

July 31, 2022

No matter who you are,  
No matter where you are  
On life's journey,  
You are welcome here.

***Please silence cell phones.***

*Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.  
Assisted listening devices and Bluetooth hearing aid guides are in the Narthex.*

PRELUDE

*Truth*  
St. Arbucks Quartet

Kamaski Wahington

WELCOME

Jeff Carlson

\* WELCOMING EACH OTHER

\* CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 103*

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Bless God's Holy Name.

**All: God satisfies us with good as long as we live.**

One: God does not deal with us according to our sin.

**All: God's faithful love is higher than the heavens.**

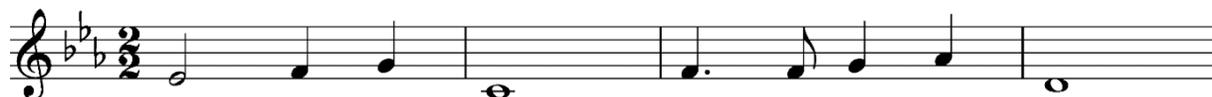
One: As a mother has compassion for her children,  
So the Lord has compassion on us.

**All: Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
All that is within me, bless God's holy name.**

*\* Please stand if you are able to do so.*

\* HYMN

*Bring Many Names*



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Peg Wander

Gracious God, we confess that we misuse your name for our own causes.  
 We prefer our kingdom to your Kingdom,  
 our will to your Will.  
 Daily bread is not enough for us.  
 We carry grudges rather than forgiving as freely as you forgive us.  
 Our feet are easily led into temptation.  
 God, deliver us from evil.  
 Let your kingdom, your power and your glory shape our lives,  
 That we might live the prayer Jesus taught us.  
 Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

RESPONSE

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

vv. 1-2

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris - tian In my heart, in my heart;  
 2. Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart, in my heart;  
 3. Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Chris - tian In my heart. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly In my heart. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus In my heart. \_\_\_\_\_



“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your boy asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if your girl asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”

\* STATEMENT OF FAITH

**We believe in God who has created and is creating,  
who has come to us in Jesus Christ to reconcile and make us new,  
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.**

**We trust God. God calls us to be the Church,  
to celebrate God’s presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to care for creation,  
to seek justice and to resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.  
In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us.  
We are not alone. Thanks be to God!**

*(adapted from the United Church of Canada)*

\* RESPONSE

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

v. 3

SERMON

“Lord, teach us.”

Jeff Carlson

\* HYMN

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*



1. My\_ shep - herd will sup - ply my\_ need; Je - ho - vah  
2. When I walk through the shades of\_ death Thy pres - ence  
3. The sure pro - vi - sions of my\_ God At - tend me



is his name: In\_ pas - tures fresh he makes me\_ feed, Be -  
is my stay; One word of\_ thy sup - port - ing\_ breath Drives  
all my days; O\_ may thy\_ house be my a - bode, And



-side the liv - ing stream. He brings my\_ wan - dering spir - it\_ -  
all my fears a - way. Thy hand, in\_ sight of all my\_ -  
all my work be praise. There would I\_ find a set - tled



back, When I for - sake his ways; And\_ leads me,\_ -  
foes, Doth still my\_ ta - ble spread; My\_ cup with  
rest, While oth - ers\_ go and come; No\_ more a\_ -



for his mer - cy's\_ sake, In\_ paths of truth and grace.  
bless - ings o - ver - flows, Thine oil a - noints my head.  
stran - ger, nor a\_ guest, But\_ like a child at home.

