ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



November 3, 2024
ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:15am | Service with Holy Communion in Nave

9:00am | Choir Practice

9:30am | Education Hour with Sunday School, Confirmation Class and Adult Forum

10:30am | Service with Holy Communion in Nave and Online

11:30am | Coffee Hour

LIVESTREAMING

Worship is streamed on the St. Paul Lutheran Facebook page. A Facebook account is not necessary to stream, however, without a Facebook account the stream works on a computer browser only and not on a phone.

WEEKLY UPDATE NEWSLETTER

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SERVING THE COMMUNITY TODAY ARE:

Kelli Oliver and Jennifer Parker, *Altar Guild*Simon D. S. and Felix D. S., *Acolytes*Peter Hedlund, *Lector*Kerri Frick, *Deacon*Bev Hjorth, *Cantor*Dan Ries, *Usher*Hollie Schmidt, *Livestream Broadcast*Peter and Hollie Schmidt, *Coffee Guild*



Today's altar flowers are given by the White / Turner family in gratitude for Pastor Liz's service.

Cover Art:

Ghent Altarpiece
Jan and Hubert Van Eyck
Completed 1432
Oil on oak panel
St. Bavo Cathedral, Ghent, Belgium

When the instruction for standing * appears, please stand as you are able and as seems comfortable. At the \boxtimes , you may make the sign of the cross, which reminds us of our baptism.

The congregational responses are printed in **bold**.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME

* ALL SAINTS' REMEMBRANCE

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, \pm one God, the fountain of living water, who loves us and frees us from our sins, who leads us with all the saints to everlasting life.

Amen.

In thanksgiving we rejoice with those who were made part of the body of Christ through baptism:

Mira Nancy Sharma

We rejoice.

Most merciful and most high God, creator and giver of life, you have called all the people from darkness into light, from error into truth, from death into life. Grant grace through baptism and bless your people. Raise them by your Spirit. Revive them by your word. Form them by your hand. Bring them to the water of life and to the bread and cup of blessing.

Amen.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus, we were baptized into his death. We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live a new life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. O God of grace and glory, we remember before you today our sisters and brother in Christ who have entered the church triumphant:

Jeanne Woodward and Rick Johnson

We give thanks.

Holy God, we honor these, our ancestors in faith and members of our family. We, too, seek to do your will: guide us.

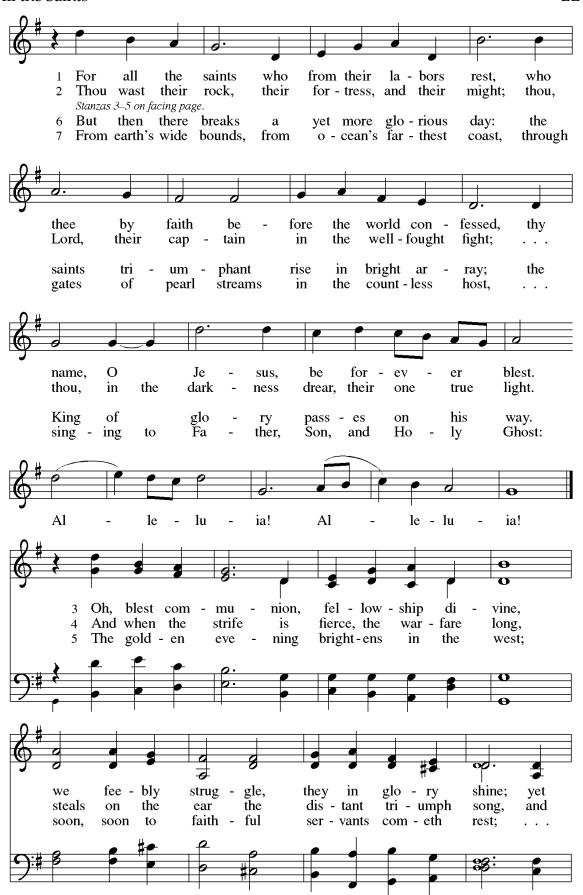
We, too, desire to be your servants: strengthen us.

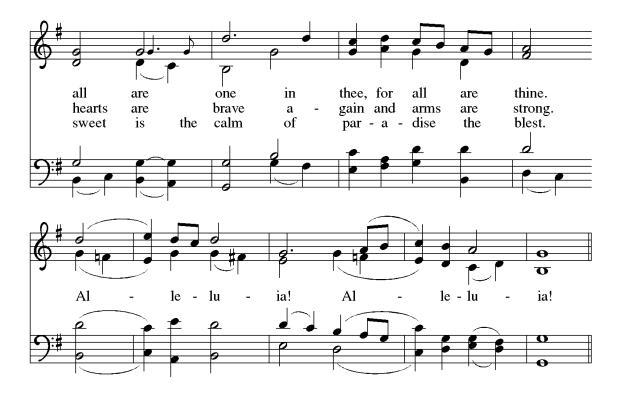
We, too, long to know you clearly: teach us.

