



January 16, 2022

No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
On life's journey,
You are welcome here.

Children are asked to go to Sunday School before worship begins.
Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.
Assisted listening devices and Bluetooth hearing aid guides are in the Narthex.
Please silence cell phones. Masks are required.

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATOIN

"[Black peoples'] great stumbling block in the stride toward freedom is not the White Citizen's Council-er or the KKK, but the white moderate who is more devoted to "order" than to justice." Martin Luther King Jr.

PRELUDE *Chant de paix* Op. 40 (Song of Peace) Jean Langlais
Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

INTROIT *This Is My Song* Jean Sibelius
Breanna Coe, mezzo-soprano

CHIMES

WELCOME Jeff Carlson

* WELCOMING EACH OTHER

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 100)

One: Hallelujah! Praise God in this sanctuary!

All: *Praise God in the highest heavens!

One: Praise God, who does great deeds!

All: Praise God with trumpet sound!

One: Praise God with lute and harp,
With tambourine and dance!

All: Praise God with strings and pipes!

** Please stand if you are able to do so.*

One: Praise God with clanging cymbals,
With loud, clashing symbols!

All: ***Let everything that breathes praise God!
Hallelujah!**

* HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Led by Nathan Streeter

1. Come, thou Fount of ev - ery bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2. O to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!

Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.
Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter Bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by_ flam - ing tongues a - bove;
Prone to_ wan - der, Lord, I feel_ it, Prone to_ leave the God I love;

Praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, Mount of thy re - deem - ing love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts a - bove.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jeff Carlson

Our Holy Father,

We confess the weakness and sinfulness of our lives.

We have often turned away from thee to seek our own desires.

And often when we have done no evil, we have undertaken nothing of good,
and so have been guilty of uselessness and neglect.

From this sin of idleness and indifference set us free.

Lead us into fruitful effort, and deliver us from profitless lives.

We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

(a prayer written by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

RESPONSE

There Is a Balm in Gilead
St. Arbucks Quartet

Black Spiritual

SCRIPTURE

Philip Smedley

Acts 6:8-15; 7:1 and 7: 51-60

Stephen, brimming with God's grace and energy, was doing wonderful things among the people, unmistakable signs that God was among them. But then some men from the meeting place whose membership was made up of freed slaves, Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and some others from Cilicia and Asia, went up against him trying to argue him down. But they were no match for his wisdom and spirit when he spoke.

So in secret they bribed men to lie: "We heard him cursing Moses and God."

That stirred up the people, the religious leaders, and religion scholars. They grabbed Stephen and took him before the High Council. They put forward their bribed witnesses to testify: “This man talks nonstop against this Holy Place and God’s Law. We even heard him say that Jesus of Nazareth would tear this place down and throw out all the customs Moses gave us.”

As all those who sat on the High Council looked at Stephen, they found they couldn’t take their eyes off him—his face was like the face of an angel!

Then the Chief Priest said, “What do you have to say for yourself?”

[In the remainder of chapter 6, Stephen named many of the ways that God’s people opposed God’s will, including selling Joseph into Egyptian slavery, opposing Moses, and worshiping the golden calf at Sinai. Then he concluded, saying:]

“And you continue, so bullheaded! Calluses on your hearts, flaps on your ears! Deliberately ignoring the Holy Spirit, you’re just like your ancestors. Was there ever a prophet who didn’t get the same treatment? Your ancestors killed anyone who dared talk about the coming of the Just One. And you’ve kept up the family tradition—traitors and murderers, all of you. You had God’s Law handed to you by angels—gift-wrapped!—and you squandered it!”

At that point they went wild, a rioting mob of catcalls and whistles and invective. But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, hardly noticed—he only had eyes for God, whom he saw in all his glory with Jesus standing at his side. He said, “Oh! I see heaven wide open and the Son of Man standing at God’s side!”

Yelling and hissing, the mob drowned him out. Now in full stampede, they dragged him out of town and pelted him with rocks. The ringleaders took off their coats and asked a young man named Saul to watch them.

As the rocks rained down, Stephen prayed, “Master Jesus, take my life.” Then he knelt down, praying loud enough for everyone to hear, “Master, don’t blame them for this sin”—his last words. Then he died, while Saul gave silent assent to his execution.

