



St. Paul's
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rochester, Michigan

Sunday, April 28, 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	Love Divine, All Love Excelling (Dale Wood)	
Chimes		
Word of Welcome & Announcements		
*Processional Hymn	Come, Ye Faithful People, Come	#694
Opening Prayer		
	Silent Prayers of Confession and Intercession	
	Words of Assurance	
	The Lord's Prayer	#895
Commissioning of Stephen Minister:	Nancy Lockhardt	Ann Burton, Susan Sonye
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
*Psalter	Psalms 22:25-31	#752-753 <i>Response 2</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version	#881
*Gloria Response	Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above	#126 vs. 1
Hymn	Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song	#544
Pastoral Prayer		
	Response: This is our prayer, O Lord!	#487
Offering Invitation		
	Offertory You Are the Branches (Michael Jothen)	St. Paul's Choir
*Doxology		#94
*Offering Prayer		
*Scripture Lesson	John 15:1-8	
Sermon	Connected and Fruitful	Rev. Judy May
*Recessional Hymn	Open My Eyes, That I May See	#454
*Benediction		
	Choral Response Let Us Now Depart in Peace	#668
*Postlude	Now Thank We All Our God (Bach/Fox) (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 Jim and Wendy McNaughton.



What's Happening at St. Paul's



Hands with Detroit - Cass Community Social Services **Saturday, April 27; 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

St. Paul's is organizing a team to work at Hands with Detroit at Cass Community Social Services. We will be helping both in the kitchen and with maintenance projects. Age ten and older may participate. St. Paul's will also be providing materials to make 25 hygiene kits. Please contact John Kelly at jpkelly1909@gmail.com to register.

Join the St. Paul's Community Garden Volunteer Group **Sunday, April 28 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.



Learning to Walk with God **Thursdays, May 2 - August 29; 9 - 10 a.m. in Rochester Park**

Walk with us for physical exercise, socializing, and a spiritual component that gives everyone thoughts to ponder about how to better follow in Jesus' footsteps. Discuss and reflect upon the meaning of inspiring prose and poetry written by Christian authors and how scripture compliments the message. All ability levels are welcome.



New Member Classes **Sunday, May 5; 10:30 a.m. - noon or 12:15 - 1:45 p.m. in the Parlor**

If you interested in becoming a member of St. Paul's and would like to learn more about the mission of St. Paul's, small groups and the many ministry teams that are offered, watch for more information in the May/June Evangel or contact Marilyn Kress at 586-212-9065.

United Women in Faith **Honoring our Mothers** **Deadline is May 6**

For Mother's Day we ask that you remember your mother, either living or passed, by contributing to the United Women in Faith. All funds raised will be used to support our mission projects.



**United
Women
in Faith**

The names of the mothers will be displayed at the May 12 worship services. Deadline is May 6 to be included in the Mother's Day service.

Please submit your name and mother's name to:

St. Paul's UWF - attn. Debbie Kelly
620 Romeo St. Rochester, MI 48307

Make checks to 'United Women in Faith' with 'Honoring our Mothers' in the memo line. To give online, select 'Mother's Day' giving option at stpaulsrochester.org, and email the names to Debbie@stpaulsrochester.org.

**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!



**Special Mother's Day Concert
Paul Keller and Company
Sunday, May 12; 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

Join us for a Mother's Day concert by Paul Keller and Company. This special performance will include a loving, musical tribute to mothers everywhere, past and present. Swinging renditions of familiar favorites by Duke Ellington, Nat King Cole and Benny Goodman are highlights. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students under 18. Tickets are available at the door or at stpaulsrochester.org.

Upcoming Baptisms May 12 and July 21

The sacrament of Holy Baptism is an important event in the life of a child and the Church and is open to children and adults. For more information, contact the office at 248-651-9361.



**Blood Drive
Monday, May 13 & June 17; 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 (sponsor code 'stpaulunited').

College Graduate Recognition

If you have a student who has recently graduated from college or post-college and would like their name printed in the worship program, please send their name, college and degree to Linda Jeffries at Linda@stpaulsrochester.org by May 20.



**Graduate Sunday
Sunday, June 9; 11 a.m. services**

Our HS seniors will be recognized during worship. A brunch will follow in Hickey Hall for the students and their families, as well as St. Paul's scholarship recipients. Wear your cap and gown. RSVP to Jodi@stpaulsrochester.org by May 30.

Contact Us

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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

stpaulsrochester.org

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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God of Wonders		Open Door Band
Personal Welcome		Worship Leader
O Praise Him		Open Door Band
Statement of Values/Who We Are		Gracie Walch
Offertory Invitation/Prayer		Rev. Rick Kress
Come as You Are		Open Door Band
Interview: Meet Rob Patten		Rev. Rick Kress
Scripture	John 15:1-8	Rev. Judy May
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Prayer After the Sermon		Rev. Judy May
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Great Are You Loved		Open Door Band
Get Connected		Ambassador
Benediction/Blessing		Rev. Judy May