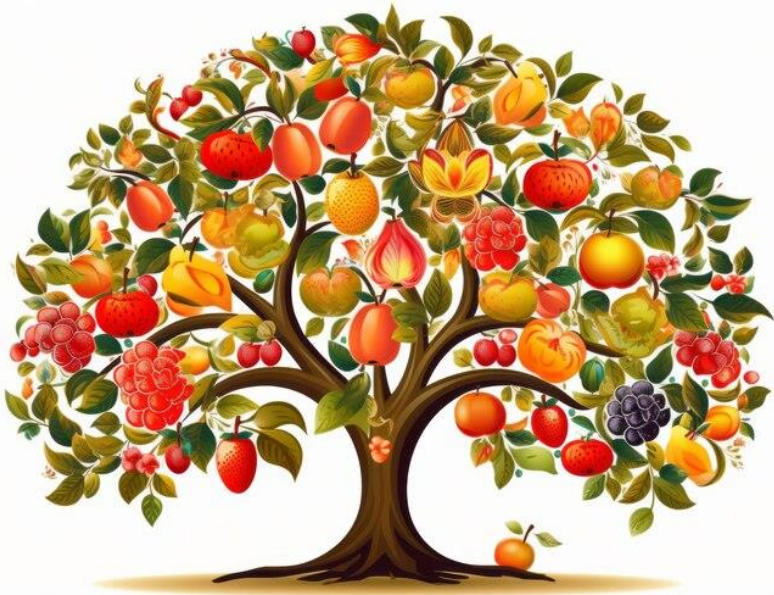


**St. Pauls
United Church of Christ**



Sunday, November 10, 2024
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

**St. Pauls United Church of Christ
Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin**

(* = YOU MAY STAND.)

RINGING THE BELLS, WELCOMING THE LIGHT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Morning Song, Jerry McCrory

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** (Inspired by Psalm 146)

One: From generation to generation, the Holy One has loved justice and righteousness, lifted the broken and bowed, and opened possibilities for the dejected.

Many: Help, hope, and happiness are of the Holy One, who reigns forever. Trust the Holy One!

One: When all else has failed us, the Holy One has remained faithful to abiding love and abundant liberation.

Many: Help, hope, and happiness are of the Holy One, who reigns forever. Follow the Holy One!

One: Praise the Holy One with song and dance, in spirit and in truth, for God's glory and for life abundantly!

Many: Help, hope, and happiness are of the Holy One, who reigns forever. Praise the Holy One!

***INVOCATION:**

Leader: Living God, we offer you praise in your presence. We give you thanks for life in this community. Some come seeking. Others come assured. Some have questions. Others simply want company. Whatever our reasons for gathering, may they all lead us to an encounter with you, your grace, and your way. Infuse us with your power, forged in love, so that we might be encouraged and respond as agents of your kingdom on earth. Amen.

***OPENING SONG:** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #517

***PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE:**

ALL: God of mercy and possibilities, forgive us for clinging to the measures of success and security in our world rather than trusting in the abundance of your creation. Help us to recognize the kingdom coming and our role as participants in your realm. Liberate us from the bonds of consumerism, scarcity, and self-centeredness, and make us vessels of your love come alive in the world. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

Pastor: Beloved, you are inheritors of the kingdom of God. You receive riches beyond compare. The Holy One journeys with you and enables you to grow in grace, peace, and contentment.

***SHARING GOD'S PEACE:**

Pastor: The peace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

ALL: And, also, with you.

A MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN

READING FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE (*NRSVue*)

Liturgist's Reading: Psalm 146 (P.749)

Pastor's Reading: Mark 12:38-44 (P.1203)

SERMON: "Abundance" Rev. Emma Sancomb

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

...We ask these things in the name of Jesus who taught us to say when we pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL QV)

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.

***SERMON SONG:** “O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee” #602

***CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP** *(from the UCC Statement of Faith)*

**We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit,
God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God,
and to your deeds we testify.**

**You judge people and nations by your righteous will
declared through prophets and apostles.**

**You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit,
creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ,
binding in covenant faithful people of all ages,
tongues, and races.**

**You promise to all who trust you
forgiveness of sin and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
your presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in your realm which has no end.**

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Leader: In the Creator, there is no lack of any good thing. When we consider our resources as part of God’s abundance, we nurture generosity within us. Let us give, to support the mutual needs of our faith community, the expansion of ministry, and the benefit of the world that God so loves.



(Please place your offering in the plates as they are passed, give through your usual method, or click on the QR code to the left by using your cell phone camera and clicking on the St. Pauls Giving website.)

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God for all that love has done

Creator, Christ, and Spirit one. Amen.

