



Welcome to worship! Please use the yellow card to communicate with us. We would gladly receive your prayer request or other information you want to share. Those online may share in the comments section.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2026 | 11:00am WORSHIP

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome

Rev. Darren Brandon

Prelude

Classical Easter

arr. M. Helman

Bells of St. Paul Handbell Ensemble

*Call to Worship

Jane Donovan

Come, people of the risen King, Who delight to bring Him praise.

Come, tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.

We will lift our eyes to Him this day, from the shifting shadows of earth.

Where the steady arms of Christ reach to gather all to Him.

*Opening Hymn 89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin

Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the

dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he

shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Anthem

Shut De Dō

M. Patterson

Youth Choir; percussionists: Mark Tate, Evan Price

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Jane Donovan

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.

PROCLAIMING

Children's Moment

Tracy Martin

Jesus loves me! this I know, For the Bible tells me so;

Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.

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Prayer for Illumination

Tony Glass

Psalter

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (Old Testament p 533)

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

Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:13-35 (New Testament p 84)

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Sermon

Ordinary Moments, Sacred Ground

Rev. Darren Brandon

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Hymn of the Month**

Rise My Soul, the Lord is Risen

RISE, MY SOUL

1. Rise my soul the Lord is risen
Come behold the empty grave
See the place where darkness laid Him
Sing for only hope remains
Hallelujah, Praise forever
Death defeated and life restored
By that great immortal power
Christ is risen, arise my soul!
2. Rest my soul the Lord is risen
Love's redeeming work is done
Now the Father sees His children
As He sees His Sinless Son
O the wonder, O the glory
That same favour is now my own
Shame behind me, grace before me
Christ is risen, arise my soul!

3. Peace my soul, the Lord is risen
Come and have your hope renewed
For this trial is brief and fleeting
Tears will turn to glory soon
Shout with joy and sound the triumph
Let the music of heaven roar
Let the boast of death be silent
Christ is risen, arise my soul!
4. Rise my soul for I am risen
Seated now with Christ my Lord
As my life belongs to heaven
Fear shall hold its sway no more
Onward, upward, t'ward the treasure
Filled with courage and endless hope
For this truth is mine forever
Christ is risen arise my soul!

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Offering

In Christ Alone
Chancel Choir

K. Getty, S. Townend

***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!

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***Prayer of Dedication**

Jane Donovan

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn 165**

Hallelujah! What a Savior

HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR

***Benediction**

Rev. Darren Brandon

Postlude

D'anna Switzer

*Please stand as you are able.

Next Week in Worship (April 26)

Koinonia 9:00am – Gym | Traditional 11:00am – Sanctuary
Livestream at 11:00am on YouTube
Sermon: Rev. Darren Brandon
Scriptures for the Week: Ezekiel 34:7-15; Psalm 100;
1 Peter 2:19-25; John 10:1-10
Lay Reader: Alice Abbott-Moore: Acts 2:42-46
Acolytes: Melody Krause & Louis LeBlanc
Liturgist: Lori Brandon

Lay Reader Schedule

May 3 – Sara Cox: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
May 10 – Lori Brandon: Psalm 66:8-20
May 17 – Youth Futures

Liturgist Schedule

May 3 – Jane Donovan
May 10 – Niamh Lutes
May 17 – Youth Futures

WORSHIP TODAY

ONLINE GREETER is Cathy Miller

THE ALTAR FLOWERS today are provided by the Smith family in memory of Kim's mom, Lucia.

ACOLYTES today are Evelyn Aten & Arthur Pieroni

YELLOW CONNECTION CARDS are a way you can request more information about our church or ask for prayer. You may place your card in the offering plate or give it to an usher after the service. You can also fill out an online connection card using the Flowcode below.



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

CHILDREN

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

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. You're also welcome to spend time in the Mary-Martha room (rear of the sanctuary) or the Parlor, where there are speakers and you can listen to the worship service.

