

ST. PAUL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Service of the Word
Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 15, 2022
Music Sunday

+Denotes please rise, as able

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING the BELLS

PRELUDE ^(P) *When the Saints Go Marching In with
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah* - arr. M. Hayes

BRINGING the LIGHT of CHRIST

INTROIT *Promised Land* -T. Waldrop
Evening Handbells

CALL to WORSHIP (from Psalm 95)

Come, let us sing joyfully to God!

Raise a shout to our rock, our deliverance!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,

and sing our praises with joy.

Come, let us bow down in worship;

let us kneel before God our Maker.

+OPENING HYMN *Sing Praise to God* #6, v.1-4

+PRAYER of INVOCATION

God of all gifts, come be with us as we give you thanks
for the gift of music which speaks to our spirits in ways
that words alone cannot. Our world is overwhelmed
with noise, but you fill us with notes and rhythms that
move us closer to you in mysterious and wonderful ways.
May the music shared this day open our hearts to hear you
more clearly and follow you more nearly. Amen.

+PRAISE RESPONSE

#6, v.6

Dear Christian friends, we bear the name
of Christ, our sure salvation.

Let us recall Christ Jesus came,
most holy incarnation,

**Came from the one God we adore,
came with new life forevermore:
to God give praise and glory!**

A READING FROM PSALMS Psalm 42: 1-4, 8 Susan Hibbits

ANTHEM *As the Deer* - arr. D. Wagner
Chancel Choir and Evening Bells

A READING *Prayer of Consecration* Dean Riebeling

SPECIAL MUSIC *Fanfare* -J. Lemmens
Lori Morton, organ

A READING FROM PSALMS Psalm 98 Wendy Norman

ANTHEM *Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal* -arr. M. Hayes
Chancel Choir

+A READING FROM PSALMS Psalm 100

Make a Joyful noise to God, all the earth

Worship God with gladness;

come into God's presence with singing.

Know that God is sovereign.

It is God that made us.

**and we are God's; we are God's people,
and the sheep of God's pasture.**

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,
and enter God's courts with praise.

Give thanks to God, and bless God's name.

For God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever.

and God's faithfulness to all generations.

+HYMN *For the Music of Creation* (bulletin)
(Please pass your prayer cards to the center aisle during this hymn. An usher will pick it up.)

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
Silent Prayer
The 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 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, for ever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *How Great Thou Art with Majesty* arr. J. Raney
Morning Bells

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY (P) *I'll Fly Away* - A. Brumley
Emily Thoman, Alexis Caldwell, Lori Morton, Trio

+PRAISE RESPONSE

When the Morning Stars Together
tune: Abbot's Leigh

**God, we bring our gift of music;
touch our lips and fire our heart,
Teach our minds and train our senses,
Fit us for this sacred art.
Then with skills and consecration
we would serve you God, and give
all our powers to glorify you,
and in serving fully live.**

+PRAYER of DEDICATION

We offer ourselves with our gifts, confident that you have a purpose for them and for us. Expand our vision to embrace new possibilities. We lift songs and praises and music to you as we re-dedicate our lives to your service. In the Spirit of the Living Christ, we pray and live and love. Amen.

ANTHEM *A Prayer for Healing*

- J. Martin
Chancel Choir

BLESSING OUR MUSICIANS

Bless, O Lord, your servants, who sing your praise and ring your joy, who share their gifts and talents through music as they minister in our Church. Bless them as they have blessed us in so many services of worship throughout the year, and most especially on this glorious day of celebration.

Grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts, and what we believe in our hearts we may practice and show forth in our lives. To you we offer glory, Holy God, now and forever Amen.

+PARTING HYMN *When in Our Music God is Glorified* #561

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE (O) *Trumpet Tune* - H. Purcell

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The flowers on the altar given to the glory of God and in honor of Cathy Fritz, with sincere appreciation, given by a grateful congregation.

The flowers on the organ are given to the glory of God and in honor of our music leaders - Lori, Emily, Sue and Patty, given by the Inspire Band, children's choir, senior choir, and morning and evening handbell choirs. We appreciate all that you do!

Calendar

Sunday, May 15- Music Sunday

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Farewell Reception for Cathy Fritz in Fellowship Hall

Pathfinder Articles Due

Monday, May 16

6 pm Band – New Athens Home

7 pm Board of Worship (note date change)

Tuesday, May 17

6:30 pm Transition Team

Wednesday, May 18

6 pm Confirmation

Thursday, May 19

7 pm Board of Evangelism

Friday, May 20

8 am Quilters

Sunday, May 22 – Senior Recognition Sunday

9:30 am Worship

10:30 am Senior Recognition Celebration in Fellowship Hall

1 pm Junior High Youth – Planning Event

3 pm Senior High Youth – Planning Event

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Week 1: Pastor Debbie Rae, daughter of Pastor Fred and Shirley Wehrenberg; John and Fritz - brothers of Violette Nast; and the family and friends of Don Glenn

