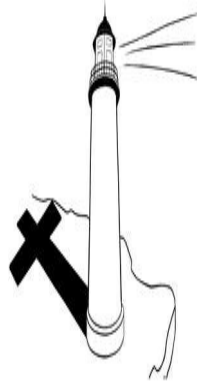


ST. PAUL'S
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST

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The Beacon



MARCH 2020

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Closed
Tuesday-Friday:
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Other times by appointment

CHURCH WEB SITE:
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Rev. Jeremy Hylan, Pastor

John Brown, President
Jim Schwarten, Vice President
Lisa Flook, Organist
Leslie Ellair, Choir Director
Patricia Jaberg, Handbell Dir.
Lisa Drews, Admin. Assist.
Carol Reineking, Custodian

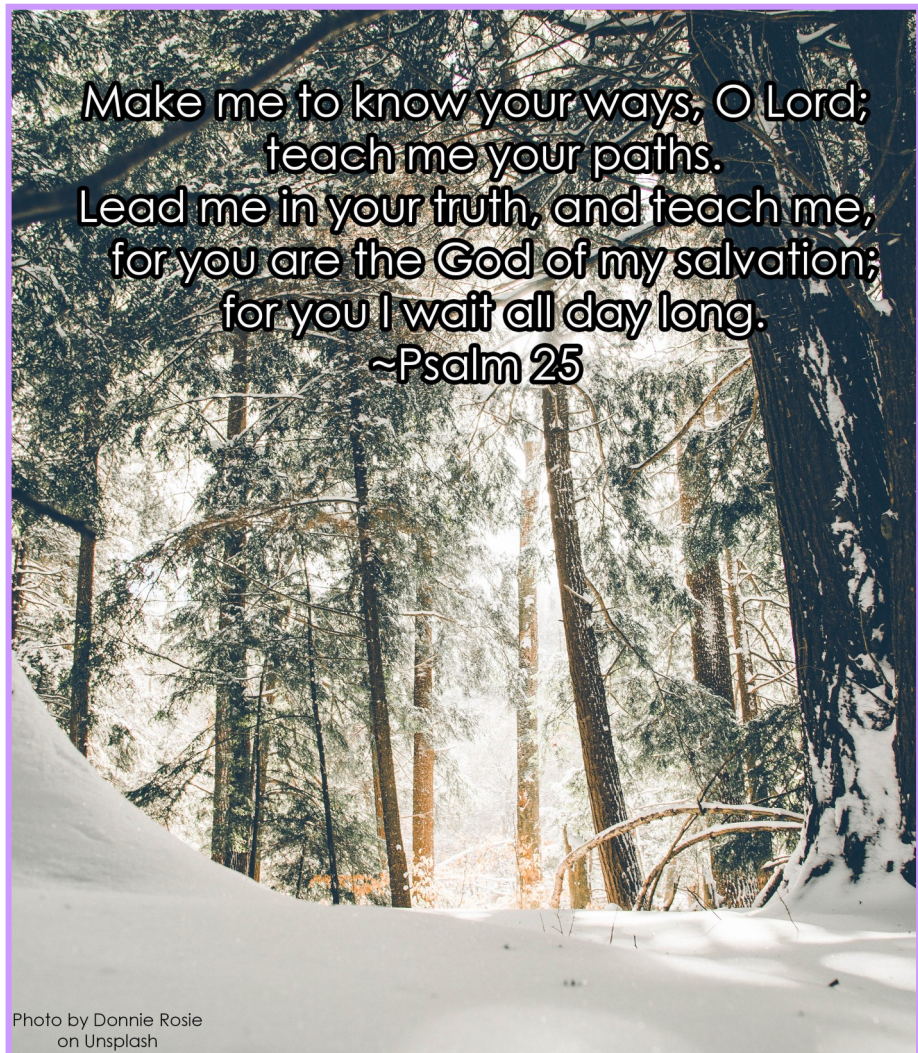
Sunday School
Sunday @ 8:45 a.m.

Traditional Worship
Sunday @ 10:00 a.m.

Communion -
Second Sunday of each
month

Our Mission:

With love and compassion for
all, we guide and nurture
God's children, young and
old, on our spiritual journey
together.



Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.
~Psalm 25

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Pastor's Page

As we journey through Lent together, I wanted to share with you how the confirmands have begun to understand and interpret our United Church of Christ Statement of Faith.

United Church of Christ Statement of Faith

We believe in God, the Eternal Spirit, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father, and to his deeds we testify:

He calls the worlds into being, creates man in his own image and sets before him the ways of life and death.

He seeks in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

He judges men and nations by his righteous will declared through prophets and apostles.

In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, he has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to himself.

He bestows upon us his Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

He calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be his servants in the service of men, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory.

He promises to all who trust him forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, his presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in his kingdom which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto him. Amen.

United Church of Christ Statement of Faith

*As interpreted by Ethan Entringer,
Kyle Flook, and Henry White*

We believe in God, the Holy Spirit, and Jesus Christ.

God created the world and made us each unique. God lets us live our own lives.