And in time, bring us to our eternal home of peace and joy.

Amen.

"For All the Saints" ELW 422





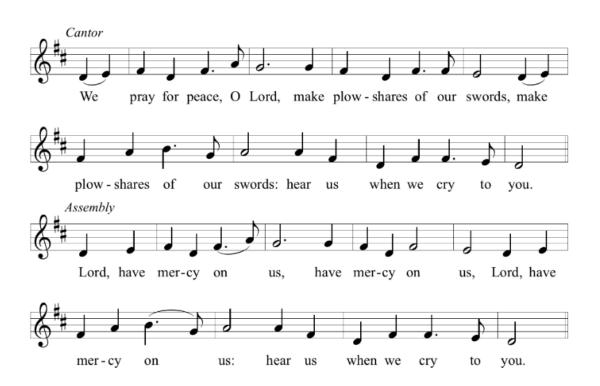
Text: William W. How, 1823–1897 Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

*KYRIE



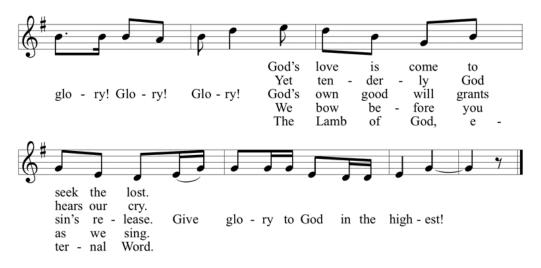


Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Kyrie Music: My Father, How Long, African American spiritual

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Above the Hills the Angel Hosts"





Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Gloria in excelsis Music: The Devil's Nine Questions, Appalachian traditional

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 25:6–9

Isaiah sees a vision of the end of days, when God will gather all people on God's holy mountain and will prepare for them a rich feast. At this banquet God will wipe the tears from all eyes. And there will be no more sorrow, for God will destroy death itself.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,

of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain

the shroud that is cast over all peoples,

the covering that is spread over all nations;

⁸ he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,

and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,

for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,

"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The earth is the Lord's and all | that is in it, the world and those who | dwell therein.

For the Lord has founded it up- | on the seas and established it up- | on the rivers.

Who may ascend the mountain | of the Lord, and who may stand in God's | holy place?

Those of innocent hands and puri- 'ty of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by 'what is false.

They shall receive blessing | from the Lord and righteousness from the God of | their salvation.

Such is the generation of those who seek 'you, O Lord, of those who seek your face, O 'God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting doors, that the King of glory | may come in.

Who is this | King of glory?

The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, might- | y in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- | lasting doors, that the King of glory | may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

Truly, the Lord of hosts is the King of glory.

SECOND READING Revelation 21:1–6a

Here is a vision of the new heaven and new earth in which God resides fully with God's people so that mourning, despair, and pain have been eradicated. These renewing words from the God who spans all of time are trustworthy and true.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them and be their God;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

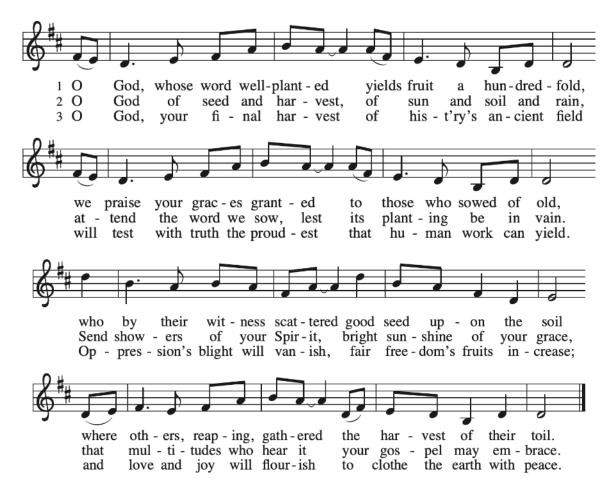
And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new."

Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (10:30 service)



Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007 Music: ABIDING PRESENCE, Stephen P. Folkemer, b. 1952

* GOSPEL John 11:32–44

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him,

"Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The gospel of the Lord.

