

This Week's Schedule

Today 8:30 a.m. Praise band practice (sanctuary)
 9 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Class
 10:10 a.m. Worship (sanctuary)
 11:15 a.m. Apple crisps and fellowship/snacks
 5 p.m. Genesis study - Ch. 2 (Feller Lounge)
 6:30 p.m. Set up for YoungLife (S. Dining Hall)
 7:11 p.m. YoungLife (Schuldt Dining Hall)

Mon., 9/28 **Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.**
 12 p.m. Pastor Mike at Rotary
 7 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (NE entrance)

Tues., 9/29 **Office Closed - Agnews in MO for college visit** 
 1:30 p.m. Mat weaving (Feller Lounge)

Wed., 9/30 **Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.**
9 a.m. Bulletin submissions due
 10 a.m. Pastor Mike has phone call.
 5:45 p.m. Bell Choir (sanctuary)
 6:30-8:30 p.m. Pastor Mike in online Leadership Institute for continuing education
 7 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (NE entrance)

Thurs., 10/1 **Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.**
 9 a.m.-4:45pm Pastor Mike in online Leadership Institute for continuing education

Fri., 10/2 **No office hours and Pastor Mike's day off**
 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Pastor Mike in online Leadership Institute for continuing education
 TBD Walkers meet at church.
 3 p.m. Homecoming parade
National Custodian Day - Thank you, Betty!



Sat., 10/3 Schuldt Dining Hall reserved all day.

Sun., 10/4 9 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Class
 9:15 a.m. Praise band practice (sanctuary)
 10:10 a.m. Worship/communion (sanctuary)
 11:15 a.m. Fellowship/snacks (Sch. Dining Hall)
 5 p.m. Genesis study - Ch. 3 (Feller Lounge)

Last Week's Attendance

Worship: 100 Sunday School: 38* * includes adult leaders

Welcome!

September 27, 2026

10:10 a.m.



ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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Follow us on Facebook for the most current news. Worship services are available on YouTube and our Facebook page. Sermons are available on KCHE at 8:45 a.m. on Sundays and by podcast.

Order of Worship

* Indicates that all who are able are invited to stand in praise of God.

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Let your light shine!

People: Let your hearts be glad!

Leader: God is faithful to us, and God rules in love.

People: Then, let us worship God.



Opening Prayer

*Praise Song "Soul on Fire" Please see screen.

*The Apostles' Creed No. 881

Children's Choir "Supersized" and "This is What I Pray"

Children's Time

3rd Grade Bible Presentation

Finley Boothby Ryver King Meredith Rochleau

Jack Cook Kinnick Knippel

Kade Lucas will be receiving a Bible at a later date.

Christian Education Teacher Recognition

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Hymn "Victory in Jesus" No. 370

Scripture Reading Revelation 13:1-18

Message "Exiles in Babylon"

Offering and Noisy Offering for Children's Ministries

Please see the sign on the narthex glass for electronic options.

*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn "Shalom to You" No. 666

*Benediction and Postlude

Fellowship and Snacks Schuldt Dining Hall (downstairs)

Staff and Today's Worship Assistants

Pastor: Mike Agnew

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Agnew

Financial Secretary: Sarah Cook

Custodian: Betty Harman

Nursery:

N. Greeter: Linda Struck

Liturgist: Linda Rutter

Children's Time: Heidi Gerstandt

Ushers: Gigi Boothby,

Kent Lundquist, Nancy Sears, Rod Raveling, & Ervina Scott

Bell Choir Director:

Dusty Basten

Chancel Choir Director:

Kathy Brandt

Drummers: Kent Lundquist

Kyle Basten

Guitarist: Charlie Leissler

Organist/Pianist:

Meribeth Adams



The altar arrangement is given by the St. Paul's church family in honor of the Christian education teachers, the 3rd grade students receiving Bibles, and the Children's Choir.