God loves everyone unconditionally and saves everyone from sin (those bad and foolish things) through that love.

God's prophets and apostles show and tell us the right way of doing things.

Jesus came to us to save us from our sins and to teach us the ways of our God. Jesus came to be one of us and bring us together as one family.

Jesus came to us to share his gratefulness for God's love. Jesus came to renew the church by sharing faith and accepting all people.

God calls us to follow the example of Jesus. God calls us to be a family in good times and bad. God calls us to live a faithful life.

God promises all of those who follow to be forgiven from sin and to be welcomed into God's kingdom.

We give all our thanks to God. Amen.



Consistory at Work

Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Pastor Jeremy Hylan, John Brown, Greg Peterson, Mason White, Steve Flook, Joanne Laux, Deb Severns, Vicki Radovan, April Koranda, Jim Schwarten, Bruce Neils and Melody Kolb. **Absent:** Rhoda Cheney.

Treasurer's Report and Stewardship Report for December 2019 (Greg Peterson):

Total Income: \$18,568. Total expenses: \$18,620. Net Income: \$-52.

Cash Balance: General Fund: \$ -8,938. Building Improvement Fund: \$19,316. Parsonage Fund: \$109,510.

Memorial Fund: \$22,746. Sunday School \$6,182. Endowment: \$750,000.

Stewardship Report Weekly Giving total: \$9,116.

Attendance was down from the previous year.

Second Mile giving was \$1,641.

Endowment Fund was set up with the UCC Board.

Office supplies were up.

Head Trustee Report (Mason White):

Plumber questioned the incasing of the dishwasher. It will be framed out. Pastor is buying a plug kit for an additional outlet above the dishwasher.

Board of Christian Education Report by Jeremy Hylan for (Deb Severns):

They are working on Easter. Kids scavenger, egg and breakfast.

Carnival – keeping it inside, getting new games and anticipating attendance will increase.

Blue Harbor event set for Sunday, February 16. Have 10 spectators and 38 swimmers.

Looking into mission trips. Working on finding a week everyone is available.

Pastor's Report (Jeremy Hylan):

Lent approaching. Worshiping with St. John's UCC on Thursdays. Men's Choir will sing.

Dishwasher in. New countertop to be installed at cost from Damrow. Replacing the faucet and putting a shelf above the dishwasher, just under the cabinet. Pastor found 5 ½ plates and cups.

David Wernecke sings with a Gospel Choir and looking to see if St. Paul's would want to host. Hosting would include site, lunch. There would be a free will offering. We will have the Music Committee review for a possible worship service in the summer.

Carpet: Lyle, Sheboygan Flooring gave us bids. Dulmes comes Monday. It has been suggested to do Gathering Room and hall. Will look at each year to start on other rooms that really need it.

Mission Trip: 4 interested – Different dates. Still looking at options.

Thrivent gave a \$63,000 grant for building a home in Sheboygan County. They want to work with churches. Breaking ground in March/April.

Fund Raiser: Hearts for Habitat. 1. Working with the kids at Lent with Calendar. 2. Sign a stud. Looking to be a partner with Habitat – Pastor will get more information and we will vote on it next month.

Lisa Flook working on getting an Organ Committee together. The piano in the choir room also has a broken key. The committee will also be looking into pianos since all are in bad shape.

President's Report (John Brown):

Next Consistory Meeting March 11 at 7 pm.

Other Business:

Discussion on Blood pressure cuff and AED. Are our First Aid Kits current and where are they located in the church? April Koranda will check out the First Aid Kits and check on prices to make them current.





Looking for a laptop/tablet/chrome book for the Secretary to use. Also looking for church. Brian Severns is looking into options/cost.



2020

MARCH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship with Children's Choir	2 1 pm Dartball Saints @ Tigers 6 pm Girl Scouts	3	4 9:00 am Lenten Breakfast/Worship 5 pm Confirmation Class	5 10:00 am Healing Hearts 6:45 pm Lenten Worship at St. John's UCC	6	7
8 Daylight Saving Time Starts 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship with Communion 11 am Women's Guild Exec. Board Meeting Order SCRIP	9 1 pm Dartball Saints@ Creamers	10	11 5 pm Confirmation Class 6 pm Bell Choir Practice 7 pm Consistory Meeting	12 6:45 pm Lenten Worship at St. John's UCC	13	14
15 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship	16 1 pm Dartball Rookies @ Saints 6 pm Girl Scouts	17	18 9:00 am Lenten Breakfast/Worship 5:00 pm Messy Church 7 pm Bell Choir Practice	19 10:00 am Healing Hearts 6:45 pm Lenten Worship at St. John's UCC	20	21
22 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship	23 1 pm Dartball Saints @ Rocks	24 Beacon articles due	25 5 pm Confirmation Class 7 pm Bell Choir Practice	26 6:45 pm Lenten Worship at St. John's UCC	27	28
29 8:45 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship with Bell Choir	30 1 pm Dartball Saints@Sureshots 6 pm Girls Scouts	31				

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March Birthdays

James Kolb	March 2
Doug Blindauer	March 5
Susan Walter	March 5
Kenneth Holzer	March 8
Lisa Drews	March 12
Joanne Lensink	March 13
Karen Troeger	March 14
Richard Endres	March 20
Charlie White	March 21
Julie Englebert	March 27
Richard Reineking	March 30
Logan Severns	March 30

If we missed anyone or made a mistake, we're sorry. Please call the church office with any corrections. Thank you!