OFFERTORY

*Notturmo* Op. 54, No. 4

Edvard Grieg

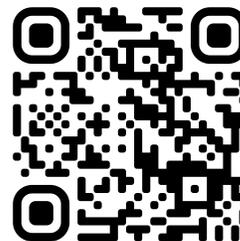
Graham Hicks, piano

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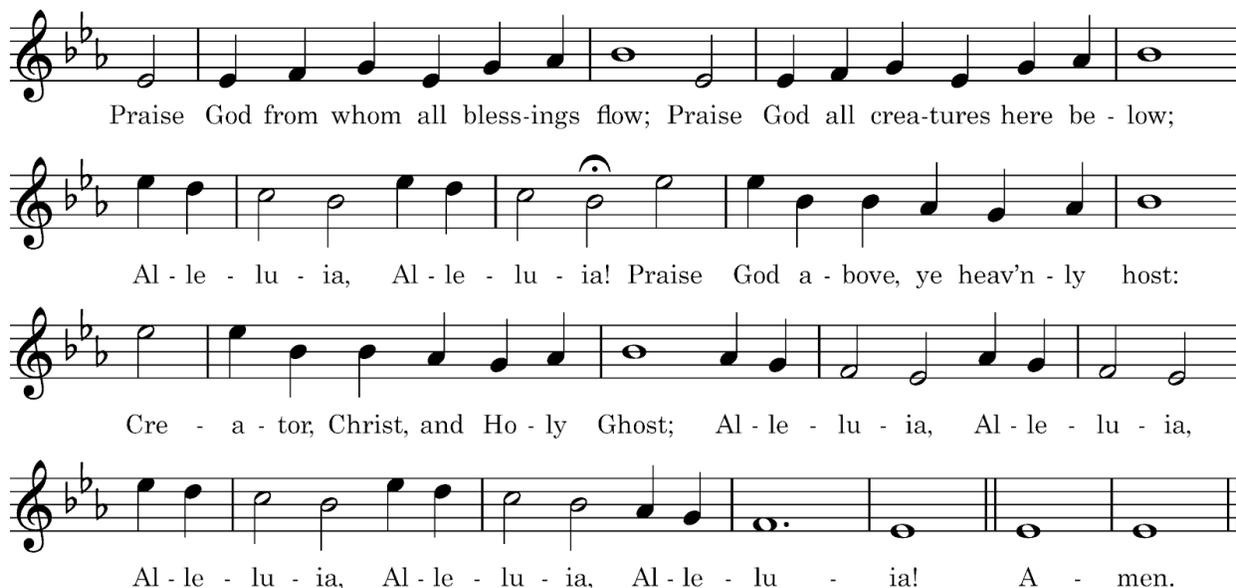
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\* FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here be - low;  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:  
Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost; Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Annie Johnson

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

\* HYMN

*God Is Working His Purpose Out*



1. God is work - ing his pur - pose out As year suc -  
2. From ut - most east to ut - most west, Wher - e'er man's  
3. March we forth in the strength of God With the ban - ner of  
4. All we can do is noth - ing worth Un - less God



-ceeds to year; God is work - ing his pur - pose out, And the  
foot hath trod, By the mouth of man - y mes - sen - gers Goes  
Christ un - furled, That the light of the glo - rious gos - pel of truth May  
bless - es the deed; Vain - ly we hope for the har - vest - tide Till



time is draw - ing near; Near - er and near - er draws the time, The  
forth the voice of God; Give ear to me, ye con - ti - nents, Ye  
shine through - out the world; Fight we the fight with sorrow and sin To  
God gives life to the seed; Yet near - er and near - er draws the time, The



time that shall sure - ly be, When the earth shall be filled with the  
isles, give ear to me, That the earth may be filled with the  
set their cap - tives free, That the earth may be filled with the  
time that shall sure - ly be, When the earth shall be filled with the



glo - ry of God As the wa - ters cov - er the sea.  
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\* BENEDICTION

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE



A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

POSTLUDE

*Rejoice!*  
St. Arbucks Quartet

Richard Smallwood

***If you would like someone to pray with you today, Stephen Ministers are present after the postlude at the right front of the Sanctuary.***

***Following Worship, all are invited for coffee and snacks in the Social Hall.***

## TODAY'S MUSIC

**The Chancel Choir is on summer break and will return on September 11.**

***Truth*** is the opening song on the 2017 EP, *Harmony of Difference*, by Kamasi Washington (b.1981). Mr Washington is a jazz saxophonist, born and raised in Los Angeles. He studied in the Department of Ethnomusicology at UCLA. As a student, he was invited to play with a faculty quartet. In addition to his solo career, he has collaborated with musicians in jazz, hip-hop, and pop music.

The text for ***Bring Many Names*** was written by Brian A. Wren (b. 1936). He is a major British contributor to contemporary hymn writing. He was a pastor of a Congregational Church in Essex. ***WESTCHASE*** was composed in 1989 by Carlton R. Young (b.1926). He served in World War II and became a teacher, editor, composer, and conductor. He edited two editions of the *United Methodist Hymnal*.

***Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*** is another in a long line of great African American spirituals. Neither the tune nor text are attributed. The origin may go as far back as 1750. The first publication to include it was *Folk Songs of the American Negro* (1907) compiled by brothers Frederick (no dates) and John (1871-1925) Work. John Work was also music director of the famous Fisk Jubilee Singers.

***My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*** employs a text by the great English poet and hymnodist, Issac Watts (1674-1748). Watts set the entire book of Psalms poetically, many of which we still sing today, notably *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*. RESIGNATION is another hymn melody whose composer is unattributed and is from the great early American hymnal, *The Sacred Harp*.

Edvard Grieg, (1843-1907), composed *Lyric Pieces, Op. 54* for piano in 10 volumes from 1867 to 1901. They were special enough to him that he orchestrated four of the pieces from Volume 5 into the *Lyric Suite. Notturmo Op. 54, No. 4* is one of the *Lyric Pieces* that Grieg orchestrated. *Op. 54* came in between and during the composition of one of Grieg's most beloved works, the *Peer Gynt Suites No. 1, Op. 46* and *No. 2, Op. 55*. Grieg is arguably the most famous Norwegian composer. He was part of a group of 19th century composers referred to as "nationalist," which meant that he used folk themes and Norwegian stories and dramas as inspiration for his compositions. Grieg was so famous and busy as a composer and pianist, that his death in 1907 was attributed to exhaustion.

***God Is Working His Purpose Out*** is a favorite hymn of Pastor Emeritus Tom Henry. The text was written by Arthur Campbell Ainger (1841–1919) in 1894. The text demanded a muscular tune, which Martin Shaw (1916–1999) provided in 1915.

***Rejoice!*** - Richard Smallwood (b. 1948) is one of the top composers and performers of Gospel music. His group, The Richard Smallwood Singers, has toured the world. He is a graduate of Howard University, which also counts Vice President Kamala Harris and so many other luminaries as alumni. He was inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 2006.

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

**Clergy:** Jeff Carlson

**Worship Leaders:** Stephen Ministers Peg Wander and Annie Johnson

**Music Director:** Kurt R. Hansen

**St. Arbucks Quartet:** Brendan Henry, piano; Alex Austin, bass; Matt Plaskota, drums; Kris Hansen, trumpet & vocals

**Scripture Reader:** Peg Wander

**Lay Liturgical Administrator:** Kevin O'Brien

**Head Usher:** Beatrice Jaji

**Ushers:** Fred Pearson

**Head Greeter:** Greg Mooney

**Gatekeeper:** Dodd Brown

**Camera Operators:** Jim Alrutz, Marie Ankenman, Bob Ball, Jose Cruz, Brian Hafner

**Custodian:** Ramiro Gonzalez

## BORN THIS WEEK IN JULY & AUGUST

*We give thanks for your life at St. Pauls. A perfect way to celebrate is by giving one dollar for each year of your life to our Birthday Fund, which supports A Just Harvest.*

July 31 Kathryn Abercrombie, Evan O'Brien

Aug 1 Becky Burton, Cheryl Kennedy, Jack Anderson

Aug 2 Chris Montague, Shannon Banjavcic, Lydia Busker, Molly Palm

Aug 3 Cruz Lohnes

Aug 4 Marah Marshall, Mary Vasys, Tim Weidman, Brianna Love, Nikki Miller,  
Nolan Mussatt, Zoe Lawrence, Pippa Noll

Aug 5 Juan Nuno, Vivian Hein

Aug 6 Jenn Rogers

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### REFUGEEONE BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE

RefugeeOne is holding their annual Back-to-School drive. They are looking for backpacks and supplies for 400 children! Drop off your donations at Unity Lutheran Church (1212 W. Balmoral, Chicago 60640) on Saturday, August 6 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, please use this link, [refugeeone.org/donatestuff](https://refugeeone.org/donatestuff), or scan this QR code:



### NEXT SUNDAY - SHARE THE TABLE OF JESUS

We're collecting food for the Common Pantry every communion Sunday - which is next week. St. Pauls helped found the pantry in 1967. Unexpired food and personal items most needed are listed below. Modest-sized products are best for distribution to the folks they serve (e.g., a few 24 oz. containers of cooking oil are preferable to one 64 oz. container). Items can be left in the bin in the Narthex.

