

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

October 20, 2019 ~ A Wonder-Full Life: Looking at Money and Meaning

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." - John 10:10b

Week Two: "Looking In"

Welcome and Announcements ~ The Rev. Paul V. Stunkel

Gathering: Compassion

Prelude ~ Leigh Emmett

Illuminating the Shadows

Hymn #339 ~ *"Be Thou My Vision"*

Litany ~ *responsive*

Leader: We light this flame to affirm that where there is light

People: there is understanding;

Leader: where there is understanding,

People: there is compassion;

Leader: where there is compassion,

People: there is possibility;

Leader: where there is possibility,

People: there is transformation.

Leader: Holy and Living God, transform our fears into awe-inspired wonder.

People: Open us to this light, and to the rich possibilities that it brings us for a "wonder-full" life.

**you are invited to stand as you are able*

***Opening Hymn** ~ *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

***Passing the Peace** ~ *You are invited to greet one another with a sign of God's peace.*

Congregational Song ~ *"A Wonder Full Life Song"*

*To be full of love, to be full of grace,
to be full of peace, is a wonder full life!*

Children's Time of Wonder ~ *All children are invited. At the conclusion, children ages 3 and above have the option to participate in supervised Sunday School.*

Congregational Response ~ *"A Wonder Full Life Song"*

*Giving others love, giving others grace,
giving others peace, is a wonder full life!*

Proclaiming: Curiosity

We become curious-full of “wonder-ing”-further transforming our tendencies of avoiding money issues into a desire to learn more, know more, about the systems of money and our own relationship to it. We explore what our faith story invites us to do about the systems of money in which we find ourselves.

The Word in Music ~ “*All Gift Gifts*” (arr. S. Schwartz) ~ Jeff Velis

Scripture ~ Matthew 6:19-24 ~ p. 6 N.T. with “*Be Thou My Vision*”

Message

Responding: Creativity

This part of the service helps us to “wonder” in a different way. We invite a state of awe at the abundance of our lives by noticing the “rich” beauty around us, the presence of “treasured” people, and new and unexpected “gems” that cross our paths. We commit to engage our creativity to multiply good in the world.

The Wonder of It All: Prayers ~ “*Thank you, Lord*”

*Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord,
thank you, Lord, I just want to thank you Lord.*

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.

Offering Witness ~ *The friendship books are on the pews on the inside aisle. Please sign and pass along.*

Offertory

***Doxology** ~ “*Be Thou My Vision*”

***Offering Prayer**

***Sending Forth: Commitment**

Having walked with God in “looking” into our heart’s relationship to money, we commit to take the practices out into the world and our daily lives with renewed compassion, curiosity and creativity

***Sending Hymn #422** ~ “*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*”

***Benediction** ~ *as directed, please respond...*

Women: “Bread! That this house may never know hunger.

Men: Salt! That life may always have flavor.

All: And wine! That joy and prosperity may reign forever.”

***Postlude**

The flowers are presented today by...

♥Pat and Bill Garvey in honor of the first birthday of their granddaughter, Josephine



The **Pulpit Nominating Committee** thanks you for your patience and prayers as we seek to find St. Paul's next pastor. As this is a **confidential process**, we ask that you respect our privacy as the committee works through the process. We understand you are anxious, however, we seek to maintain the integrity of this search. We will provide details once they are available to be shared with everyone. Thank you again for your patience.

- ◆ **Today is the second week of "It's a Wonder-full Life!"** a four-part worship series that reflects on the meaning of money in our lives as believers. We encourage all members of the congregation to participate in huddle groups that will converse about our own tendencies regarding money in light of the characters from the movie of the same name! **Huddle groups meet at 1:00PM on Thursdays and 9:00AM on Sundays following each week of the series. Choose which group suits your schedule and sign up in the lobby.**
- ◆ Children's Sunday School is seeking willing adults with a love of children to serve as Sunday School Assistants! This position does not require preparation and usually is scheduled to serve once/month during worship. Please see me, email me at christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church, or call 313.719.8467. And if you are interested in teaching a Sunday School class, please contact me for more information.
Kathy Potter, Coordinator of Christian Education



Highlights from the October 15 Council Meeting...

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Volunteers! St. Paul's will serve at **World Medical Relief** in Southfield on **Thursday, October 24 from 9:00AM until Noon.**

Please sign up, **pick up the required volunteer release form**, and meet at 8:30AM to carpool. The site is approximately 15 minutes from the church.

