



Blessing
of the
BICYCLES

TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND

6:00 – 8:00PM

@ ST. PAUL

Pastor Paul will bless all bicycles, motorcycles, scooters, and wheeled things, praying for safety over those who ride in the summer months.

There will be bike safety instruction for all, by the Amherst Police Bicycle Squad. Gifts for riders from local businesses. Decorate your ride for summer. A Bike Parade led by Amherst Police Bicycle Officers. And build-your-own ice cream sundae to top off the night.

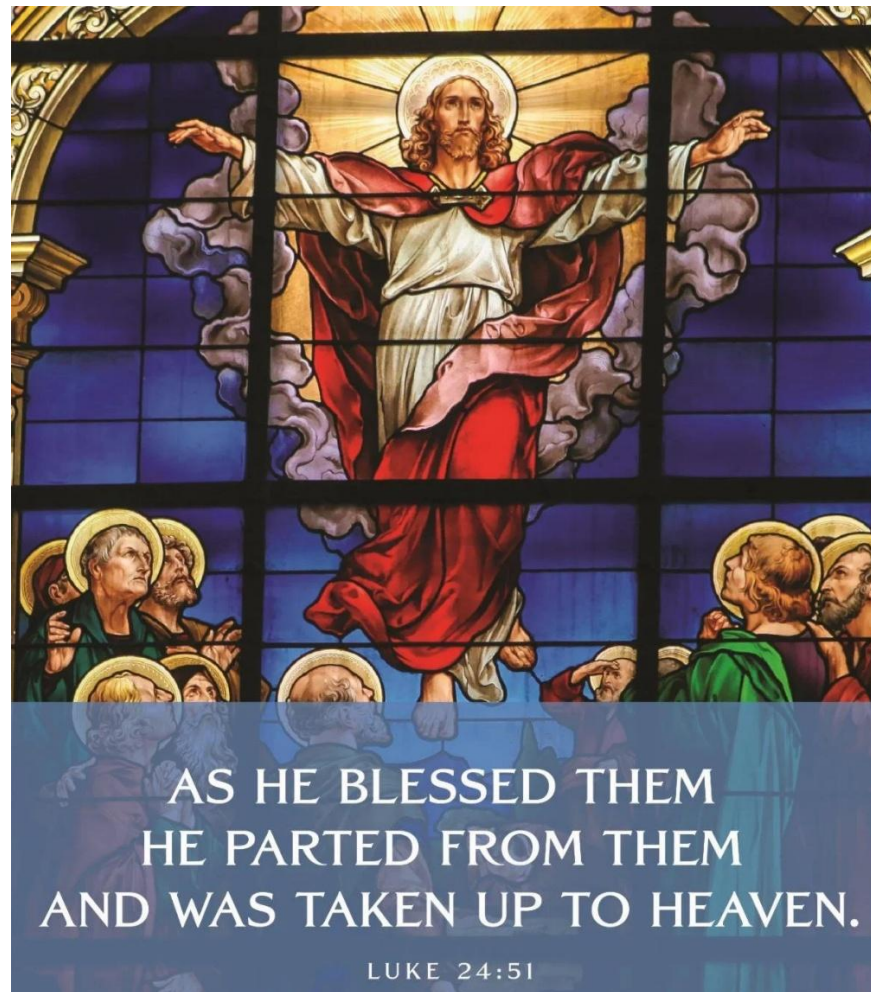
Free. All invited.

St. Paul Fellowship Team Invites You to Join Them



October 20 -22, 2026

The life-size replica of Noah's Arc is an *amazing experience!* Come along with St. Paul members, and invite your friends for this 3-day excursion. The trip includes top-quality motorcoach transportation (video and restroom equipped), 2 night's lodging in a Cincinnati area hotel, all meals, and tickets to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum, and a Riverboat cruise with dinner and entertainment. Cost is \$629 per person. Detailed information is available, so please **pick up a flier on this trip today on the Information Counter in the narthex.**



AS HE BLESSED THEM
HE PARTED FROM THEM
AND WAS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN.

LUKE 24:51

ST. PAUL 
LUTHERAN
CHURCH & PRESCHOOL
SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

Welcome to St. Paul!

We're glad you're here! Whether this is your first visit or you're a St. Paul veteran, we hope you sense our "welcome mat" is out and you'll consider joining us again soon any Sunday at 9:30AM right here. Please fill out a white "Communication Card" found in front of you in the pew rack, and place it in the offering plate later. And about the offering ... don't feel obligated to participate in giving because we – and God – are really glad you are here as our guest!

Ushers are standing by to assist you in locating a seat, directing you to restrooms, coat racks, and to our nursery.

Nursery is available for children ages 3 and under. An usher will be happy to direct you to our Nursery where parents may care for infants, and rambunctious toddlers will find a place to be ... themselves.

Worshippers who wish to receive Holy Communion are encouraged to thoroughly read the announcement in this bulletin explaining what Communion reception is all about.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP we celebrate Christ's Ascension. Jesus' Ascension into heaven was more than just a relocation. Jesus "went up" as a soldier "ascends" through the ranks to become a general, as a prince "mounts" the throne to become king, as a third-grader "goes up" from elementary school to middle school. Jesus is above ALL. He gained His authority by suffering and defeating sin, death, and the devil. He is "above" and has the power to do something about any trouble or disease we face. And He is able to walk with you and guide you throughout your life. Jesus is LORD!