Needed Items: cereal (whole grain, less sugar varieties), nuts, brown rice, jelly/jam (low sugar), peanut butter (natural, no hydrogenated oils), cooking oil, pasta sauce (low sodium), soup (low sodium), easy prep meals (e.g., Hamburger Helper, low sodium or whole grain varieties if possible), ground coffee, toothpaste, deodorant, disposable razors, shampoo, conditioner, mouthwash.

**COMMON  
PANTRY**



### OKTOBERFEST RETURNS!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 1, 3-9 p.m. St. Pauls is excited to announce that our popular Oktoberfest block party will return this fall. If you would like to join the Oktoberfest planning committee, please contact Lorne Frank at [lornefrank@lornefrank.com](mailto:lornefrank@lornefrank.com). The Oktoberfest planning committee will begin meeting in early August, and volunteer sign-ups will start in September. Prost!

### PICKLEBALL

Have you tried the growing sport of Pickleball yet? It's like a small-court version of tennis, with paddles and wiffle balls, and is gaining in popularity all over the U.S. We're holding pick-up games in the St. Pauls gym every week. All you have to do is add your name to the ChurchCenter link below and then show up at one of the allotted times! We even have spare paddles and balls. All skill levels are invited. If you have questions, call or text Steve Garrett at (312) 208-0636.

Game Times: Tuesdays: 5:30-8:30 p.m; Fridays: 2-3 p.m.

[spucc.churchcenter.com/groups/saint-pauls-groups/pickleball](https://spucc.churchcenter.com/groups/saint-pauls-groups/pickleball)

## **JOIN THE MOVEMENT - provided by SPARC**

**How can we repair relationships defined by historical harms?** What will it take to mend the tears in the fabric of our society caused by colonialization, slavery and xenophobia? Ta-Nahisi Coates states, “And so we must imagine a new country. Reparations—by which I mean the full acceptance of our collective biography and its consequences—is the price we must pay to see ourselves squarely...What I’m talking about is a national reckoning that would lead to spiritual renewal.” Learn more about what faith leaders in and beyond the UCC say at [jointhemovementucc.org/jtm-resources/reparatory-justice-reparations-truth-telling-conciliation-and-healing](http://jointhemovementucc.org/jtm-resources/reparatory-justice-reparations-truth-telling-conciliation-and-healing)

## **CREATION CORNER - provided by Green Team**

### **REDUCE ELECTRICITY USAGE.**

- Shut down your computers.
- Computers are some of the biggest energy wasters. Turn your monitor off at night and dump the screen saver. Today’s computers can be turned off and on more than 40,000 times. Opting to turn off your screen saver does nothing to your computer’s lifespan.
- To avoid paying for this “vampire power” (i.e., idle electronics), use a power strip to turn all devices off at once. Flipping the switch on your power strip has the same effect as unplugging each socket from the wall, preventing phantom energy use. So power down!

## **JOIN BOUNCE HOUSE MINISTRY!**

Our friends at UCAN often rent bounce houses for their events. St. Pauls has a bounce house. Pastor Jeff is looking to form a team that could be a bounce house ministry for UCAN events - set up the house, monitor it during use and then take it down at the end of the event. It could be a great way for us to serve UCAN’s kids in North Lawndale. The first event is Foster Parent Appreciation Picnic, 3605 W. Fillmore St., Friday, August 19 from 4-7 p.m. Let Pastor Jeff know if you’d like to be a part of this team at [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org).

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

*See our full event calendar online at [spucc.churchcenter.com/calendar](http://spucc.churchcenter.com/calendar)  
Evening meetings enter through the courtyard door*

## **AUG 3 - WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - 12 p.m., Zoom**

Join our study of the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome! Get the Zoom link from Pastor Jeff at [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org).