Adult Sunday Forums: The *Christian Century* class and video series **Letters to the Church** is taking a break to allow class members to fully engage with the *It's A Wonder-Full Life* huddle groups. Everyone in the congregation is encouraged to sign up for either Sunday morning at 9:00AM or Thursdays at 1:00PM to discuss our financial personalities.

**All women are cordially invited to Sarah Circle
Wednesday, October 23**

at noon in Room 9

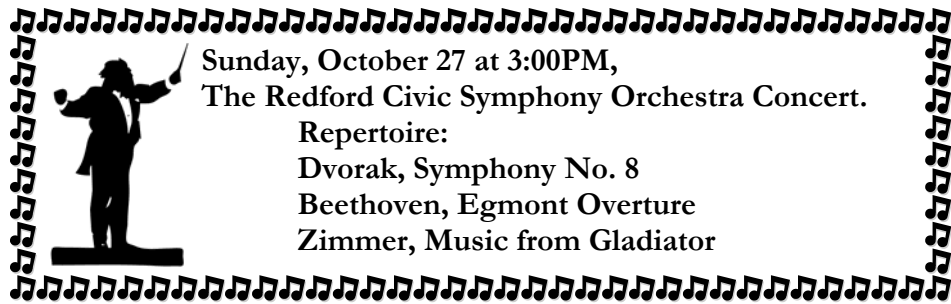
Please bring a lunch and the study book Beatitudes from the Back Side

Questions? Please contact Georgia Hunt at 734.427.3493.



to the 11 walkers (and one canine walker) and to all who donated in support of the annual CROP Walk for World Hunger that took place on Sunday, October 13. Donations on behalf of St. Paul's exceeded \$1,600.00!

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: **Prayer Gatherings** to pray for our church community, ministries, members, and leadership take :
: place at 6:30PM in the Parlor prior to committee meetings (generally on the first Tuesday of :
: each month). (**NOTE:** No gatherings on the third Tuesday). **All** are encouraged to attend, :
: especially anyone who is coming to meetings that night. We are praying through the :
: directory as well as accepting prayer requests which can be left in Kathy Potter's mailbox or :
: emailed to christianeducator@stpaulspresbyterian.church. If you are unable to attend, :
: consider setting aside this or another time to pray for your church family and ministries. :
: **"For where two or three gather in my name, there I am with them." Matthew 18:20.** :
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Sunday, October 27 at 3:00PM,
 The Redford Civic Symphony Orchestra Concert.
 Repertoire:
 Dvorak, Symphony No. 8
 Beethoven, Egmont Overture
 Zimmer, Music from Gladiator

Livonia Community Theatre presents... **WOMEN and WAR**

Through correspondence and monologues, in the style of reader's theater, *Women and War* is a collection of fictional stories based on historical fact, told by generations of Americans impacted by conflict from The Great War to the War in Afghanistan. From housewife to worker, young bride to nurse, mother to widow, and now, young woman to soldier, these are tales of sacrifice, love, determination and hope told by those who bravely persevere on the home front and on the battlefield.



Running time: one hour, four minutes.

St. Paul's Social Hall -November 8 and 9 at 7:30PM; November 10 at 2:00PM

Westminster Presbyterian Church will host their 37th annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on November 28 from 11:00AM until 3:00PM.

If you would like to volunteer for this outreach opportunity, please email wcodthanksgiving@gmail.com or call the dedicated line at 313.341.2697 x 314 for more information. Volunteers are needed Monday-Wednesday for set-up, and Thursday to serve, deliver meals and help clean up. Monetary donations to help purchase turkeys may be sent to Westminster Church of Detroit with "Thanksgiving" in the memo line and mailed to the church at 17567 Hubbell, Detroit 48235.



In addition, reservations to share in the meal, which is open to all, may be made by calling the dedicated line referenced above no later than Monday, November 18.

From the Board of Deacons:

The dates for 2019 are filled. Soon the opportunity for donating to the Board of Deacons by placing a symbolic poinsettia will be available.

Watch for the new flower chart with 2020 dates!

The flower chart in the lobby is available to reference availability only. Please DO NOT write on the chart!

Food Baskets may be designated for any Sunday.

Donations for food baskets support the outreach ministries of the Deacons.



BOARD OF DEACONS FOOD PANTRY

Donations of the following items are always gratefully accepted!

