

Welcome! Whether you are worshipping with us in-person or virtually, we pray that you and your family are safe and healthy.

Serving Today

Scripture Reader: Judy Leister

Greeter: Gail Plank

Acolyte: Will Falstich

Last Sunday

In-person Attendance: 114
Virtual worship viewings: 81 (as of 9/16)
Giving: \$4457

BIRTHDAYS ~ this week

September 19: Linda Czeiner, Beverly Beshore-Strohm
September 21: Ethan Armstrong
September 22: Brodie Kulakowsky Kyle Forsythe
September 23: Marian Kirlin, Justin Benner, Dee Leech
September 24: Barbara Thompson, Jayce Pauley, Sue Wunderlich
September 25: Ben Spotts, Christian Bolles

ANNIVERSARIES ~ this week

September 19: Ken & Ruth Biles, Brent & Priscilla Knerr,
Ken & Debbie Davis
September 20: Joseph & Lisa Paretto, Jerry & Marijana Lake
September 22: Brian & Connie Riker
September 23: Rod & Brenda Norman
September 24: Richard & Gail Plank

Next Sunday: *Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*
Message: *Whoever Is Not Against Us*
Texts: *Psalms 124, James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50**
** next Sunday's sermon text*

For the Safety of All, we request those who are not fully vaccinated or are at risk to wear a mask when inside our facility.



St. Paul's UCC, Amityville

1979 Weavertown Road, Douglassville, PA 19518

September 19, 2021

Ministers: The People of St. Paul's UCC
The Rev. Dr. Steven Simpson, Pastor
Martha Sitler, Minister of Music
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St. Paul's United Church of Christ Mission Statement

In its life and mission, St. Paul's UCC seeks to worship the triune God; proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ; practice loving service toward the needy; embody God's reign of peace and justice; establish a Christian community of faith; and be a faithful member of the church universal.



St. Paul's United Church of Christ

Amityville, Pennsylvania

September 19, 2021

9:30 A.M.

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

* = Those who are able may stand

Prelude *Scherzino* -Beethoven
With Faith Renewed -Thomas

* Processional Hymn *Ye Servants of God* Hymnal #38

* Greeting The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Servant of All* -Ryan

**If you want to be great in God's Kingdom,
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Children's Message and dismissal to Sunday School

* The Solemn Declaration (from Mark 9:35) sung response: **Amen!**

* Call to Worship — based on Psalm 1:1-3, 6

Blessed is the one
**who does not follow the advice of the wicked
or take the path that they follow,
or sit in the seat of people who make fun of others.**
His delight is in the law of the Lord,
and he meditates on God's law day and night.
He is like a tree planted by streams of water,
**which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither.
Whatever he does prospers.**
The Lord watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

* Call to Confession and Silent Prayer

* Prayer of Confession (in unison) —based on James 3:18

**God of wisdom,
forgive our foolishness.
We desire what we do not need
and corrupt our relationships with envy.
You urge us to gentleness, but we stir up conflict.
Give us your grace,
that we may harvest righteousness and peace,
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Teacher, we pray.
Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon —based on Proverbs 31:30

Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but the people
who fear the Lord are to be praised. Hear the good news!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and we can live in peace.
Thanks be to God!

* Affirmation *The Apostle's Creed* (inside hymnal cover)

Prayer of the Day

Anthem *Teach Me, Lord, to Be a Servant* -Braman

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings *James 3:13-4:4, Mark 9:30-37*

Sermon *A Servant for All*

* Responsive Hymn *The Servant Song* Hymnal #424

Prayers of the Prayers of the People response: *God of mercy, Hear our prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Invitation to the Offering

* Doxology Hymnal #815

* Prayer of Dedication —based on Psalm 1:3

* Recessional Hymn *We Are Called to Be God's People* Hymnal #415

* Benediction

* Threefold Amen

Postlude *A Joyous Alleluia* -Birchwood