



koinonia {koy-nohn-ee'-ah}
(n): community, communion, fellowship
(v): to share, to contribute, to be one

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024 | 9:00am SERVICE

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Scripture Lessons: 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:1-8

Sermon: *Abide in Christ*
Rev. Darren Brandon

TODAY'S SONGS

I See the Lord
God Is For Us
There Is One Gospel
Abide
You Alone are Holy
For the Cause

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Worship Team
Lay Reader: Jimmy Switzer
Communion Servers:
Ann and Russ Riedling

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ[a] has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

John 15:1-8

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

YOU MAY GIVE YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

by placing them in the offering plates as they are passed. Baskets are on the front pews as you come up for communion and on the table by the cross for our Good Samaritan Fund.

CONNECTION CARDS may be placed in the offering plates or fill out an online card using the Flowcode to the right.



LAY READER SCHEDULE

May 12: Ann Curtis – 1 John 5:9-13

Would you like to be a lay reader? Contact Pastor Darren at darren@stpaulchurchky.org or Lori at lori@stpaulchurchky.org

CHILDREN

CHILDCARE is available for infants through pre-k from 8:45am-12:15pm in room 200.

All children are invited to participate in worship by choosing worship materials from the Children's Worship Cart located in back of the worship space.

TO ADULTS WITH KIDS: Relax! God put the wiggle in children, and you don't need to suppress it in God's house. Consider sitting toward the front where it might be easier for your kids to see and hear. If you need to leave the service at any point, feel free to do so - but please come back! We want you and your kids to feel welcome and cherished.

TO OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH: the presence of children is a gift and a reminder that our faith is alive! Please welcome our kids and give a smile of encouragement to their adults.

THIS WEEK: MAY 5–11, 2024

TODAY

8:30am Coffee & Donuts (Common Cup)
9:00am Worship - KOINONIA (Gym)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship - Traditional (Sanctuary)
5:00pm Kids Worship (100, Chapel)
5:00pm Youth Choir (302)
6:00pm Youth Group (McAdams, Youth Center)
8:00pm AA Meeting (100)

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
10:00am United Women in Faith (113)
10:00am Worship Staff Meeting (Youth Center)
11:00am Staff Meeting (Youth Center)
7:00pm Kaleidoscope (Youth Center)
7:00pm AA Meeting (100)
7:00pm Scouts (Gym)
7:30pm DBSA (110, 113)

WEDNESDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
10:00am Women's Bible Study (113)
5:00pm Resilience Team (Parlor)
6:00pm Wesley Night Activities (see below)

THURSDAY

Office Open 10am-2pm
6:00pm GLI AA Meeting (McAdams)
6:00pm AA Meeting (111)
6:00pm Cub Scouts (Family Life Center)
7:00pm Communications Team (319)
7:15pm Chancel Choir (302)

FRIDAY

Office Closed

SATURDAY

10:00am AA Meeting (100)
11:00am Mobile Resource Center (4th Ave UMC)
8:00pm AA Meeting (100)

WESLEY NIGHT | Wednesdays | 6-9pm

Dinner | 6-7pm | McAdams Hall | Meal: Home Cooked

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

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

Open Gym and Homework Help for 1st-6th Grade | 6-6:30pm | Gym

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

Joyful Song Choir (1st-3rd Grade) | 7-8pm | Room 306

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

Adult Book Study | *Sunday Matter* | 7-8pm | Room 113

Bells of St. Paul Handbell Choir | 8-9pm | Room 303

My thoughts:

Next Week in Worship

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

Livestream at 11:00am on Facebook

The Greatest Gift | Rev. Darren Brandon

Scriptures for the Week: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1;

John 15:9-17

Lay Reader: Ann Curtis – 1 John 5:9-13

Childcare is available for worship from 8:45am to 12:15pm | Ages Birth through Pre-K

Check the St. Paul Website (stpaulchurchky.org) for more information on these and other activities or scan the QR code to the right for quick links to lots of Next Week in Worship



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.