* STATEMENT OF FAITH

**We believe in God who has created and is creating,
who has come to us in Jesus Christ to reconcile and make us new,
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.**

**We trust God. God calls us to be the Church,
to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to care for creation,
to seek justice and to resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

(adapted from the United Church of Canada)

RESPONSE	<i>Swing Low, Sweet Chariot</i> Thomas Clancy, French horn; and Kevin Dzierzawski, piano	Black Spiritual arr. Daniel Kelly
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SERMON	"Coat Holders"	Matt Fitzgerald
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RESPONSE	<i>Fanfare</i> Kevin Dzierzawski, organ	Noel Rawsthorne
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OFFERTORY	<i>Gebet (Prayer)</i> (Sung in German) Kurt R. Hansen, tenor Kevin Dzierzawski, piano	Hugo Wolf
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Herr, schicke, was du willst,
Ein Liebes oder Leides!
Ich bin vergnügt, dass beides
Aus deinen Händen quillt.

Wollest mit Freuden
Und wollest mit Leiden
Mich nicht überschütten!

Doch in der Mitten
Liegt holdes Bescheiden.

*Lord, send what you will,
Whether love or sorrow!
I am content that either
Comes from your hand.*

*Do as you wish with joy
And do as you will with sorrow
But do not lavish extremes on me!
Rather a balance of both
is my greatest hope.*

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Or through Zelle to giving@spucc.org.*



* FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY

Led by Nancy Pifer

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here be - low;

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost; Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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 forever.
 Amen.**

* HYMN

Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers

Led by Kris Hansen



1. Thank our God for_ sis - ters, broth - ers, one by_ grace, in_ har - mo - ny,
 2. Praise to_ God for_ con - gre - ga - tions, keep - ing faith with Christ as guide;
 3. Ho - ly_ is your name for - ev - er! Heal di - vi - sions that re - main;



Join - ing heart to_ heart with oth - ers, mak - ing strong com - mu - ni - ty.
 Man - y_ tongues of_ man - y na - tions, song and ser - vice u - ni - fied.
 Bless the_ church's new en - deav - ors; make our_ wit - ness one a - gain.



With the_ cross of Christ our_ stan - dard, let us_ sing as with one_ voice,
 Sweet the psalm and sweet the_ car - ol, when our song is raised as_ one.
 One in_ Christ and in Christ's gos - pel, make us_ one we now im - plore.



Glo - ry, glo - ry, yours the prom - ise: we who are the church re - jice.
 Glo - ry, glo - ry, yours the pow - er, as in heaven your will be done.
 Glo - ry, glo - ry, yours the glo - ry, then and now and ev - er - more.

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Led by Lee Lichamer

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o, Glo - - - - -

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POSTLUDE

Interpretations on "Balm in Gilead"

arr. Brendan Henry

St. Arbucks Quartet

If you would like someone to pray with you today, Stephen Ministers are present after the Postlude at the right front of the Sanctuary.

Following Worship, all are invited for a Social Hour time of fellowship in the gym. At this time, we will not be serving coffee so everyone remains masked while indoors.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Chant de paix Op. 40 (Song of Peace) was composed by Jean Langlais (1907-1991). He referred to himself as “Breton (born in Brittany) of Catholic Faith” because of his devotion to composing liturgical music for the church. He became blind at age 2 from glaucoma. He was also renowned as an organist and improvisateur. As a performer, he traveled the world and was one of three organists chosen to dedicate our Phoenix organ in 1959. He is in a class of great French organists that include Olivier Messiaen, Marcel Dupré and Maurice Duruflé.

The text for ***This Is My Song*** was composed in 1934 by Lloyd Stone as a prayer for peace between the two World Wars. The beautiful tune is from the well-known tone poem *Finlandia* by Jean Sibelius (1865-1957).

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing, to the tune NETTLETON, is from the rich American tradition of the Sacred Harp hymnals, specifically, *Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music*. The text was written by Robert Robinson (1735-1790), who began his professional life as an apprentice to a hairdresser before committing himself to a religious life.

There Is a Balm in Gilead is a Black spiritual. In the Hebrew Bible, Gilead was the name of the mountainous region east of the Jordan River. This region was known for having skillful physicians and an ointment made from the gum of a tree particular to that area. Many believed that this balm had miraculous powers to heal the body. In the book of Jeremiah, God tells the people of Israel that though many believe in the mysterious healing power of this balm, they can't trust in those powers for spiritual healing or as a relief of their oppression.