Each bag contains: a roll of paper towels, a large roll of toilet tissue, 1 large or 2 small cans of tuna, 1 can of meat (SPAM, etc.), 2 boxes of macaroni and cheese, 2 cans of soup, 2 cans of vegetables, 1 can of fruit, 1 box of gelatin, 1 package of pasta, 1 can of pasta sauce, 1 can of pasta (ravioli, etc.), 1 package of a side dish (potatoes, rice dishes, tuna helper, etc.), 1 sleeve of crackers (saltines or graham), 1 box of cereal, 1 jar of peanut butter, 1 jar of jelly or jam, and sample sized toiletries.

Stewardship

Weekly Stewardship

October 13, 2019
General Fund: \$2,190.00

Building Improvement Fund: \$265.00

Where some of your tithes and offerings go:
Mandatory Plumbing Repair: \$1,620.00

FYI

For Your Information

The Personnel Committee continues to review any responses to the posts for the position of part time sexton on Facebook and *Indeed*. If you know of someone who may be interested, please see John DeSautel or call the office.

- ◆ Regular office hours are now Tuesday through Thursday from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. Pastor Paul's day off continues to be Friday and the office is now closed on Fridays.
- ◆ Mondays continue to be reserved as "prep" day **in the office** for Pastor Paul and Wanda.



St. Paul's participates in the "2 cents per meal" Presbyterian Hunger Program. Each time we have a community meal, banks are placed on the tables and all are encouraged to contribute. The money collected supports local hunger programs, including our own Food Pantry. If you would like to participate at home, please pick up a bank in the office.

This is an ongoing ministry, so if you fill a bank, you are always welcome to start a new one!

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Carol Townsend, Joyce Barton, Pam Phillips
Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Bill Dust
Nola Bonandrini, Tamar Duthie
Frank & Nancy Saunders, Janet Pridgeon
Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth
Anita Falk, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz
Lila Hindmarsh, Lucille Ladouceur
Susan Grant, Grace Campbell
Bruce Phillips, Barbara Kett
Frank Stasa, Jr. ~ friend of Don & Meta Tulley
Katie Potter ~ granddaughter of Kathy Potter
Christine Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright
Janet Kusahara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley
John Barclay ~ uncle of Steve Boyak
Dorothy Farquhar ~ aunt of Eric
Jerry Herrington ~ father of Paul
Eli Nicholas ~ father of Allen
Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham
Mark Osborne ~ son of Janet
Henry Alexander ~ friend of Ron & Janet Frank
Sarah & Mason Young ~ cousins of Judy McGregor
Tony S. ~ cousin of Gail Artinian
Diane Calloway ~ cousin of Gail Artinian
MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne
Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne
Marcy Hare ~ daughter of Lucille Ladouceur
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris
Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben
Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of Tamar Duthie
Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison
Eric Schilling ~ grandson of Ron & Janet Frank
Dottie Kinville ~ mother of Jeff Kinville
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta
Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis
Jill Haddox ~ friend of Connie Shoup

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

Calendar for October 20 - October 27, 2019

Sunday, October 20

9:00AM Series Huddle Group.....11
10:15AM Worship.....**Sanctuary**

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10:15AM Worship.....**Sanctuary**
 3:00PM Symphony.....Sanctuary

Monday, October 21

Tuesday, October 22

1:30PM Presbytery Group.....11
 5:30PM PNC.....9
 6:00PM Foundation.....
 6:30PM SOLAR Class.....11
 7:00PM Mission Trip Meeting.....16
 7:30PM NA.....J/K

Wednesday, October 23

10:00AM Bingo at Heartland Health
 10:30AM Moving with the Spirit.....Parlor
 11:00AM Moving with the Spirit.....Parlor
 Noon Sarah Circle.....9

Thursday, October 24

8:30AM Carpool to World Medical Relief
 1:00PM Series Huddle Group.....11
 4:00PM Worship Committee.....16
 6:00PM Ringers Rehearsal.....F
 6:00PM Girl Scouts.....Social Hall
 6:30PM Singers Rehearsal.....F
 6:30PM Symphony Rehearsal.....Sanctuary
 7:30PM NA.....J/K
 7:30PM AA/Alanon.....Genesis Lobby/9/22

Friday, October 25

Saturday, October 26

Sunday, October 27

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St. Paul's Presbyterian Church...
feeding people- body, mind, and spirit.

Unified in Christ, our mission is to bring people to Jesus by practicing God's will for our lives through worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and mission!

SPPC Mission Statement

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