Week 2: Steve Sperrato; Joanne Odem; Janet Zinn; and Dorothy Goss

Ongoing: St. Paul UCC; Diane Silva; Dorothy Rey; Jan Hoffmann; residents in Senior Living Centers; and lasting peace throughout the world

MEMORIAL SUNDAY



**Join us in worship on
Memorial Sunday, May 29th.**

**We will honor service members
in worship with the
*Armed Forces Salute!***

Vacation Bible School - VBS

Save the dates June 6-10

Vacation Bible School “Food Truck Party: On the Roll with God.” This VBS invites us to pray as Jesus teaches us in Matthew 6:11: “Give us this day our daily bread.” These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God—and that it is by turning to God in prayer that all our daily needs are met. Through fun activities grounded in stories from the Old and New Testaments, Food Truck Party VBS opens kid’s eyes to the countless ways God provides, loves, and cares for us while inviting us to join God in providing love and caring for others.

Online Registration now available: www.stpaulcolumbia.org

Sing Praise to God, Our Highest Good

Ps. 105; 1 Chron. 16:9; 1 Pet. 1:3-7

Johann J. Schütz, 1675
Transl. Madeleine Forell Marshall, 1993

1 Sing praise to God, our high-est good, pro - found re - spect ex -
2 Cre - a - tion thanks you, Ho - ly One: you made us and re -
3 What God has made, God will pre-serve, with righ-teous-ness un -
4 I cry to God, in pain and grief, "Please, God of mer - cy,

press - ing. God gives us health, life, live - li - hood, with ev - ery
new us. De - light-ed at what you have done, you show your
fail - ing. Re - gard-less what we may de - serve, we see this
hear me!" My cer-tain help pro - vides re - lief, faith, hope, and

need - ed bless - ing. To God, who won-drous works per-forms, cre -
great - ness through us. So may all liv - ing things pro-claim the
good pre - vail - ing. To God who gov - erns ev - er-more with
love to cheer me. So let me sing, joy - ful and free: ah,

a - ting life and calm-ing storms, to God give praise and glo - ry!
won-ders of their Mak-er's name: to God give praise and glo - ry!
jus - tice serv - ing rich and poor, to God give praise and glo - ry!
thank-ful Chris-tians, sing with me: to God give praise and glo - ry!

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- 5 For-ev-er with us, God is here,
Nor ev-er will de-sert us.
So dear-ly loved, we shall not fear:
there's noth-ing that can hurt us.
We place our trust in God's com-mand,
who leads us with a moth-er's hand:
to God give praise and glo-ry!
- 6 Dear Chris-tian friends, we bear the name
of Christ, our sure sal-va-tion.
Let us re-call Christ Je-sus came,
most ho-ly in-car-na-tion,
Came from the one God we a-dore,
came with new life for-ev-er-more:
to God give praise and glo-ry!

Johann Jakob Schütz practiced both civil and canon law in Frankfurt, Germany, throughout his life. He had an interest in the company that purchased land in Germantown, Pennsylvania, from William Penn in 1683. Schütz published two collections of hymns.

Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART 8.7.8.7.8.8.7.
Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesang, 1566
Harm. Maurice F. Bell, 1906

For the Music of Creation

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1 For the mu - sic of cre - a - tion, for the song your Spir - it sings,
2 Psalms and sym - pho - nies ex - alt you, drum and trum - pet, string and reed,
3 All the voic - es of the a - ges in tran - scen - dent cho - rus meet,

for your sound's di - vine ex - pres - sion, burst of joy in liv - ing things:
sim - ple mel - o - dies ac - claim you, tunes that rise from deep - est need,
wor - ship lift - ing up the sens - es, hands that praise, and danc - ing feet,

God, our God, the world's com - pos - er, hear us, ech - oes of your voice,
hymns of long - ing and be - long - ing, car - ols from a cheer - ful throat,
o - ver dis - cord and di - vi - sion mu - sic speaks your joy and peace,

mu - sic is your art, your glo - ry, let the hu - man heart re - joice!
lilt of lul - la - by and love song catch - ing heav - en in a note.
har - mo - ny of earth and heav - en, song of God that can - not cease!

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When in Our Music God Is Glorified

2 Chron. 5:11-14

Fred Pratt Green, 1972

1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -
 3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and
 4 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! Let all re -

ra - tion leaves no room for pride, It is as though the whole cre -
 men - sion in the world of sound, As wor - ship moved us to a
 love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, Borne wit - ness to the truth in
 joyce who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to

a - tion cried: Al - le - lu - ia!
 more pro - found: Al - le - lu - ia!
 ev - ery tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!
 sing al - ways: Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is in G major and 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment is in G major and 4/4 time. The score is divided into four systems. The first system contains the first four lines of the lyrics. The second system contains the next four lines. The third system contains the next four lines. The fourth system contains the final four lines. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and a more active treble line with chords and moving lines.

Fred Pratt Green wrote this text at the request of British editor and composer John Wilson, who asked for a "festival" hymn to be set with Engelberg. Charles Villiers Stanford originally composed the tune for the text "For All the Saints" in *Hornis*

Tune: ENGELBERG 10.10.104,
 Charles V. Stanford, 1904