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot is one of the best-known African American spirituals in Christian history. Its source is the oral tradition of African Americans, but the concerts of the Fisk Jubilee Singers and the Hampton Singers brought "Swing Low" to the attention of white audiences. J. B. T. Marsh includes an early version of text and tune in his *The Story of the Jubilee Singers; With Their Songs* (1876 edition).

Fanfare was composed by Noel Rawsthorne (1929-2019). Rawsthorne was a well-known British concert organist and composer of music for choirs and also organ. He began his lifelong commitment to liturgical music at age 8 when he became a chorister in the choir of the Liverpool Cathedral. He went on to become organist of the cathedral in 1955. Among his teachers was Marcel Dupré.

Gebet (Prayer) is by German poet Eduard Friedrich Mörike (1804-1875) and the music composed in 1888 by Hugo Wolf (1860-1903). Wolf was one of the greatest Romantic composers of *Lieder* (Songs). He organized his volumes by poets and also by translations from other languages. He was deeply devoted to the music of Richard Wagner (1813-1883). Tragically, his musical genius was “tempered” throughout his brief life by severe mental illness. His last six years were spent in and out of asylums and included one attempt at suicide.

The original text for ***Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers*** was written in 1948 by Roger K. Powell (1914 - 2003) as a rallying song for The National Council of Churches meeting in 1952. The text was updated for our New Century Hymnal. PLEADING SAVIOR was first published in 1830 and is attributed to Joshua Levitt (1794-1873). Levitt was a Yale graduate and became a Congregational minister. He aided a slave to escape the South and raised funds for the defense of the Armistad captives.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Clergy: Matt Fitzgerald, Jeff Carlson

Music Director: Kurt Hansen

Organist: Kevin Dzierzawski

St. Arbucks Quartet: Brendan Henry, piano; Alex Austin, bass; Matt Plaskota, drums; Kris Hansen, trumpet & vocals

Scripture Reader: Philip Smedley

Lay Liturgical Administrator: Kevin O'Brien

Head Usher: Beatrice Jaji

Ushers: Mary Brown

Head Greeter: Greg Mooney

Gatekeeper: Dodd Brown

Camera Operators: Brian Hafner, Bob Ball

Custodian: Ramiro Gonzalez

A gift has been made to the Sam Hill Music Fund by Juanita and Jeff Barlow in honor of the 50th anniversary of George Barlow's death.

BORN THIS WEEK IN JANUARY

We give thanks for your life at St. Pauls. A perfect way to celebrate is by giving one dollar for each year of your life to our Birthday Fund, which supports A Just Harvest.

Jan 16 Alan Cramb, Kristin Lane Mack

Jan 17 Mark Weglarz, Allie Roehm

Jan 18 Annie Holland, Brian Nach, Cara Hotz, Jacob Peterson, Boris Tong

Jan 20 Tom Kompare, Judson Harper

Jan 21 Ann Carstensen, Joanne Tong, Pamela Smith, Abby Simonton, Summer Abraham

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD IN NEW NOVELS

This winter is providing plenty of time to dive into a good book. Join Pastor Matt and others to look for God in contemporary fiction. Our first novel is Deacon King Kong by James McBride, author of *The Good Lord Bird*, and *The Color of Water*. We will meet to discuss this excellent novel about church on Monday, February 7th at 7:00pm. Register at: spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1137474

BONHOEFFER IN A YEAR

More than thirty Saint Pauls members have registered to read the works of Dietrich Bonhoeffer in a Year. Join us as we read the works of this anti-Nazi martyr and brilliant theologian. We will meet monthly throughout 2022. Register at: spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1136986

POLAR PEACE MARCH POSTPONED TO PALM SUNDAY

Due to COVID concerns, along with hope for greater impact on our community, this year's Polar Peace March will be on April 10, Palm Sunday. We'll wave our palms for peace around our neighborhood and show the city how all of our streets are connected. You can help UCAN achieve its mission of violence prevention and treatment for traumatized youth in our communities and supporting their peace-making work by registering and donating at: polarpeacemarch.org.

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

By the time you read this our refugee family, the Khaksars, should be safely settled into their new apartment. The Khaksars are a family of seven, including five children (ages 6-14). We ask for your prayers to help them as they settle into a new land and that they find kindness and acceptance from all they meet. For more information, contact Mark Pellegrino: jjmarkp@yahoo.com.