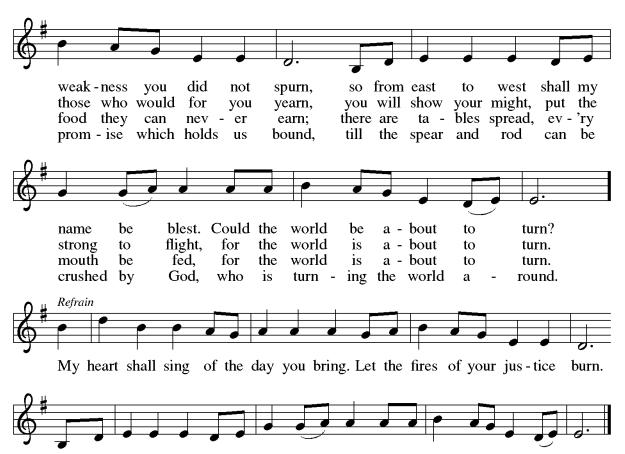
Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Liz Senft

SERMON Pastor Liz Senft

* HYMN OF THE DAY





Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat Music: STAR OF COUNTY DOWN, Irish traditional

APOSTLE'S CREED

In response to the gospel, let us confess the faith of the church:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The leader will read the first and last prayer, those in the congregation are invited to read aloud the other prayers as they feel called.

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

O God of resurrection, you call us by name and raise us to life. Rouse your church from slumber. Where we have held back in fear or shame, unbind us. Embolden us in our proclamation of your good news, that all may know abundant life. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God of creation, you have founded your world on rivers and seas. Preserve fresh water sources and the creatures who call them home. Heal places of pollution and nourish places of drought. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

O God of the earth, you reign over all nations and peoples. Inspire us with wisdom and discernment as we elect legislators and leaders. May they govern with justice and uphold the dignity of all people. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

O God of the ages, amid all the turmoil and changes of the world, your love is steadfast and your strength never fails. In this time of danger and trouble, be to us a sure guardian and rock of defense. Guide the leaders of our nation with your wisdom, comfort those in distress, and grant us courage and hope to face the future. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God of heaven, you make your home among mortals. Come alongside those who weep this day. Befriend all who are lonely, encourage those in despair, and heal any who are suffering, especially Dan, Lynn, Marilyn, Meredith, Owen, Paul, and Susan. Abide with your faithful ones in love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

O God who serves, you set before us a feast of rich food. Sustain our ministries of fellowship and hospitality. Strengthen the hands and hearts of all who prepare and serve food for our nourishment. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Almighty God, in Christ's resurrection you ensure that though life be wrenched away, death cannot win the day. We give thanks for the saints who have gone before us and remind us of your victory over death, especially the apostles Simon and Jude. May the truth of your saving grace through faith sustain our hope for life in you. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever for your faithful ones who are now at peace with you, Jeanne Woodward, and Rick Johnson. With Martín de Porres and all your saints, we praise you, for you have swallowed up death forever. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

* PEACE (Keep your hands close together or make the peace sign if you'd rather not pass the peace with touch.)

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

ANTHEM (10:30)

Gloria sei dir gesungen from Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme BWV 140

Gloria sei dir gesungen, mit Menschen- und englischen Zungen, mit Harfen und mit Zimbeln schon. Von zwölf Perlen sind die Pforten, an deiner Stadt sind wir Konsorten der Engel hoch um deine Thron. Kein Aug' hat je gespürt, kein Ohr hat je gehört solche Freude, des sind wir froh, io,io, ewig in dulci jubilo.

J. S. Bach: (1685-1750)

Let Gloria be sung to you with mortal and angelic tongues, with harps and even with cymbals. Of twelve pearls the portals are made, In your city we are companions Of the angels high around your throne. No eye has ever perceived, no ear has ever heard such joy as our happiness, io, io, eternally in *dulci jubilo*!

MEAL

* OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

OFFERING



You may give an offering through the Givelify app by scanning this QR code.

* GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

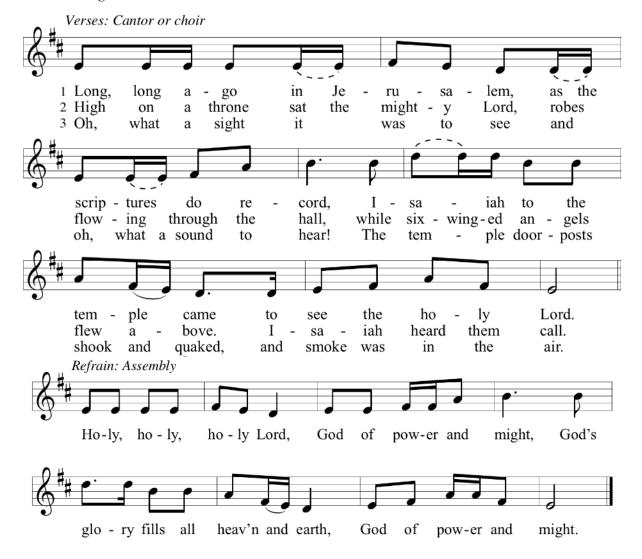
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with

all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(8:15 service sing in unison)



Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Sanctus Music: Shapy Grove, Appalachian traditional

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

* LORD'S PRAYER

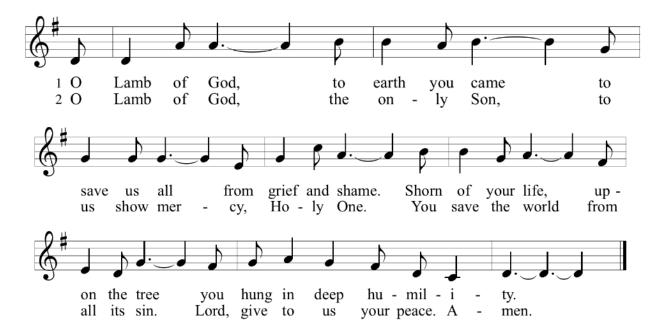
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the bread and the wine. Gluten free wafers are available on request. Both wine and grape juice are available in each tray; the wine is red and the grape juice is white.

Come forward in the center aisle starting at the front of the church. The pastors will motion the first people forward.



Text: Beth Bergeron Folkemer, based on the Agnus Dei Music: The Suffolk Miracle, Appalachian traditional

"In Heaven Above" **ELW 630** In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a-bove, where God our Fa - ther dwells: In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a-bove, what glo - ry deep and bright! In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a-bove, no tears of pain are shed, In heav'n a - bove, in heav'n a-bove, God has pre - pared, a joy how bound-less there the bless-ed-ness! No tongue its great-ness tells. The splen - dor of the noon-day sun grows pale be - fore its noth - ing there can fade or die; life's full - ness round is spread, has nev - er heard, nor mor - tal vi - sion shared, which mor - tal ear There face to face, and full and free, the ev er -The might - y sun that goes not down, be - fore whose and like an o cean, joy o'er - flows, and with im which nev er en tered mor tal thought, in mor tal liv - ing God our God, the Lord hosts! we see, face clouds nev - er frown, is God, the Lord of hosts! mer - cy glows God, the Lord hosts! mor - tal our of dreams was nev er sought, O God, the Lord of hosts!

Text: Laurentius L. Laurinus, 1573–1655; tr. William Maccall, 1812–1888 Music: I HIMMELEN, I HIMMELEN, Norwegian folk tune; arr. Elmer T. R. Hanke, 1901–1958

* TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

* POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (10:30 service. Sing verses 3 and 5 only.)



* PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

* BLESSING

May God bless and keep us. May God's face shine on us and be gracious. May God look on us with favor and + give us peace. **Amen**.

IN GRATITUDE FOR PASTOR LIZ

* SENDING HYMN

"O When the Saints Go Marching In" ACS 950 Oh, when the saints oh, when the go march - ing in, Oh, when the Lord glo - ry comes, oh, when the in vealed, Oh, when the new world is re oh, when the Oh, when they gath round the throne, oh, when they er And on that hal le lu - jah day, and on that O Lord, I saints march - ing in, want to be in that glo - ry O Lord, I Lord in comes, want to be in that O Lord, I in that world is re vealed, want to be gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that hal le lu - jah day, O Lord, I to be in that want when the saints num-ber go march - ing in. num-ber when the Lord in glo comes. ry num-ber when the vealed. new world is re num-ber when they gath er round the throne. num-ber on that hal le lu jah day.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual; arr. hymnal version

* DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

at SAINT PAUL



YOUTH GAME NIGHT | November 10, 7-8:30PM

We will be doing "Minute to Win It" night of games on November 10th from 7:00-8:30. Prizes for winners, snacks, and lots of fun. Open to 5th grade and older. See you then!

GAME NIGHT AT ST. PAUL | Wednesday, November 6 at 7PM

All are invited to a midweek game night! During the tense election week, spend some time in community at St. Paul. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall at 7pm for a time to play games, eat snacks, and just be together. If you have a favorite board game, bring it to share with the group! Hosted by Vicar Sam.

SUPPER CLUB AT ST. PAUL | November 2, 6:00, ongoing

Bring a dish to share with our community. We will be starting a Supper Club on the 1st Saturday of the month. Come when you are able, and enjoy some time with other members of the congregation. All are welcome to join!



THE BOOK OF RUTH ADULT FORUM STUDY | November 3, 10, and 24 at 9:30am

The Book of Ruth is about how certain ordinary people respond to hardships and how their response is part of the larger story of God and God's people. Written ages ago for people of a different culture, it continues to speak to the experience of life for ordinary people today. We'll explore this book together over the span of three weeks. The 2nd session (11/10) will feature a visit from Andrew Teeter, Professor of Hebrew Bible at Harvard Divinity School. All are welcome to join!



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