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: APRIL 19–25, 2026

TODAY 8:30am Coffee & Donuts (CC) 9:00am Worship - KOINONIA (Gym) 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship - Traditional (Sanctuary) 4:00pm Kids Worship Night (100, Ch) 5:00pm Youth Choir (302) 6:00pm Youth Group (MSH, Gym, YC) 8:00pm AA Meeting (100)	TUESDAY Office Open 10am-2pm (208) 10:00am Faith Quilters (100) 7:00pm AA Meeting (100) 7:00pm Scouts (Gym) 7:30pm DBSA – Depression and Bipolar Support Assoc. (110, 113)	THURSDAY Office Open 10am-2pm (208) 6:00pm AA Meeting (111) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (302) 7:30pm DBSA– Depression and Bipolar Support Assoc. (110, 113)
MONDAY Office Open 10am-2pm (208) 5:30pm AA Meeting (100) 7:00pm Iris Trio in Concert (Sanctuary) 7:00pm Men's Group (CC)	WEDNESDAY Office Open 10am-2pm (208) 10:00am Women's Bible Study (113) 6:00pm Wesley Night Activities (see below) MSH - McAdams Social Hall; CC - Common Cup; YC - Youth Center Ch-Chapel	FRIDAY Office Closed
		SATURDAY 9:00am-3:00pm Boy Scout Flower Sale 10:00am AA Meeting (100) 8:00pm AA Meeting (100)

WESLEY NIGHT | Wednesdays | 6-9pm

Dinner | 6-7pm | McAdams Hall | Meal: Pizza

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 Study | *Creation Care and Storytelling* | 7-8pm | Room 113

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

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 St. Paul info!



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

Sign up for the St. Paul weekly email, Pastor Darren's Weekly Phone message, and Tower newsletter at the website (bottom of homepage) or by emailing info@stpaulchurchky.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kids Worship Night | Today, 4-6pm, room 100 | Kids in grades K-6 are invited to join us for dinner, outdoor exploration, a nature craft, singing, and a lesson! Bring a friend to share the fun! Childcare provided for younger siblings in room 200.

Iris Trio in Concert | Monday, April 20 at 7:00pm, Sanctuary | St. Paul welcomes the Iris Trio in their latest concert venture: Project Earth. Free and open to all.

Scout Troop 40 & Pack 40 Flower Sale | If you ordered flowers, please pick them up on Saturday, April 25, 9:00am-3:00pm in the parking lot of St. Paul. Questions? Please contact troop40ky@gmail.com.

Women of the Word Bible Study | Wednesdays 10:00-11:30am, through May 20, room 113 | Adam Hamilton's "Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say." This 6-week DVD study explores popular sayings that miss the point. Contact Gail Henson at grhenson@gmail.com or just show up!

Game Day | Thursday, April 30, 1-3pm, McAdams Social Hall | All are welcome to join us for an afternoon of games, such as Rummy-Cue, Rook, Pit, and more.

Children's Choir Spring Program "Let It Shine" | May 13 | Dinner at 6:00pm (register after May 6). Program at 7:00pm | Gym | Our children will present music and activities they have learned throughout the year. Come enjoy this joyful ending to our Wesley Night season.

Youth Coffeehouse Concert | Wednesday, May 27, 7:00pm | Gym | Our youth will present fun and exciting music in a relaxed coffeehouse atmosphere. All are invited to celebrate the talents of our youth while enjoying dessert and coffee!

SERVE

Resource Center Needs | *Reusable totes & large shopping bags* | Men's jeans (esp. small) and shoes (all sizes) | Men's short-sleeved t-shirts and shorts | Backpacks | Large women's clothing (3X and up) | Bras (esp. larger sizes) | Books (All genres needed. Large-print Bibles)

WESLEY NIGHT

Creation Care and Storytelling | Wesley Night: Join Us for the Final Weeks! There is still plenty to enjoy at Wesley Night as we wrap up this season together. These final evenings offer a wonderful mix of a focus on creation care and storytelling. It will include inspiration, hands-on service, stories, and thoughtful conversation. Make plans to join us!

- April 22 | Earth Day Beautification Projects
- April 29 | An Evening Exploring Wendell Berry's Work
- May 6 | Story Hour: Coast Guard Rescue and Recovery
- May 13 | *Let It Shine* Children's Choir Spring Concert

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation 2026 is drawing to a close! Next week is Confirmation Sunday. We will celebrate with a Family Breakfast at 10am in McAdams Social Hall. Please continue to pray for our confirmands.

SAVE THE DATE FOR SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Tweens Campout | grades 4-6 | O'Bannon Woods State Park | May 8-9

Youth Fusion Trip | grades 7-12 | June 6-11 | Youth mission/choir trip to Nashville and Birmingham

Vacation Bible School | age 3 through rising 5th graders | June 15-18 | 6:00-8:00pm

Project Serve | rising 5th-7th graders | June 15-18 | 1:00pm-5:00pm

Music Camp | rising 2nd-7th graders | July 13-17 | 9:00am-noon, with performances July 19

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. Please send any questions to the email address above.

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