SERVE

Mobile Resource Center | Saturday, May 11, 11:15am-1:00pm | Fourth Ave UMC | For more info or to volunteer, visit <https://www.stpaulchurchky.org/mobile-resource-center/>

Lay Readers Needed | It is time to create a new Lay Reader Schedule. If you are not already a lay leader but are interested in reading scripture for either of our worship services, please contact Pastor Darren at darren@stpaulchurchky.org to learn more. We would love to include you in the new schedule of lay readers for summer and early fall.

St. Paul Work Day | Saturday, May 18, 9am-2pm | We will be updating Room 100 with new blinds, paint, and decor. If we have enough volunteers, we may also do some work outside McAdams Hall (filling holes/cracks in foundation). Lunch will be provided. If you can help, please email Pastor Dustin at dustin@stpaulchurchky.org.

VBS Volunteer Training | June 2, 12:30-2:30 | Please email tracy@stpaulchurchky.org if you'd like to help serve the families of our community during VBS June 17-21! Safe Sanctuaries training will be included.

SUMMER EVENTS | REGISTER NOW

Vacation Bible School (for age 3 through rising 5th graders) is June 17-21, 9am-noon | Visit www.stpaulchurchky.org/vbs to register!

Project Serve (for rising 5th-7th graders) is June 17-21, 1-4pm | Register at www.stpaulchurchky.org/project-serve

Kids Music Camp (for rising 2nd-7th graders) is July 8-12, 9am-noon, with performances July 14 | Register at <https://www.stpaulchurchky.org/music-camp/>

Loucon Summer Camp | St. Paul will once again cover half the cost for our students to attend Loucon. The church will reimburse families directly. Once you have completed your student's camp registration, please forward your invoice to youth@stpaulchurchky.org. Within three weeks, you will receive a check for half of the regular, pre-tax tuition.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kids Worship Night | Tonight, 5:00-7:00pm | Dropoff will be in Room 100 (please pack a dinner for your child) and pick up will be in the Chapel. Childcare available for younger siblings in Room 200!

Children's Choir Spring Program | Wednesday, May 15, 7pm, Gym | Dinner is served in the Gym from 6-7pm (RSVP by Monday, May 13) | Each of our children's music groups will present music activities and songs they have learned throughout the year and be presented with their yearly choir awards. This will be an exciting evening for our kids, as well as our church family as we celebrate their musical gifts!

Tweens Campout at O'Bannon Woods State Park (for 4th-6th graders) | May 17-18 | Come celebrate the end of a great year of service and fun! Dropoff and pickup in the church parking lot. \$20 per child. Email tracy@stpaulchurchky.org to sign up.

SPAMS Trip to Schimpff's Confectionery | Thursday, May 23, 11:00am-3:00pm | Join the SPAMS as we tour Schimpff's Confectionery in Jeffersonville, IN. The church bus will leave at 11:00am. We will tour the candy store from 12:00-1:00pm, followed by lunch at Upland Brewing Company. Please sign up at the Information Center by May 21.

St. Paul Youth Choir Coffeehouse Concert | Wednesday, May 29, 7pm, Gym | Join our St. Paul Youth Choir for coffee and desserts as they present a variety of music for your enjoyment! We are requesting a few more people to provide home-baked goodies for the coffeehouse. Contact Karla Temple if you would like to add to the desserts for the evening.

Parents Night Out | Friday, May 31, 5:30-8:30pm | Kids up to age 12 will enjoy dinner, gym time, and a movie! \$25/first child, \$5/each additional child. Email tracy@stpaulchurchky.org to sign up.

SPAMS Cruise on the Mary Miller Steamboat | Thursday, June 20, 11:00am-3:00pm | Our trip includes lunch on the steamboat. Tickets are \$37 per person, including meal, or \$25 without meal. Meet at St. Paul at 11:00am. You are welcome to ride on the church bus or drive yourself. Please sign up at the Information Center or by calling the church office (459-1595) by Sunday, May 19.

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