**AUG 6, 20 - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROJECT LUNCH** - 9:30 a.m., Kitchen  
We are seeking 4-6 volunteers to prepare lunch for the Community Engagement Project (CEP). A team leader will plan a meal, assign shopping lists, and volunteers will cook a meal together for 35 in the St. Pauls kitchen, which we will bring to the Lincoln Park Community Services shelter at 600 W. Fullerton location to serve at 11:30 a.m.. Learn more and sign up for one or both dates here:  
[spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/category/48250](http://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/category/48250)

**AUG 7 - ST PAULS HANDWORK MEET-UP** - After Worship, Social Hall  
If you enjoy handwork, you're invited to continue our time with each other by sitting together in communion and community on the first Sunday of the month at a drop-in handwork group. We will gather in a corner of the Social Hall for one hour after the worship service. Bring along a sandwich if you wish. New to handwork? We have expert knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, and sewers to help you get started with a project.

**AUG 13 - LIGHTHOUSE FOUNDATION** - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Parlor  
This month's gathering of Lighthouse member congregations will focus on "Event Evangelism." Interested in hosting events about causes, fundraising, and more? Learn tools for how to turn people out to events and justice actions that matter to you. We will practice these skills during the CARE session by promoting LF's OCT. 8 Revival and Gospel Drag Brunch. Register at [bit.ly/LFCARE](http://bit.ly/LFCARE).

**AUG 14 - BOOK DISCUSSION: *THE ROAD TO HEALING*** - 11 a.m., Oscar Mayer Room.  
Please join us to discuss *The Road to Healing: A Civil Rights Reparations Story in Prince Edward County, Virginia (TRTH)* by Ken Woodley, local newspaper editor. As he states, "The narrative unfolds in Virginia but it is a deeply American story. Prince Edward County's ongoing journey of reconciliation blazes a hopeful and redemptive trail throughout difficult human terrain, but the signs are clear enough for a divided nation to follow: We cannot erase the past. The future belongs to someone else. This moment is ours...There can be racial reconciliation. There can be healing." Register and discover more at [spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1337600](http://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1337600).

## OPPORTUNITIES

**ACTIVISM & ADVOCACY MINISTRY** - Do you have a passion for reaching out to others? The St. Pauls Activism & Advocacy Ministry would love you to join us in keeping our church engaged in community outreach. For more information, contact Jennifer Kew, [JenniferLKew@gmail.com](mailto:JenniferLKew@gmail.com), or Pastor Jeff, [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org).

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – Providing flowers for the altar is an excellent way to celebrate a special event in your life: an anniversary, a birthday, a holiday, or just because you like flowers! Sign up for 2022 dates at [spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1078968](http://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1078968). There are still many dates available this year!

**THE BOOK NOOK** – Love to read? We have restarted the Book Nook on the north side of the Social Hall. Find your next good read or drop off books to share. Donations are welcome – just add them to the shelf for “New Arrivals” or leave them on the floor next to the bookcase. We appreciate all genres, including books for kids. Questions or comments, contact Linda Nitzsche at [lindanitz@yahoo.com](mailto:lindanitz@yahoo.com).

**CHURCH CENTER** – [spucc.churchcenter.com](http://spucc.churchcenter.com) is our portal for the Saint Pauls community. See our calendar, register for events, update your information, join our photo directory, manage your online donations, see your giving history, and more!

**CONNECTORS** reach out providing networking and support for members and friends of St. Pauls. Membership is open to all who have the time and the inclination to help. Contact Marcia Volk at [marcia@volkonline.com](mailto:marcia@volkonline.com).

**EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM & CARDS** – You may follow this link for additional information on this form developed by the Connectors: [spucc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/178271](http://spucc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/178271).

**GREEN TEAM** – Help us as a congregation live out what we say in our Statement of Faith: “God calls us to care for creation.” The Green Team welcomes your input, participation and ideas. Joe Womack and Jan Fraccaro are co-chairs. If interested or to offer suggestions, email Jan at [jan.fraccaro@gmail.com](mailto:jan.fraccaro@gmail.com).

**LITTLE LIGHTS** is a St. Pauls early childhood program with classes for 2, 3, and 4-year-olds. We are now accepting applications for 2022. Check out [www.littlelightslp.org](http://www.littlelightslp.org). Email Little Lights Director Erin Fitzgerald at [littlelights@spucc.org](mailto:littlelights@spucc.org).