CREATION CORNER - provided by Green Team

Three Simple Ways to Recycle Your Old Printer Cartridges:

1. Drop them off at your local office supply store. Many office supply retailers will gladly take back your used or spent cartridges.
2. Find a local recycling facility.
3. Consider refilling your original brand ink cartridges.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT - provided by SPARC

Community Renewal Society responds to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s call to put our faith in action by hosting an annual assembly on the holiday commemorating his life and work. Register [here](#) to hear Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III of Trinity UCC and spoken word artist Kwyn Townsend Riley speak to King's legacy and the idea of a beloved community rooted in the ethics of love and justice.

Learn about the impact on Chicago today of Dr. King's 1966 campaign for affordable housing at [this](#) United Way program.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JAN 19 - BIBLE STUDY: THE GOSPEL OF LUKE - 12 p.m., Zoom

We're starting a new study for a new year. Luke introduces us to Jesus, who brings justice and truth to the world. This Gospel contains some of the most cherished stories, such as the Prodigal Son, Zacchaeus and the Good Samaritan. Meets once a week for about a half hour. All are welcome! RSVP to Pastor Jeff, jcarlson@spucc.org.

JAN 17 - MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR, FAITH IN ACTION ASSEMBLY - 10 a.m. or 7 p.m., On-line

Community Renewal Society responds to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s call to put our faith in action by hosting an annual assembly on the holiday commemorating his life and work. This year's assembly will be held virtually and will be streamed at 10 a.m. CT and again at 7 p.m. CT. You can find out more and register here:

<https://tinyurl.com/46s8teke>

JAN 30 - YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIP ORIENTATION - After Worship, Oscar Mayer Room

We are planning a youth mission trip with the Appalachia Service Project June 18-25 for youth going into ninth grade and up. ASP teams do home repair, making homes warmer, safer and dryer. It's a great experience and St. Pauls youth and adults have served with ASP for many years. You'll find out more about it at this orientation session for youth and parents. If a youth in your family is interested, please contact Pastor Jeff, jcarlson@spucc.org.

FEB 4 - VIRTUAL SUPER BOWL SCAVENGER HUNT - 7-8:30 p.m., Zoom
Fabulous prizes, fun and fellowship! Three reasons to join the St. Pauls Social Super Bowl Scavenger hunt, hosted by CPS (Carrie, Peg and Sally). RSVP to crbruggs@gmail.com and Zoom details will be sent in response.

OPPORTUNITIES

ALTAR FLOWERS – Providing flowers for the altar is an excellent way to celebrate a special event in your life: an anniversary, a birthday, a holiday, or just because you like flowers! Sign up at spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1078968

CHURCH CENTER – spucc.churchcenter.com is our new portal for the Saint Pauls community. See our calendar, register for events, update your contact information, join and view our photo directory, manage your online donations, see your giving history, and more!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM (CEP) – We are seeking **CEP Laundry volunteers on Saturday mornings**. One volunteer is needed each week to greet street-based guests and launder their clothes on site at St. Pauls from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you have any interest in **cooking in-person** meals for homeless neighbors in the coming months, please contact Jennifer Kew at CEPsupper@gmail.com.

CONNECTORS reach out providing networking and support for members and friends of St. Pauls. Membership is open to all who have the time and the inclination to help. Contact Marcia Volk at marcia@volkonline.com.

EMAIL SIGN-UP – Are you new to St. Pauls and want to get more connected? You can go to spucc.org to fill out our virtual fellowship card to begin receiving our weekly email and special congregational emails, introduce yourself and request more information about our programs!

EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM & CARDS – The Emergency Contact Form developed by the Connectors has been updated. You may follow this link for additional information and to consider whether this form could be useful for you: spucc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/178271.

FAITH & PUBLIC ISSUES – Help us connect our faith to critical public issues. Do you wish you knew more from a faith perspective about current issues that are important to our public life? Racism, climate change, immigration, to name a few? FPI programs provide opportunities to ask questions, help us understand issues in depth, and discuss possible action. The FPI Task Force plans these programs and we could use your ideas. Contact Toby Rogers at toby@rogers-home.com for information about meetings.

GREEN TEAM – Help us as a congregation live out what we say in our Statement of Faith: “God calls us to care for creation.” The Green Team welcomes your input, participation and ideas. Joe Womack and Jan Fraccaro are co-chairs. If interested or to offer suggestions, email Jan at jan.fraccaro@gmail.com.

LITTLE LIGHTS is a St. Pauls early childhood program with classes for 2, 3, and 4-year-olds. We are now accepting applications for 2022. Check out www.littlelightslp.org. Email Little Lights Director Erin Fitzgerald at littlelights@spucc.org.

