

August 27, 2023 ~ 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music ~ Mark Handford

Welcome and Announcements ~ Judy McGregor, liturgist

Prelude

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: Great is the Lord and worthy is God of praise!

People: For while we were yet sinners, God showed his love through Jesus Christ.

Leader: Lift up your hearts to the Lord, let him hear our words of praise and our concerns.

People: Our God hears and lovingly responds to us this day and every day. Amen.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn ~ "Come, Now is the Time to Worship"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, you have shown us what true giving love looks like. And you have called us to love God and our neighbors. Yet we confess that often we have not shown mercy and love towards all those who we meet. Too often we have avoided showing love to others. Forgive us, Lord. Turn our hearts to recognize the Image of God in all people and that everyone is our neighbor. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #710 ~ "Sanctuary" (x2)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus ~ "I Love This Family" (arr. C. Bowes) (x2)

I love this family of God, so closely knitted into one,

They've taken me into their midst and I'm so glad to be a part of this great family.

Offering Prayer

***Doxology#606 ~ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (Avery & Marsh)**
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Isaiah 51:1-6

Special Music ~ “All for Jesus” (B. Buda) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ Luke 10:25-37

Message ~ “Please, Won’t You Be My Neighbor”

***Hymn #821 ~ “How Can I Keep from Singing?” (v. 1,2,4)**

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Prayer Preparation ~ “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”
Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

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;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

***Hymn #475 ~ “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

***Benediction**

***Choral Response ~ “My Friends May You Grow in Grace”** (G. Scheer, G. DeMey, G. Kett, S Diamond, T.J. Meaney)
My friends may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.
My friends may you grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.
Refrain: To God be the glory, now and forever, now and forever. Amen.
To God be the glory now and forever, now and forever. Amen.

Postlude

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The flowers are presented today by Yvonne Cameron in loving memory of her late husband, Jack, commemorating what would have been his 85th birthday on August 28.

Chancel Flowers may be ordered from the Board of Deacons for any of the remaining available Sundays in 2023. Order forms are in the office. Please check the chart on the lobby wall for an open date **before** placing your order.

REMINDERS: Regular office hours are Monday (yes, MONDAY!) through Thursday 9AM-5PM – CLOSED on FRIDAY! Website: www.StPaulsPresbyterian.Church; email: sppcemail@stpaulspresbyterian.church

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE



Karen Erwin, Steve Boyak, Andy Foy, Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin
August and Faith Kornowicz
Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim and Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson
Pat Garrett ~ sister of Don Tulley; Nate Statly (MSU shooting victim) ~ friend of Joey Nicholas
Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips
Elizabeth ~ sister-in law of Pat Garvey and Andy ~ nephew of Pat Garvey
Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff
Joan Velis and family; John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
Cousins of Terry Earnley and Jennifer Speiles ~ friend of Terry Earnley
Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit
Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham; Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis