

WORSHIP AT 9 AM

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

SONG OF PREPARATION Oldet Ibo, Accompanist

INTROIT O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Choir Dave Schneck, Clearwater Campus Minister WELCOME

GREETING Oh How He Loves You and Me

*HYMNS A Charge to Keep I Have No. 413 Whose Glory Fills the Skies No. 173

PROCLAMATION Felix Koutsourais, Lay Leader

MESSAGE Covenant

Dr. Don Pratt

Jeremiah 31:31-34

*HYMN Love Divine All Loves Excelling No. 384

INVITATION Pastor Pam Dubov & Felix Koutsourais

COVENANT PRAYER Back Page of Bulletin **OFFERING** O Love How Deep Choir

*DOXOLOGY Praise God From Whom... No. 95

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HOLY COMMUNION

No. 363 *HYMN And Can It Be

*BENEDICTION **POSTLUDE**

11 AM SET LIST

House of the Lord, Who You Say I Am Worthy of it All, Come as You Are

9 AM Worship Leader - Dr. Robert Williams 11 AM Worship Leader - Alison Van Duyne 11 AM Liturgists - Pastor Pam Dubov, Felix Koutsourais & Dave Schneck

The Wiggle Room for nursing mothers and others with children is on the right side of the lobby.

VISITING US TODAY?

Stop by the Connection Center at the back of the worship center! You can also visit our website: stpaulumc.org, download our app, or join our mailing list to keep up to date on St. Paul UMC.

FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD

Let us know you're worshipping with us and share prayer requests or other needs: stpaulumc.org/connect-card

HOW TO GIVE ONLINE

Visit our website stpaulumc.org and click the "Give" link at the top of the page. You can also click on Give in our free St. Paul app (search St. Paul UMC in your app store).

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church returns on Jan. 26! Families are invited to join us on fourth Sundays at 5 PM for dinner and fun activities that teach us about God. You can register now on our website. It's free!

WORSHIP ARTS

Worship Arts for kids returns on Jan. 22! Kids are invited to join us on Wednesdays at 6 PM in room 106. Each week kids worship through hands on activities, lessons, crafts, games and more!

HANDI PIZZA & MAGIC

Handicapable is hosting a pizza party on Friday, Jan. 17 at 6 PM in the worship center. At 7 PM there will also be a magic show from a local ventriloguist.

ADULT RETREAT

We still have space on our retreat in Bradenton, FL on Feb. 24-27. We will join together for three days of worship, prayer and study as we grow in faith and spend time in Christian fellowship. The riverside retreat center also includes outdoor activities like swimming, shuffleboard, tennis, volleyball, basketball, canoes and pedal boats. Cost is \$750 for a single room or \$550 per person for double rooms. This includes transportation, lodging, meals and activities. Visit our website for more info or to register.

YOGA CLASS

People of all ages and experience levels are invited to our free second Tuesday yoga class on Jan. 14 at 5:30 PM in the worship center. Bring your own mat!

END OF YEAR GIVING

If you're giving year-end gifts that you want to be counted as part of your 2024 giving, or to fulfill a 2024 commitment, we need to receive them by this Wednesday, Jan. 8. Checks must be dated 2024 to count toward 2024 giving, and if you give a year-end cash gift in January, please be sure to mark the envelope for 2024. Any gifts received after this deadline will be counted toward 2025 giving.

CONNECT

FACEBOOK GROUPS

General: StPaulUMC
Children: StPaulParentsLounge
Students: SPUMCParents

KIDS & STUDENTS

See below for social media links and visit our website for **kids** and **students**. Kids are invited to join us in the Treehouse during worship. Worship Arts on Weds. and Messy Church on 4th Sundays. Students worship, play games and more on Sundays at 6 PM.

ADULTS

Visit our website to learn about Adult Studies and Adult Ministries.

SUNDAY STUDIES

10 AM: Homeward Bound - Rm 202 10:15 AM: Friendship - Rm 201 10:30 AM: Inspirations - Rm 212

TUESDAY STUDIES

10:30 AM Lightseekers - Rm 201

HANDICAPABLE WORSHIP

6:30 PM on Wednesdays Worship Center and On YouTube @stpaulhandi

YOGA CLASS

SECOND TUESDAYS

Jan. 14 - 5:30PM - Worship Center

Need help connecting?

Email church@stpaulumc.org Fill out Connect Card www.stpaulumc.org

Need to contact Dr. Don? don.p@stpaulumc.org



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COVENANT PRAYER

You may kneel or bow if you're able as we participate in the Responsive Covenant Prayer.

ALL: O righteous God, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, see me as I fall down before you. Forgive my unfaithfulness in not having done your will, for you have promised mercy to me if I turn to you with my whole heart.

PASTOR: God requires that you shall put away all your idols.

PEOPLE: I here from the bottom of my heart renounce them all, covenanting with you that no known sin shall be allowed in my life. Against your will, I have turned my love toward the world. In your power I will watch all temptations that will lead me away from you. For my own righteousness is riddled with sin, unable to stand before you.

PASTOR: Through Christ, God has offered to be your God again if you would let him.

PEOPLE: Before all heaven and earth, I here acknowledge you as my Lord and God. I take you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for my portion, and vow to give up myself, body and soul, as your servant, to serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of my life.

PASTOR: God has given us the Lord Jesus Christ as our way and means of coming to God.

PEOPLE: Jesus, I do here on bended knees accept Christ as the new and living Way, and sincerely join myself in a covenant with him. O blessed Jesus, I come to you, hungry, sinful, miserable, blind, and naked, unworthy even to wash the feet of your servants. I do here, with all my power, accept you as my Lord and Head. I renounce my own worthiness, and vow that you are the Lord,

my righteousness. I renounce my own wisdom, and take you for my only guide. I renounce my own will, and take your will as my law.

SPEAKER: Christ has told you that you must suffer with him.

PEOPLE: I do here covenant with you, O Christ, to take my lot with you as it may fall. Through your grace I promise that neither life nor death shall part me from you.

SPEAKER: God has given holy laws as the rule of your life.

PEOPLE: I do here willingly put my neck under your yoke, to carry your burden. All your laws are holy, just, and good. I therefore take them as the rule for my words, thoughts, and actions, promising that I will strive to order my whole life according to your direction, and not allow myself to neglect anything I know to be my duty.

SPEAKER: The almighty God searches and knows your heart.

PEOPLE: O God, you know that I make this covenant with you today without guile or reservation. If any falsehood should be in it, guide me and help me to set it aright. And now, glory be to you, O God the Father, whom I from this day forward shall look upon as my God and Father. Glory be to you, O God the Son, who have loved me and washed me from my sins in your own blood, and now is my Savior and Redeemer. Glory be to you, O God the Holy Spirit, who by your almighty power have turned my heart from sin to God. O mighty God. the Lord Omnipotent, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you have now become my Covenant Friend. And I, through your infinite grace, have become your covenant servant. So be it. And let the covenant I have made on earth be ratified in heaven. Amen.