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Almighty God, I confidently believe that Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, has ascended into heaven. I pray that I also may ascend and continually keep my heart and mind fixed on Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Altar Flowers given to the glory of God by Christa Josupeit in memory of her husband, Kuno

Blood Donation Help save lives—sign up today to donate blood! Every donation makes a difference for patients in need. Quick, easy, and safe—your generosity matters. Join our community of heroes and make an impact. We are currently gauging interest; once enough members sign up, we will schedule a date for the blood drive. (Invite family and friends to join you) Sign-up form is in the Narthex/Lobby

This Week For The Lord	Looking Ahead One Week
5/17 Holy Communion / Kids Church 9:30 AM G.I.F.T Bible Study 10:45 AM	5/24 Pentecost Sunday Worship / Kids Church 9:30 AM
5/19 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Board of Directors 2 PM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Community Care Non-Profit 6:30 PM	5/25 Church Office Closed-Memorial Day
5/20 Preschool Picnic 11 Preschool Graduation M-W-F 6 PM	5/26 Seasoned Saints 10 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM

Serving in God's House:

Pastor	Rev. Paul Werner
Elder	John Brabander
Organist	Owen Reyda
Reader	Christine Krupp
Greeters	Jeff & Sandy Binggeli
Altar Guild	Karie Coffman
Sound	Mike Warnock, Tina Muska
Head Usher	Ron Fisher
Ushers	Dan Streza, Chuck Draga, Bob Kemmerle

St. Paul Lutheran Church & Preschool

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PLUG IN TO A BIBLE STUDY GROUP

GROW IN FAITH TOGETHER – Join us today or any Sunday, 10:45 AM to 11:45AM • Bible Study • Discussion • Fellowship Join us upstairs after the worship service.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study @ 10AM. Join us this Tuesday. You'll meet some friends, find encouragement, enjoy home-baked cookies, and grow in faith. We wonder whether the people long ago will keep God central in their lives as they go through the wilderness. That's the same thing we all wonder about our lives today. We meet in the upper level. You don't have to be a Bible scholar. Everyone is welcome!

Women's Bible Study Group – Tuesday @ 6:30 PM in St. Paul's parsonage, next door. You'll make wonderful friends, grow in faith, and engage in caring lively discussion about living everyday as a Christian and woman.



"The Lord is Near to all who Call on HIM." Psalm 148:18

Prayer Requests this Week

Pray for **Emma Jenkins** as she recently received word that she has cancer, and she is in rehab to regain strength; **Marylou Gramer** who is in rehab to heal after fracturing a hip and suffering a stroke; **Sharon Hambly** who is in the hospital; **Jack and Marilyn Green** as Jack is in rehab with complications following a week in the hospital; **Brenda Hamilton** as she recovers at home from surgery and heart complications; pray for **Milo Hambleton**, a 4 yr. old boy with bone marrow cancer; as he goes through chemotherapy prior to marrow transplant surgery; pray for **Erin Rivet and her baby**, niece of Kirsten Hill, who is assigned to bed rest for the remaining 3 months of her pregnancy; Pray for **Rita Thomas**, friend of Roger & Wanda Aschenbach, as she was readmitted to the hospital due to complications with leukemia.

Pray for **Edna Klenz** as she goes thru radiation therapy for a tumor; pray for **Sheryl Gregg** as she goes through radiation and chemotherapy for her cancer, and she begins the transition to permanently live with her daughter in Findley, OH; **Barb Deja** who is being treated for cancer; **Mike McHugh** as he continues a long battle with leukemia; **Brian Holmes** as his leukemia has returned; **Jeff Rahrig** who is in treatment for cancer; **Karen**, niece of Diane Lamoreaux, and **Donna Napolitano**, sister of Diane Lamoreaux who are both going through cancer treatments; **Jerry Camera**, a

relative of Sally Krause, with bladder cancer; **Jeanne Camera**, a niece of Sally Krause, who has cancer; **Nancy Dau**, in treatment for cancer; **Zack**, a friend of Cyndi Kemery, who has cancer; **Tracy**, who has cancer and is receiving radiation; **Jim Williams** who has cancer; **Lorie**, Cyndi Kemery's cousin, who has non-Hodgkins Lymphoma; **Paxton Roby** with cancer.

Pray for those who have on-going chronic illnesses or are home-bound: **Janice Ingersol, Edna Klenz, Don Lamoreaux, Ruth Murdy, Jack & Marilyn Green, Phyllis Darakis, John Harden, Joanie Fahrney, Ron Klein, John Schick.**

Pray for **the family Oertel** who will gather for the graveside ceremony of former St. Paul member, Marilyn Oertel, on Friday this week.

Pray for **Tammy Mull and Jim Lovegrove** who will be united in marriage next Saturday, May 23rd.

Pray for those celebrating birthdays: **Bob Steindl, Lil Hamilton, Marilyn Hubbard, Vicki Pijor, Phyllis Darakis, Geri Deidrick.**



Help Us Grow Our Presence in the Community We invite you to use the **QR code below** to go directly to our **Google Reviews** page. Leaving a review—short or long—helps others learn about St. Paul Lutheran Church and strengthens our outreach to the community. Your feedback also helps us continue improving how we welcome and serve others in Christ's name.

Download the New St. Paul Lutheran Church App! Stay connected with your church family throughout the week by downloading our new church app. It's a simple way to keep everything you need in one place—worship videos, announcements, events, reminders, and opportunities to serve.

The app helps you:

- **Watch worship services** anytime, anywhere
- **Receive timely updates and reminders**
- **Sign up for events and volunteer opportunities** with one tap
- **Give securely online**
- **Stay connected** even when you're away



Scan the QR code below to download the app and make St. Paul part of your daily rhythm of faith and community.

