Distribution

St Paul intentionally celebrates communion in a variety of ways. Today we are using pre-cut bread, served with tongs and the cup served to from the tray. Today we are receiving the sacrament at the rail. As the ushers direct, the congregation will come down the side aisles, kneel at the rail, and receive bread and cup. The pastors will offer a dismissal and you will return to your seat by the center aisle. Prepackaged elements are available for those who prefer those. All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

**Under Distribution**

*Time Now to Gather*  
Chancel Choir

Keithahn/Horman

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Jim Murphy

**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**

*You are the Light of the World*  
Chancel Choir  
Text is Matthew 5:14-16

C. Alwes

**\*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!**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Jim Murphy

## SENDING FORTH

**\*Hymn 670**

*Go Forth for God*

GENEVA

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Dustin Woods

**\*Choral Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Toccata*  
Dr. Jim McFarland, organ

D. Buxtehude

### **Next Week in Worship**

Koinonia 9:00am – Gym | Traditional 11:00am – Sanctuary

Livestream at 11:00am on Facebook

Sermon | Rev. Darren Brandon

Scriptures for the Week: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

Lay Reader: Scouting Ministry – Psalm 119:1-8

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

## WORSHIP TODAY

Today's online greeter is Sara Ferebee.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are in honor of the 96th birthday (February 1) of Lena Sleamaker with love from her daughters Georganna Dunn and Susan Henderson.

**CONNECTION CARDS** may be placed in the offering plates or given to ushers at the end of service or use the flow code to the right.



## CHILDREN

**Childcare** is available for infants through pre-k from 8:15am to 12:15pm in room 200.

**Children's Church** is held on the third floor. Children dismissed for children's church after the Children's Moment may be picked up in room 310.

## TODAY

**8:30am Coffee & Donuts** (Common Cup)

**9:00am Worship - KOINONIA** (Gym)

**10:00am Sunday School**

**10:00am Confirmation** (Youth Center)

**11:00am Worship - Traditional** (Sanctuary)

**5:00pm Youth Choir** (302)

**6:00pm Youth Group** (McAdams Hall, YC, CC)

**8:00pm AA Meeting** (100)

## LAY READER SCHEDULE

Feb. 12: Scouting Ministry – Psalm 119:1-8

Feb. 19: Debbie Wesslund – Psalm 99

Feb. 26: Lori Brandon – Psalm 32

March 5: Mark Johnson – Genesis 12:1-4a

## THIS WEEK: FEBRUARY 6–11, 2023

### MONDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm  
5:30pm AA Meeting (100)

### TUESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm  
10:00am Sr Adult Wellness Class (McAdams)  
10:00am Worship Staff Meeting (Youth Center)  
11:00am Staff Meeting (Youth Center)  
6:30pm DBSA Writing Group (111)  
7:00pm AA Meeting (100)  
7:00pm Kaleidoscope (Youth Center)  
7:00pm Scouts (gym)  
7:30pm DBSA (110, 113)

### WEDNESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm  
10:00am Women's Bible Study (113)  
10:30am Guided Meditation (Zoom)  
6:00pm Wesley Night Activities (see below)

### THURSDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm  
10:00am Discernment group (Zoom)  
10:00am Sr Adult Wellness Class (McAdams)  
6:00pm AA Meeting (111)  
6:00pm Cub Scouts (Family Life Center)  
7:15pm Chancel Choir (302)  
7:30pm DBSA (110, 113)

### FRIDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm

### SATURDAY

10:00am Spiritual Actions AA Group (100)  
11:00am Mobile Resource Center (4th Ave. UMC)  
8:00pm AA Group Mtg. (100)

**The Church Office Will Now Be Open  
Monday–Friday 10am-2pm**

## WESLEY NIGHT | Wednesdays | 6-9pm

Dinner | 6-7pm | McAdams Hall | Caterer: Chick-Fil-A

RSVP for Dinner here: <https://www.stpaulchurchky.org/ministries/wesley-night/>

Music Milestones (Ages 3-K) | 6-6:30pm | Room 306

Open Gym for grades 1-6 (accompanied by trusted adult) | 6:00-7:00pm | Gym

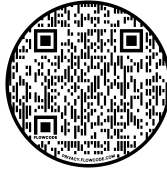
Youth Jam and Hangout | 6:30-8pm | Youth Center

Joyful Song Choir (1st-3rd Grade) | 7-7:45pm | Room 306

Wesleyan Choir (4th-6th Grade) | 7-8pm | Room 302

Adult Book Study | *Christianity at Work* | Led by Paul Wesslund | 7-8pm | McAdams Hall

Check the St. Paul Website ([stpaulchurchky.org](http://stpaulchurchky.org)) for more information on these and other activities or scan the QR code to the right for quick links to lots of St. Paul info!



