



St. Paul's
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rochester, Michigan

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Inspiring people to live and love like Jesus!

Welcome to St. Paul's United Methodist Church.
No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.

11 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude	O Filli et Filiae (O Sons and Daughters) Dandrieu	
Chimes		
Word of Welcome & Announcements		
*Processional Hymn	Love Divine, All Love Excelling	#384
Opening Prayer		
	Silent Prayers of Confession and Intercession	
	Words of Assurance	
	The Lord's Prayer	#895
*Psalter	Psalm 100	#821 <i>Response 1</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version	#881
*Gloria Response	Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above	#126 vs. 1
Music	Come and Go with Me (Grier)	Children and Youth Choir
Children's Moment	Tell Me the Stories of Jesus (as children come forward) (Children may be escorted by their adult to room 125 for Sunday School)	#277 vs. 1
Offering Invitation		
	Offertory Amazing Grace (Coates, Jr.)	St. Paul's Choir
	*Doxology	#94
	*Offering Prayer	
*Scripture Lesson	1 John 3:1-7 CEB	Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez
Sermon	We Purify in Hope	Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez
Hymn During Sermon	My Life Flows On	#2212 <i>Black Hymnal</i>
Order of Farewell		
*Recessional Hymn	We've A Story to Tell to the Nations	#569
*Benediction		
	Choral Response Let Us Now Depart in Peace	#668
*Postlude	O Filli et Filiae (Farnam) (You are welcome to stay seated for the Postlude)	

*Please stand as you are able

†All hymns are found in the red hymnal, unless otherwise stated.

Altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in honor of Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez and family.

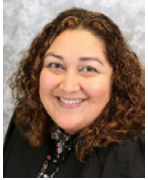


Today at St. Paul's

Blood Pressure Sunday

Sunday, February April 14; 10:30 - 11 a.m. & 12 - 12:30 p.m. in the Narthex

Stop by to have your blood pressure checked and learn about diabetes.



Farewell for Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez Sunday, April 14; 10:30 a.m. in Hickey Hall

Please join Staff Parish Committee in a farewell celebration to thank Pastor April for her 3 years of service to St. Paul's and to wish her well in her new appointment as co-pastor at the Chapel Hill United Methodist Church in Portage, Michigan, south of Grand Rapids. Cake will also be served in the Narthex following worship.

Amanda Blaikie

Sunday, April 14: 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Join us for a delightful concert by Amanda Blaikie on flute accompanied by Dr. Seung Hee Cho and Bret Hoag. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for 18 and under.



What's Happening at St. Paul's

J.O.Y. Just Older Youth

Tuesday, April 16; 12 p.m. in Hickey Hall

Sixty plus? Just Older Youth is the place to be! We meet at noon with a brown bag lunch; coffee and dessert provided. We will be welcoming spring and looking forward as we plan the programs for the months ahead. Please join us!



Beer & Hymns

Tuesday, April 16; 7 p.m. at Gus O'Connor's
324 S. Main Street, Rochester

Join us to celebrate Pastor April and her family at the March 19th Beer and Hymns. St Paul's provides the appetizers, and you provide your voice. You won't want to miss this event.

General Conference April 23 - May 3

And Are We Yet Alive?

Sunday, April 21; 5 - 7 p.m. in Hickey Hall

Due to the pandemic, the 2020 General Conference of the United Methodist Church was postponed until April 23 - May 3, 2024. In that time, there has been much conversation about the future of United Methodism in the United States and throughout our world as our Church and our world have changed in these years. Join Rev. Dulworth on April 21 as he shares some thoughts about the General Conference as well as hopes for the future of United Methodism. Continue the discussion over a shared dinner at 6:30 p.m.



Blood Drive

Monday, April 22; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. in Hickey Hall

The need for blood is great all year long. Schedule an appointment by calling Bill Molloy at 248-892-1705 or go to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code 'stpaulunited'.

Social Media: The Good, the Bad & the Ugly Tuesday, April 23; 7 - 9 p.m. in Hickey Hall

St. Paul's Adult Ministries, Health Ministries and Stephen Ministries will host a seminar on social media and the mental and physical impact of social media on people of all ages. Dangers and benefits will be discussed along with healthy strategies for social media use. This is a free program that will be open to the public.



Featured speakers will be:

- Adam Hamilton, Clinical Director, Oakland Community Health Network
- Sgt. Jonathan Elges, Computer Crime Unit, Oakland County Sheriff Department
- Christina Harvey, MPH, Health Education Consultant, Oakland Schools
- Andrea Zellner, Learning Design Consultant, Oakland Schools



United Methodism 101

Wednesdays, April 24 & May 1

10 - 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor OR 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the Parlor

How do you answer when you're asked why you are a United Methodist? Do you ever wonder who or what a United Methodist is, believes, or wants to be? Whether you have been a part of this denomination forever and need a refresher course, or are relatively new to us and need more information, United Methodism 101 is for you!

Rev. Judy May looks at how we have become part of a church that has grown from one man's experience to a movement that covers the world. Contact the office at 248-651-9361 or office@stpaulsrochester.org to register.

Join the St. Paul's Community Garden Volunteer Group Saturday, April 27 at 1 - 3 p.m. - Garden cleanup and early planting Sunday, June 2 at 1 - 3 p.m. - Second planting

The St. Paul's Community Garden mission is to grow healthy vegetables and donate 100% to the Neighborhood House Food Pantry in Rochester. We need volunteers throughout the summer to help plant, water, harvest at the garden site, and deliver to the food pantry. No previous gardening experience is needed. Some volunteers come weekly, and some come for just the plantings or cleanups. You can choose your own level of time commitment. For more information or to get added to our garden email contact list, please contact Rob Patten at robpattenjr@comcast.net.



Start cleaning closets!

Spring Rummage Sale - May 10 & 11

NEW Drop off days and times:

Monday, May 6 from 5 - 8 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7 from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Can you volunteer? Contact Kathy Lutey at drlutey2@wowway.com.

Donating Jewelry: Sometimes jewelry gets missed if it is in a regular donation bag. If you want to bring jewelry in early, please leave it in the designated box in the main office. On Sundays, you may leave it in a box at the Welcome Desk in the Narthex or at Open Door. Please share this information with others at church.

Donations for Unique Boutique: If you have designer clothing, purses, scarves, etc. please pack them separately and take donations directly to Room 122-123.

Thank you for your generous support!

Contact Us

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

620 Romeo Street

Rochester, MI 48307

Rev. Elbert Dulworth, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez, Associate Pastor (Renewal Leave)

Rev. Judith May, Associate Pastor

Rev. Rick Kress, Associate Pastor

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

248.651.9361

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Dr. Seung Hee Cho, Director of Music Ministries & Organist

Amy Heitman, Director of Children's Ministry

Jodi Stuermer, Director of Youth Ministry

Rachel Henry, Adult Ministry

Please note St. Paul's worship services are livestreamed and recorded. They can be viewed through the website. Livestreaming is available in Room 118 for nursing mothers.



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Make Us One		Open Door Band
Personal Welcome		Worship Leader
O Praise Him		Open Door Band
Statement of Values/Who We Are		Ambassador
Offertory Invitation/Prayer		Rev. Elbert Dulworth
How He Loves		Open Door Band
Scripture	1 John 3:1-7 CEB	Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez
Sermon	We Purify in Hope	Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez
Prayer After the Sermon		Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez
Celebration of Pastor April's Ministry Order of Farewell to a Pastor		Jean Meyers
Great Are You Lord		Open Door Band
Get Connected		Ambassador
Benediction/Blessing		Rev. Dr. April Gutierrez