OUTREACH & BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE – Do you have a passion for reaching out to others? The St. Pauls O&B Committee would love you to join us in keeping our church engaged in community outreach. For more information, contact Jennifer Kew, jenniferLKew@gmail.com, or Pastor Jeff, jcarlson@spucc.org.

SAINT PAULS SOCIAL – Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Jen Luerssen at jenuerssen@yahoo.com. Subscribe to the distribution list at eepurl.com/gQ4Eg1, or look out for future events announced in the bulletin calendar.

SAINT PAULS TOGETHER – Our Facebook Group, “Saint Pauls Together,” is for St. Pauls Members and Friends to connect and share uplifting thoughts and stories. Check out our Facebook page to request an invitation if you’re a member or friend!

SARAH’S SIBS are back and gather every Wednesday morning to make and distribute 40 bag lunches to our homeless neighbors. You are most welcome to come to the church kitchen at 9:30 a.m. and lend a hand.

SCRIPTURE READER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the 10 a.m. in-person worship service each week to read the scripture passage of the day. Learn more and sign up here:

spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1079008

SPARC (St. Pauls Anti-Racism Cluster) invites you to join the journey toward racial justice through educational opportunities, resources, and actions as we seek to live our faith in an age of injustice. For more information contact Cindy Ball at cindyzinn11@gmail.com.

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. PAULS – If you're in need of support through a tough time and would like to be matched with someone who would support you with companionship and prayer, or you're feeling called to offer support, speak to Pastor Jeff Carlson (jcarlson@spucc.org), Marti Pechnyo (mpechnyo@gmail.com), or Barb Kaiser (bkaiser2213@gmail.com).

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Please register your children for Sunday School. This is a one-time registration for the year so we can prepare the correct staffing and activities, spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/985445.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY – Meeting every Wednesday at noon via Zoom. Newcomers are always welcome. Increase your faith and your knowledge of the Bible. RSVP: Pastor Jeff at jcarlson@spucc.org to get the Zoom link.

YOUNG ADULTS – A group for fun and fellowship for folks in their twenties and thirties. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! Any ideas for future events? Email them at youngadults@spucc.org.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week's bulletin or Friday email to chiggins@spucc.org no later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday.

Verbal announcements are due by Wednesdays at noon.

Please limit announcements to 100 words. Thank you!

SAINT PAULS PRAYS

Please clip this page and pray for those who are named below. To have your prayer request included, simply ask a pastor in person, on the phone or by email.

Our practice is to run each prayer request for four weeks and then remove it.

If you would like to continue a prayer request after four weeks, let a pastor know.

- Marcia Knudson at the death of her husband, Wes Salsbury.
- Sonja Rae recovering from hip replacement surgery.
- Juanita Barlow and son Jeff at the 50th anniversary of her husband George's death. A gift has been made to the Sam Hill Music Fund.
- Ginger Hecht and family at the death of her mother, Nina Whitsel.
- Jan Bail at the death of her sister, Marty.
- Lorri Gunn Wirsum, diagnosed with COVID and at home managing symptoms.
- Encouragement for Al Cerkan as he enters home recovery for a serious spinal cord injury.
- An 18-year-old friend of Lisa Doerr in critical condition from a burst aneurysm.
- Chris, Rem and Sabrina Cabrera-Schram at the death of son and brother, Gabriel.
- Pastor Jamie Frazier, whose mother, Irene, has died.
- Joe JaQuay, being treated for an infection in his leg.
- Cameron and his family, family friends of Juanita Barlow, managing his brain damage after an accident.
- Bob and Cheryl Kuba as they are challenged by some significant health issues.
- Mary Frances Winking's parents facing health and quality of life obstacles.
- Carole Crowley, recovering from a stroke.

Prayer, Support, Mental Health Resources

Even when you walk through the valley of shadows, God is with you. If you or someone you love is feeling completely alone or like life doesn't matter, reach out for help. Help is available for every kind of issue. Contact one of the pastors today for support, referrals, and information that can help you and your loved ones.

ABOUT ST. PAULS
Making a Joyful Sound in the City!

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989, we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open and Affirming" of LGBTQ people.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets, we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most important, over the past 178 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God. We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

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WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,
grandparents and families of all configurations.

Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who grieve.

Welcome to each and to everyone.

We are an Open and Affirming church.

We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and
we are glad you are here.