Prayer requests can be sent to [prayer@stpaulchurchky.org](mailto: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](mailto:info@stpaulchurchky.org).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**WOMEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY** | Meets Wednesdays at 10:00am | They are currently studying on the book of Acts. All women are welcome! Sign up at the Information Center on the 2nd floor.

**CONFIRMATION** | Confirmation classes have begun! This year, we have eight youth in our confirmation class. Please be in prayer for these young people: Carter Bernard, Sofia Elbert, Quenton Horton, Caroline Keith, Eleanor Keith, Samuel Meadows, Cash Northington, Abe Peña - Confirmation Sunday will be May 7th.

**PARENTS NIGHT OUT** | Saturday, February 11th 5:30-8:30pm | Have your child/ren ages birth-6th grade join us for an evening of fun while you get a much-deserved break. | \$15/child with a family cap of \$25. Claim your spot by emailing Lorie Williamson at [Loriew@stpaulchurchky.org](mailto:Loriew@stpaulchurchky.org) by Wednesday, February 8th.

**YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY** | February 12th 6:00pm - Half Time | Pizza and Ice Cream drop as pre-game fun!

**ACTIVE AGING ADULT INTRODUCTORY WELLNESS CLASS** | Tuesdays & Thursdays at 10:00am in McAdams Hall, beginning February 21 | SPAMS (St. Paul Adult Ministry for Seniors) and Expressive Avenues: Wellness will sponsor another introductory class using the holistic program Learning HOW to Age®. The class develops skills for mental flexibility, physical perception, and kinesthetic awareness - three areas of wellness neglected in other wellness programs. Angie Dortch facilitates the class, which is limited to ten participants to insure individual attention from the facilitator and team building. There is NO cost to individual participants. Please sign up at the Information Center (2nd floor) or call the church office at 459-1595. To learn more or watch video testimonials, please visit the St. Paul website: <https://www.stpaulchurchky.org/active-aging-adults/>

**WE NEED YOU!** | Can you give 2.5 hours a month? Are you technically inclined? Can you run a PowerPoint presentation? Are you itching to learn a new skill? | We need volunteers to help us with those behind-the-scenes things. Some of these tasks are as simple as running a PowerPoint presentation. Some are more difficult and complex, but all of them can be taught to those willing to learn. You can: run the computer for the Koinonia service • run the soundboard for the Koinonia service • run the cameras and computer for the Facebook Live service in the traditional service • run the soundboard in the Sanctuary | Contact Lori Elbert at [lori@stpaulchurchky.org](mailto:lori@stpaulchurchky.org) for more information or to volunteer.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!!** | Please consider teaching Sunday School! Choose from art, cooking, games, science, storytelling/drama, missions, or spiritual practices. A two-week commitment over a three-week period is all that is needed. Curriculum and materials provided! Contact Lorie Williamson at [loriew@stpaulchurchky.org](mailto:loriew@stpaulchurchky.org) to help!

**A TASTE OF THE HIGHLANDS, MARDI GRAS! 2023** | A fundraiser for Highlands Community Ministries | Tuesday, February 21 at 5:30pm | Tickets are \$50 - Must be 21 years or older | Featuring savory and sweet tastes from the city's best collection of local, unique, and eclectic restaurants. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-taste-of-the-highlands-mardi-gras-2023-tickets-513167236017>

**HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY MINISTRY LENTEN LUNCH SERIES** | Thursdays March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 12:00-1:00pm | Location: Highland Baptist Church, 1101 Cherokee Road, fellowship hall (parking lot entrance) | Caterer: Soul Food by Tiffany (soups, bread)

### A Lenten Journey: From Ashes to Joy Ash Wednesday Services - February 22

**Ashes and a Blessing on the Corner: 10:00-11:30am**

**Noon Ash Wednesday Service and Soup Lunch:** a brief service, including pastoral meditation, music, and imposition of ashes. Service is followed by a light soup lunch in McAdams Hall following the service.

**Evening Ash Wednesday Service:** 7:00pm, features music by the Wesleyan Choir (grades 4-6), pastoral message, and imposition of the ashes. It will conclude with an outdoor fire pit where we offer to God those things that are hindering us and barriers to our spiritual growth.

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