***DEDICATION**

Leader: God of generosity and giver of gifts, receive our offerings as a reflection of our gratitude and trust in your sovereignty. Like the widow and Elijah, may the jars that sustain us never empty and never fail. May we witness the miracle of your provision through our generosity and for your glory. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN:** "For the Fruits of All Creation" #714

***BENEDICTION:**

***POSTLUDE:** Cortège no. 20, Flor Peeters



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RESOURCES FOR PERSONAL DEVOTIONS

**Lectionary Readings for
November 17, 2024**
Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

~1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11), 22-30, 41-43
~Psalm 84

LITURGIST SCHEDULE:

Nov 10 Tom Lindow
Nov 17 Pam Gibowski
Nov 24 John Rubatt

USHER SCHEDULE:

Nov 10 Team #6: Dethloff, Krohn
Nov 17 Team #1: Maury, Martin, Rubatt, Seehaver
Nov 24 Team #2: Gibowski, Gardebrecht

GREETER SCHEDULE:

Nov 10 Blaine Harris
Nov 17 Carol Buss
Nov 24 The Tracys

COFFEE HOUR HOST:

Gladys Hoagland
Cathy Schnabel
Eileen Mattfeld

OUR STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. Emma Sancomb
Director of Music: Dr. Kelly Kazik
Bell Choir Director: Chris Sparrow
Pastor Emeritus: Russell Knoth
Temp Admin. Asst.: Tara Nooyen

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**OFFICE HOURS**

Pastor Emma: **Wednesday 9:30am-3pm or by appointment**  
Church Office: **Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9:00am-1pm**

## **CPR (Church and Pastor Relations Committee) MEMBERS**

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## **PRAYER REQUESTS (To be added to the prayer chain, please contact Julie Loth 262-422-0267)**

- Joann Martin and Samuel Kuhlmann were married here on Nov. 2nd. Blessings on their marriage and the many years ahead.
- Jaye Gardebrecht - Brother, Dale, has recently entered hospice.
- Carol Rubatt - We celebrate that her CT scans came back good.
- Jean Lipenski - Brother, Dan, is recovering from a stroke.
- Jegl Family - As they move parents/in-laws.
- Steve Hecky - 6-year-old grandson, Graham's continued medical journey.
- Dethloff extended family member, Doranne received a new cancer diagnosis.
- Julie Loth - Dear friend/pastor (Jim Martin), who married her and her husband has a new cancer diagnosis.

**Don't forget to complete the Who's In The Pews Form located on the end of the pew near the main aisle. PLEASE put completed forms in the offertory plate.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Snow Removal Help Needed

A church snowblower is available for the use of the sidewalk snow removal. Shoveling would be done at the entrance areas. Light salting of the sidewalk area would need to be done as well. It is a paid position. Interested individual(s) should contact the Church Office or the Trustee Chairperson, Mike Gresen, or any of the Trustees for more information.

## Thank You!

Our beloved congregation and friends have donated the following toward Neighbors In Need, the Little Lambs Room, and Mental Health Workshops this year:

Mental Health Workshops: \$960

Neighbors In Need: \$161

Little Lambs Room: \$105 (and registry gifts)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

9:30am - Service

9:45am - Children's School

10:45am - Fellowship

10:45am - Prayer Shawl Ministry

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

5:30pm-8:00pm - Campfire & Chili

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

6:30 - Choir Practice

7:30 - Bells Practice

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

4:30pm - Bible Study in Guild Hall

5:30pm - Mental Health Workshop

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

11:00am-1pm - Pastor Emma @ Fiddleheads  
Menomonee Falls

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

9:00am - Meditation Group

10:30am - Confirmation Rehearsal

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

9:30am - Service - Confirm. Sunday

10:45am - Fellowship

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

6:30pm - Open Knit/Crochet Night

## **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

6:30 - Choir Practice

7:30 - Bells Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

2:00pm-4pm - Pastor Emma @ Latitude Cafe (M.F. Library)

4:30pm - Bible Study in Guild Hall

## **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

6:30pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry

## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

9:00am - Meditation Group

9:00am - Liederkrantz Rehearsal

## **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

9:30am - Service

9:45am - Children's School

10:45am - Fellowship

10:45am - Christmas Program Rehearsal

## **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26**

7:30 - Bells Practice

## **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

4:30pm - Bible Study in Guild Hall

## **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

Thanksgiving

## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

9:00am - Meditation Group



## Cope Ahead

PREPARING FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON  
WITH SARAH MILLER, APSW MSW

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▶ November 13th from 5:30-7:30pm at  
St. Pauls UCC in Menomonee Falls.

▶ \$10 recommended donation fee.  
Free childcare provided.

▶ Complementary desserts and hors  
d'oeuvres will be provided.



# CAMPFIRE

## *and Chili Potluck*

Gather 'round the crackling flames, eat some chili, and revel in the autumn atmosphere. It's a night of fellowship, filled with laughter, camaraderie, and the cozy glow of a roaring campfire.

Please bring a batch of your favorite chili to share! (Or just come to enjoy the fellowship!)



**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2024**  
**FROM 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

St. Pauls UCC, N89W16856 Appleton Ave.,  
Menomonee Falls, WI

[www.stpaulsucc.org](http://www.stpaulsucc.org)





## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS 2024

Help beautify our Sanctuary during the Christmas Season by purchasing a poinsettia plant in memory of a loved one, in honor of a special person or event; or in celebration of the Birth of Jesus. The cost this year is **\$15.00** per plant.

**The deadline to order your poinsettia is  
Monday, November 25th, 2024.**

Plants may be picked up after worship on  
Sunday, January 5th, 2025.

NAME: ("Given by")

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I/We wish to place \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettia plant(s):  
(x \$15 = \_\_\_\_\_)

In Memory of

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In Honor of

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In Celebration of Christmas

Please fill out this page and include it with your payment. You can place it in the offering plate or send into the office. Thanks!