October 4th Worship Assistants

Organist/Pianist: Betty Point

Nursery: Megan Courtright

N. Greeters: Mike & Deb Samuelson

Flowers: The Conley Family

Liturgist & Children's Time: Bonni Conley

Ushers: Jean & Gene Anderson, Darrel & Sue Paulsen, and Jeannette Grant

Communion Stewards: Curt & Kristal Phillips, Linda Rutter, Gigi Boothby, and Jim & Peggy Corrington

Sermon: "The Battle is Already Won" (Revelation 19-22)

Resources Available for Worship

Welcome! We are glad you're here. Assistive listening devices and children's activity bags are available in the narthex (room at back of sanctuary). Please inquire at the sound booth if you would like to try an assistive listening device. If your child needs a changing table, one is available in the bathroom under the west entrance staircase and in the nursery. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

Nursery Available



Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service! We also have a staffed nursery available for birth through 2nd graders that is located on the second floor of the education wing in the second classroom closest to the sanctuary.

Lay Members to Annual Conference Needed

Each year, United Methodist clergy and laity representatives from Iowa UM Churches meet at the Iowa Annual Conference to celebrate the ministries of the conference, worship, ordain new clergy, and complete church business. St. Paul's is allotted three representatives. Linda Burkhart is one, but we need two more. The next Annual Conference will take place in Coralville from June 17th-19th, 2027, and you may attend online or in person. For those attending in person, expenses can be covered by the church. **If you are interested in learning more, please contact Pastor Mike by October 11th.**

Teen Time Date Change



Due to a change in the YoungLife schedule, our October Teen Time gathering has been rescheduled to Wednesday, October 14th.

Parade Walkers and Candy Needed

The homecoming parade is scheduled for Friday, October 2nd, at 3 p.m. Walkers are needed to represent St. Paul's and to pass out candy. Please sign up in the narthex if you are able to volunteer. Candy (not chocolate, as it melts) is also needed. To donate, please leave candy on the table in the narthex today or in the office by tomorrow (9-12 & 1-3).



Salads & Dessert Bars Needed for Oct. 25th

Salads and dessert bars are needed for the upcoming Fall Missions Dinner, and desserts are also needed for the upcoming Bingo night. Please see the sign ups in the narthex for details, or stop by the office during the week (M-Th.; 9-12 & 1-3).

Pies Needed for Election Day Luncheon

36 pies are needed for the Election Day Luncheon. If you'd like to donate, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.

Volunteer Sign-Ups



If you are able to help with funeral dinners or would like to assist in worship as a liturgist, by providing the children's message, or by providing altar flowers, please see the clip boards in the narthex.

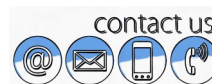


Thank you to all of the Sunday School, Adult Class, and Teen Time leaders.
You make a difference!

World Communion Sunday

October 4th is World Communion Sunday, which is one of six churchwide special Sundays designated to support ministries and causes important to the entire United Methodist Church. Next Sunday, United Methodists join Christians around the world in celebrating Holy Communion, remembering that we are one in Christ, no matter our background, language, or culture. It is more than just worship. It is also a time to support scholarships and leadership training for students from underrepresented communities—helping the church become more inclusive and better equipped to serve. 50% of the special offering goes to scholarships, 35% goes to grants, and 15% goes to leadership programs. For more information, see the card in your pew pocket, or visit <https://www.umc.org/en/how-we-serve/umcgiving/special-sundays/churchwide-special-sundays/world-communion-sunday-ministry-article>. To give, please make your check out to St. Paul's UMC, and write "World Communion" on the memo line.

Updated Addresses & Phone Numbers Needed



Our church directory hasn't been updated and printed since the pictorial directory in late 2023. If you or a family member have a new address or phone number since that time, please let Jennifer in the office know. **Please make sure to let Jennifer know if you don't want your phone number to be public, even if you mentioned that in previous years. There are a lot of people to remember with 957 people in the membership database.**

Ingathering Funds Needed

Monetary donations are needed to help pay for supplies and postage for the 100 school kits our congregation will donate for Ingathering in November. Please make your check out to St. Paul's UMC, and write "Ingathering" on the memo. (Total given as of Sept. 20 is \$745)



Apple crisps available after worship for \$10/each!