MIDWEEK LENTEN BREAKFAST SCHEDULE:

St. Paul's Women's Guild is hosting Lenten Breakfast the following Wednesdays at 9:00 am:

- March 4 - Mr. Mike King
- March 18 - Rev. Kristal Klemme
- April 1 - Rev. Beth Petzke

LENTEN THURSDAY MIDWEEK EVENINGS:

March 5, 12, 19, 26 and April 2 at St. John's UCC, Sheboygan at 6:45 pm

HOLY WEEK SERVICES:

Palm Sunday: April 5 @ 10 am
Maundy Thursday: April 9 @ 7 pm

Schedule for March

Liturgists

- 1 - Mason White
- 8 - Ervida Van Straten
- 15 - YOUTH
- 22 - Vicki Radovan
- 29 - James Schwarten

Ushers

- 1 - Mike King, Jeff & Allison Ritt, and Jim Schwarten
- 8 - Daniel & Ervida Van Straten, Keith & Mary Risse
- 15 - YOUTH
- 22 - Jay, Julie & Jake Englebert, and Richard Belitz
- 29 - Mason White, Steve and Meghan Flook, and Laurie Hylan

Acolytes

- 1 - Tessa Englebert
- 8 - Shawn Peterson
- 15 - Jake Englebert
- 22 - Wyatt Radloff
- 29 - Tessa Englebert

March Chancel Lady

Ervida Van Straten

Daylight Saving Time Starts March 8, 2020

When local standard time is about to reach Sunday, March 8 @ 2:00 am clocks are turned forward 1 hour to Sunday, March 8, 3:00 am local daylight time instead.

Spring Peanut Butter Drive

St. Paul's will begin its Spring Peanut Butter Drive for the Sheboygan County Food Bank on Sunday, March 1st. The drive will continue into April with a dedication on Palm Sunday, April 5th. A shopping cart will soon be available in the Gathering Area for donations.

SCRIP Order Dates

Monthly SCRIP orders will be taken on March 8, April 12, May 10 and June 14.

Faye's Pizza Fundraiser

The Sunday school will be holding a Faye's pizza fundraiser to raise money for the Sunday school curriculum. This year we have added a place to donate pizza for Christian Education programming. The order forms are in the gathering area and any CE board member would be glad to assist. The deadline to order is Easter Sunday, April 12. Vouchers will be available April 26.

St. Paul's Consistory Members for 2020

John Brown	President
Jim Schwarten	Vice President
Greg Peterson	Treasurer
Melody Kolb	Secretary
Mason White	Head Trustee
Rhoda Cheney	Steve Flook
JoAnn Laux	Deb Severns
Vicki Radovan	April Koranda
Bruce Neils	

Fellowship Time Thank You

The Ladies of the Women's Guild would like to thank the following people that sponsored snacks and refreshments after church. Daniel and Ervida Van Straten, Barb Trautman, Linda Mueller, Kent & Mandy Radloff, Tim Bersch and Robin & Elizabeth Passmore, Jean & Bryan Dickmann, Linda Horn, Agnes Kunstmann, the Women's Guild, and the students of St. Paul's UCC. A special thank you to the Board of Christian Education for working with the students, planning and serving treats.

All your special treats are greatly appreciated as our faith family enjoys wonderful fellowship and sharing time together. Thank you for your generosity. God's many blessings to each of you.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Program at Lakeland University

Members of St. Paul's UCC are welcome to attend the program *Religious Traditions of the Hmong*, on **Tuesday, March 3, 6:30 to 8:00 pm, Laun 209**. The program seeks to broaden participant's understanding of different religious faiths and engender respect for diverse cultures. There is no charge for this program and reservations are not needed.

Sheboygan Peace Park

Friends of Peace Park Sheboygan invite you to visit Sheboygan Peace Park located at N. 3rd Street and Michigan Avenue at Broughton Drive, along Sheboygan's Lake Michigan shoreline This park is a place ~ to share community, peace and healing accessible to all ~ to gather, linger and relax ~ to experience the joy of going to a beautiful location to pause and reflect.

You can support efforts in continuing to beautify this park by making a donation or purchasing an engraved paver or a permanent bench to honor a loved one. To learn more about Sheboygan Peace Park and the organization, contact Mary at 920-889-0082. You can also visit their website at www.sheboyganpeacepark.org.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Waterford: Minnett Suscha

Pine Haven: Madeline Herr

The Shores of Sheboygan: Luella Mueller

Members at Home: Wendy Bohannon,

Violet Kuitert, James Schuh, Caroline Rodewald,

Jeanette Schutt, and Cindy Vogel