

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

May 3, 2026

Bonnie Jacque, Pastor

A TIME TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

A TIME OF SHARING

SUNG INTROIT Be Still and Know #743x2 Screen

Be Still and know that I Am God,

Be Still and know that I am God.

Be Still and Know that I am God.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 31) Screen**

One: In You, Holy One, we seek sanctuary. In you, Sovereign God, we seek refuge.

MANY: HOLY ONE, FOR YOUR NAME'S SAKE LEAD US AND GUIDE US.

One: You are indeed our rock and our fortress.

MANY: HOLY ONE, FOR YOUR NAME'S SAKE LEAD US AND GUIDE US.

One: Shine upon us this day as we worship you. Saturate us in your steadfast love.

MANY: HOLY ONE, FOR YOUR NAME'S SAKE LEAD US AND GUIDE US.

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***OPENING PRAYER Screen**

HOLY AND LIVING GOD, BUILD US INTO A SPIRITUAL HOUSE, A GATHERING OF WITNESSES FOR THE WORLD AND IN THE WORLD TO DECLARE YOUR GOODNESS, TO FOLLOW IN YOUR WAY, TO DO THE WORK OF YOUR HANDS, VOICE, AND HEART. RENEW OUR SPIRITS AS WE WORSHIP YOU AND BASK IN YOUR PRESENCE. FILL US WITH YOUR SPIRIT THAT WE COLLECTIVELY PROCLAIM OURSELVES AS YOUR PEOPLE, CALLED TO THE FULLNESS OF YOUR GLORIOUS AND RADIANT BEING. AMEN.

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HYMN I Love To Tell The Story #522 v.1,2,4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS Screen

ONE: WHEN WE FEEL SO NEGATIVE ABOUT OURSELVES AND WE DO NOT HEAR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THOSE WHO CARE ABOUT US.

ALL: FORGIVE US, O LORD.

ONE: WHEN OUR SENSE OF ISOLATION BLOCKS OUT OUR AWARENESS OF YOUR ABIDING LOVE.

ALL: FORGIVE US, O LORD.

ONE: WHEN WE FEEL SO GUILTY, WE CANNOT HEAR YOUR FORGIVENESS AND FIND NEW LIFE.

ALL: FORGIVE US, O LORD. AMEN. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE ARE ACCEPTED AND AFFIRMED BY GOD AS WE ARE.

ONE: THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE ARE NOT STRANGERS TO OURSELVES OR TO ONE ANOTHER.

ALL: WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN, MEMBERS OF ONE BODY. OUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN. WE HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INTO NEW LIFE.

SCRIPTURES Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

HYMN We Limit Not the Truth of God #316

MEDITATION The Bible: More Light and Truth

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

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DOXOLOGY Screen

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING Screen

GENEROUS GOD, MAY THE GIFTS THAT WE BRING REFLECT THE IMAGE WE BEAR. BE GLORIFIED THROUGH OUR GENEROSITY AND THE MEETING OF NEEDS AMONG AND BEYOND US. AMEN.

CHOIR Fill My Cup Lord

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN Until All Are Fed Screen

ON THE GREEN, GREEN GRASS, THEY GATHERED LONG AGO

TO HEAR WHAT THE MASTER SAID

WHAT THEY HAD THEY SHARED, SOME FISHES AND SOME LOAVES

AND THEY SERVED UNTIL ALL WERE FED.

UNTIL ALL ARE FED, WE CRY OUT,

UNTIL ALL ON EARTH HAVE BREAD

LIKE THE ONE WHO LOVES EACH AND EVERYONE

WE SERVE UNTIL ALL ARE FED.

COMMUNION PRAYER Screen

WE THANK YOU, GOD, THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED FOR ALL THE WORLDS THAT EVER WERE OR WILL BE BY GIVING YOURSELF TO THEM IN LOVE. WE THANK YOU FOR JESUS, YOUR WORD, WHO LIVED AMONG US, UNCOVERING YOUR PRESENCE. WE ASK NOW THAT YOU BLESS US, AS WE SHARE THIS BREAD AND CUP THAT WE MIGHT BE ENCOURAGED TO BE YOUR SERVANTS TO THE WORLD.

AND NOW, AS YOUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS WHO YOU HAVE RECONCILED TO YOURSELF, WE PRAY:

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 SINS, AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO SIN AGAINST US. AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL, FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER. AMEN.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Screen

BOUNTIFUL GOD, WE GIVE THANKS THAT YOU HAVE REFRESHED US AT YOUR TABLE BY GRANTING US THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST. STRENGTHEN OUR FAITH, INCREASE OUR LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER, AND SEND US FORTH INTO THE WORLD IN COURAGE AND PEACE, REJOICING IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

***HYMN** Send Me Lord #360

**SEND ME, JESUS, SEND ME, JESUS, SEND ME, JESUS, SEND ME, LORD.
LEAD ME, JESUS, LEAD ME JESUS, LEAD ME, JESUS, LEAD ME, LORD.
FILL ME JESUS, FILL ME, JESUS, FILL ME JESUS, JESUS FILL ME, LORD.**

BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

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Liturgy: As shown on the slide.

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*If rising from a seated position is an issue for you, please remain seated. The phrase, “Stand in body or spirit as you are able” is intended to give you permission to do so without embarrassment.

Congregational Response to each prayer request is: **Your prayer is our prayer. Your joy is our joy.**

Communion is open to all, including children with parent’s approval. We serve wine in the outer rings and juice in the middle. We offer a gluten-free wafer for those with gluten intolerance or need a gluten-free diet.

Reminders - Head to <https://stpaulserin.org> for details

05/06 - Begin Aprons in the Wind project

05/07 - Hanging of the Aprons

05/08 - 05/10 - Aprons in the Wind open to the public

05/11 - Aprons taken down

05/16 - Christine Monroe Kalvelage private funeral

05/18 - Council Meeting

05/20 - Women’s Guild at noon

05/24 - Pentecost Part 1

05/31 - Pentecost Part 2 and Baptism of Elouise Becker

Please remember with your prayers, cards, calls and visits: Diane S., Joyce O’K, Mark G., John and Polly E., Tom and Mary G., Lucy K., Steve M., Gary B., Cheri J. and Jill P.

Birthdays: Aspen, Al and Sharon’s granddaughter today. Gary B on Tuesday, Vicki’s husband Jerry AND Dave Z celebrate on Wednesday.

Greeters for This Week: Kay O’K.

Communion: John and Lynn D. and Bill and LouAnn E.

Greeters for Next Week: Bernie C. and Jill P.

Liturgist for This Week: Bernie C.

Liturgist for Next Week: Bernice D.

Following worship, you are invited for SOUP AND BREAD!!!