**SAINT PAULS SOCIAL** – Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Jen Luerssen at [jenluerssen@yahoo.com](mailto:jenluerssen@yahoo.com). Subscribe to the distribution list at [eepurl.com/gQ4Eg1](http://eepurl.com/gQ4Eg1), or look out for future events announced in the bulletin calendar.

**SCRIPTURE READER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – Volunteers are needed for the 10 a.m. in-person worship service each week to read the scripture passage of the day. Learn more and sign up here:

[spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1079008](https://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1079008)

**SPARC (St. Pauls Anti-Racism Cluster)** meets monthly to discern how we as a congregation can answer the call to live our faith in an age of injustice. We invite you to join us in identifying the educational opportunities, resources, and actions to take on our journey toward racial justice. To participate or share your ideas, contact Cindy Ball at [cindyball11@gmail.com](mailto:cindyball11@gmail.com).

**STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. PAULS** – If you're in need of support through a tough time and would like to be matched with someone who would support you with companionship and prayer, or you're feeling called to offer support, speak to Pastor Jeff Carlson ([jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org)), Marti Pechnyo ([mpechnyo@gmail.com](mailto:mpechnyo@gmail.com)), or Barb Kaiser ([bkaiser2213@gmail.com](mailto:bkaiser2213@gmail.com)).

**SUMMER SUNDAY CHILDCARE** – If you plan to have your 2-year-old and under child(ren) attend Summer Church Child Care from June to August 2022, please register at [spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1306425](https://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1306425). Email questions to Children's Program Coordinator Danielle Mayfield at [danielle.mayfield@spucc.org](mailto:danielle.mayfield@spucc.org).

**YOUNG ADULTS** – A group for fun and fellowship for folks in their twenties and thirties. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! Any ideas for future events? Email them at [youngadults@spucc.org](mailto:youngadults@spucc.org).

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week's bulletin or Friday email to [chiggins@spucc.org](mailto:chiggins@spucc.org) no later than 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

**Please limit announcements to 100 words.** Thank you!

## SAINT PAULS PRAYS

*Please clip this page and pray for those who are named below. To have your prayer request included, simply ask a pastor in person, on the phone or by email.*

*Our practice is to run each prayer request for four weeks and then remove it.*

*If you would like to continue a prayer request after four weeks, let a pastor know.*

- Pat Ruch and Al Cernak as they navigate complicated medical care issues.
- Becky Blank, her husband, Hanns Kuttner, and their daughter Emily as Becky undergoes treatment for an aggressive form of cancer.
- Joanne Grauer Desenis at the death of her husband Rev. Phil Desenis. Phil was associate pastor at St. Pauls from 1955-1959, during the time this building was being built.
- Michael Toomin, as he recovers from a back injury and is undergoing physical therapy.
- Family, loved ones and friends of Sharon Phillips at her death. A memorial service will be held at St. Pauls on August 27 at 2 p.m.
- Jan, friend of Gloria Joseph, suffering with pain and complications from a heart procedure.
- Family and friends of Bob and Cheryl Kuba at Bob's passing. A memorial service will be held at St. Pauls on October 16.
- Sergio, grandson of Ivy Sanz, who doctors are concerned might have leukemia.
- Carole Crowley, recovering from a stroke.

### **Prayer, Support, Mental Health Resources**

Even when you walk through the valley of shadows, God is with you. If you or someone you love is feeling completely alone or like life doesn't matter, reach out for help. Help is available for every kind of issue. Contact one of the pastors today for support, referrals, and information that can help you and your loved ones.

## ABOUT ST. PAULS

*Making a Joyful Sound in the City!*

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989, we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open and Affirming" of LGBTQ people.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets, we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most important, over the past 178 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God. We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

Senior Pastor Matt Fitzgerald, [mfitzgerald@spucc.org](mailto:mfitzgerald@spucc.org)  
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For a complete list of St. Pauls Staff, Governance, and Lay Leadership  
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at Lincoln Common Parking Garage, 2300 block of North Lincoln Ave.  
Parking validation is available in the Narthex.



## **WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!**

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,  
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and  
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,  
grandparents and families of all configurations.

Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who grieve.

Welcome to each and to everyone.

We are an Open and Affirming church.

We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and  
we are glad you are here.