

May 8, 2022 ~ 4th Sunday of Easter

Welcome and Announcements ~ Chery Nicholas

Prelude ~ *"I Love to Tell the Story"* (arr. Larson) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ *responsive*

Leader: In times of hardship and in times of joy,

People: we belong to our loving God.

Leader: And in life and in death,

People: we belong to God. Amen.

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

**Hymn #14 ~ "For the Beauty of the Earth"*

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ *in unison*

Christ, you are our shepherd who leads us and guides us through all the stages of our lives. For the times when we have strayed from your guidance and instead sought sin and selfishness, forgive us. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Responsive Chorus #240 ~ *"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"*

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

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

People: And also with you.

Responsive Chorus #267 ~ *"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"* (v. 1)

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!

*Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!.*

Offering Prayer

**Doxology ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* (Avery & 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 23

Special Music ~ *"Honor and Praise"* (T. Paris) ~ Celebration Choir

Christian Scripture ~ John 10:22-30

Message ~ "Jesus' Sheep"

*Hymn #722 ~ *"Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak"*

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation #286 ~ *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

*Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.*

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.

*Hymn #187 ~ *"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

***Benediction**

*Response #232 ~ *"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"* (v. 4)

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

Postlude ~ *"Majesty"* (arr. Greer) ~ in memory of Leigh's mom, her favorite.

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A note from Mark Handford...

"What a wonderful welcome to the church last week! Thank you all!"

Thank you to all who participated in the ROMANS event last Sunday.

Stewardship update:

General Fund income – First Quarter 2022: \$40,097.12

Building Improvement Fund income – First Quarter 2022: \$6,837.00

Where some of your tithes and offerings go:

Consumers Energy – First Quarter 2022: \$19,177.65; DTE – First Quarter 2022: \$3,972.26

The Foundation asks that you consider your annual support by making a donation in May – there is a designated envelope included in your May packet. Please make your checks payable to St. Paul's Foundation - their account is separate from the church account.

“The Nominations Committee has returned. But don't worry, those calls you're getting are still for the extended warranty and not from your fellow members (yet). The Nominations Committee is instead seeking those who hear the calling from God to serve in a role of leadership. St. Paul's has positions as Ruling Elders, Deacons, Trustees, Foundation Trustees and even one spot to serve ON the Nominating Committee. The next committee meeting will be in May, please let Pastor Nate, Elder Jeff or Wanda in the office know when you hear the call so you don't get a random call from us.”

CARES in Farmington Hills has been providing comprehensive support services to 500+ families in 9 cities in the form of a food pantry and store. Located in what used to be St. Alexander's Church at 27835 Shiawassee Rd., this organization has been operational since 2017, providing food, clothing and other household goods to the surrounding 9 cities. CARES has reached out to St. Paul's in the hope that we could partner in their campaign to fill the store with items that are sometimes difficult to acquire by families in dire financial straits by asking for donations of 4-Roll packs of bathroom tissue (this size is necessary for distribution purposes) and Laundry detergent. These items may be dropped off in the lobby. The deacons would like to distribute these items to CARES by the end of May. The Board of Deacons thanks you for your support!



August Kornowicz, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton
Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Jerry Stone
Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips
Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff; Ray & Mary Clark ~ neighbors of Don & Meta Tulley
Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor
Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz
Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock
Rosemary Iaquina ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen
Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; 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
Janet Kusahara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham
MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne; Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
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 & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

