

February 4, 2024 ~ 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Gathering Music ~ Mark Handford

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Procession of the Cross and the Elements of Communion

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: As we come to worship, we remember that God meets us here.

People: Our great God pours out his Spirit on this place and time.

Leader: Through the work of the Holy Spirit, God meets us and moves through us, no matter our circumstances.

People: Lord, may we feel your presence and Spirit today and may we be people who reflect your care and love. Amen.

**you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

**Hymn - "Spirit Pour Out" (A. Graham/R. Graham)*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Jesus, you cared for all those in need and even went to those whom society said were unworthy. For the times when we have been close minded, forgive us. And forgive us for when we have not been willing to care for others. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Responsive Chorus #634 ~ "To God Be the Glory" (refrain)

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory: great things he has done!*

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #853 ~ "We Are Marching in the Light of God" (v.1)

We are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God.

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We are marching, we are marching, ooh, We are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, we are marching, ooh, We are marching in the light of God.

Offering Prayer

***Doxology ~ “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (Avery and Marsh)
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.***

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 147:1-11

Special Music ~ “I Will Dwell in You” (C. Gray) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ 1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Message ~ “All Things to All People”

***Hymn #819 ~ “Be Still, My Soul”**

A time for sharing the joys and concerns of our community.

Congregational Response: Lord, hear our Prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer ~ *in unison*

**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.**

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper ~ *responsive*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

***“All Belong Here”~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many
Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.
At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding’s ok.
At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace.***

*Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.
Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.*

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #729 - *"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"*

*Benediction

*Choral Response #613- *"O Lord, Our Lord, How Majestic Is Your Name"* (x2)
*O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
O Lord, our Lord how majestic is your name in all the earth.
O Lord, we praise your name. O Lord, we magnify your name:
Prince of Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.*

Postlude

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**Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on
Sunday, February 11, 2024.**

**"Souper" Bowl of Caring will also be held on February 11 - Super Bowl Sunday.
Please be prepared to make a donation to support your favorite team.
Proceeds will be sent to the Crossroads Soup Kitchen.**

**Ash Wednesday Worship Service will be at 6:30PM on February 14, preceded by a simple
soup supper at 6:00PM. Watch for a sign up.**

**St. Paul's Lenten Wednesdays will begin on February 28 and meet each week through
March 20th. Pastor Nate will lead a study entitled *Immediately: A Crash Course in the
Gospel of Mark*. We will meet over a simple soup lunch at NOON followed by the study.
Bring a Bible! Invite a friend! Watch for a sign up.**

From Kathy Potter...Our next **ROMANS** event is **Sunday, March 10** right after worship! Our project that day will be assembling kits that will then be delivered to **The Clean Love Project** based out of Romulus. From their website: The Clean Love Project (TCLP) launched in 2015 with the mission to help women and young girls feel clean, loved, and empowered. TCLP distributes kits containing essentials - including feminine hygiene projects - to those who need them most. Kits are delivered to homeless & women's shelters, transitional housing programs, food pantries & school districts. To date, TCLP has distributed more than 40,000 kits. The Clean Love Project was highly recommended to us by Steve Boyak, friend of St. Paul's & son of Arnie & Doris Boyak. Steve's home congregation has been supporting this organization for a while. Part of the mission is to collect the items needed to supply the kits over the next 5 weeks! So, we are requesting donations of the following items. Our goal is 80 kits. If we receive more, we will assemble more! **Please consider donating items or, if you prefer, funds** (so that the Faith Formation Committee can purchase additional items not donated).

Please make your donations by March 4th so that we will know how much we will need to fill in. Numbers indicated next to items are the total number we will need to complete our goal of 80 kits. **Individually wrapped toothbrushes (80); Travel sized toothpaste (80); Deodorant, neutral or women's (80); New socks (80 pair); Travel size Flushable Wipes packs (80); Tampons, individually wrapped (800); Sanitary napkins, individually wrapped (400). Each kit must include the above & are priority.** Other items, listed here, are welcome, but not essential. Lip balm, travel size soaps, combs, bandages, hair ties, tissues. There will be a box in the front lobby in which to place donated items. We will assemble the kits on March 10th following lunch!

Thank you to all who have contributed to the 2024 Annual Per Capita and/or Shared Mission requests. All PCUSA churches are assessed Per Capita for each member listed on their rolls. By requesting each member to contribute their share, the impact on the General Fund is reduced. And each year, all PCUSA churches are asked to make a contribution to the Shared Mission global efforts of the PCUSA.

A donation to this request, on behalf of St. Paul's, like the Per Capita, is voluntary, but greatly appreciated.

Please hold those listed in prayer... and REVIEW and REPORT updates, PLEASE!



Bill Garvey, Mike Graham, Janet Frank, Grace Erwin
 August and Faith Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Steve Boyak, Sheldon Davis, Pam Phillips
 Suzanne Tabaka, Jim Roye, Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell
 Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips, Anna Richardson, Nate Statly (MSU shooting victim) ~ friend of Joey Nicholas
 Kris Purdy ~ niece of Grace Erwin; Julie Newell ~ cousin of Pam Phillips
 Elizabeth ~ sister-in law of Pat Garvey and Andy ~ nephew of Pat Garvey
 Linda Thompson and her sister, Shirley Kircoff
 Joan Velis and family; John Branch ~ father of Christie Piastowski
 Dave Schulz ~ nephew of Carol and Mike Graham
 Cousins of Terry Earnley and Jennifer Speiles ~ friend of Terry Earnley
 Lois Wludyka and John Candiloro ~ friends of August Kornowicz
 Ray and Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don and Meta Tulley
 Richard Rosenberg and Mike Hyatt ~ friends of Judy McGregor
 Sarah and Mason Young ~ family of Judy McGregor
 Jennifer ~ friend of Judy McGregor
 Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August and Faith Kornowicz
 Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie and Marc Whitlock
 Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen, Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck
 Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean
 Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit; Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt
 Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike and Carol Graham
 Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of the late Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda Seymour
 David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook
 Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips; Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo
 Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling and Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron and Janet Frank
 Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon and Marion Davis