

Pastor Alicia Travels to Egypt!

Pastor Alicia will be traveling to Egypt on October 12-24, to learn more about portions of the Old Testament context. Jami Breedlove-Crouch will preach on October 18 and Rev. Bill Gottschalk-Fielding will preach on October 25.

“When the Clergy Went Underground”

St. Paul's United Women in Faith are inviting you and your friends to a free dramatic reading of “When the Clergy Went Underground” at St. Paul's Sanctuary, **Friday, October 23, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** The play, by Carol Kammen, historian emerita of Tompkins County, is based on records written by David Evans, the late minister of the First Baptist Church in Ithaca. It recounts his experiences in the 1960s working with those who sought safe abortions when it was illegal and starting the Upstate New York /Clergy Consultation Services.

“The play is a vivid reminder of the moral courage of several local citizens when they saw others with difficult personal situations,” commented Sue Perlgut, the play's original director.

Crossroads & Finger Lakes Districts Learning Day

On **Saturday, Oct. 24, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm**, at Auburn UMC, 99 South Street, Auburn, workshops will be offered once in the morning and once in the afternoon: The Effective SPPRC, Single Board Governance, The ABC's of Running a Good Meeting, Messy Church, and The Many Expressions of Grief. Please **register by October 13 at:** <https://form.jotform.com/262424128966059>.

St. Paul's Ministries ~ Week of October 4, 2026

Sunday, October 4

10:30 am – Worship w/Communion
~Sanctuary
11:30 am – Coffee/Fellowship
~ Memorial Rooms
11:45 am – Young Adults~Durham Rm.

Monday, October 5

7:00 pm – ***Rematriated Voices***
~Memorial Rooms

Tuesday, October 6

10:00 am – Staff Meeting~ZOOM
7:00 pm – Local & World Missions~Hybrid

Wednesday, October 7

7:00 pm – SPRC~ZOOM

Thursday, October 8

11:00 am – Crafting Group~Durham Room
6:00 pm – Festival Chimes rehearsal~Sanctuary
7:15 pm – Chancel Choir rehearsal~DR

Sunday, October 11

10:30 am – Worship w/FE ~Sanctuary
11:30 am – Coffee/Fellowship~Memorial Rooms

A Message for All God's Children

Special Music

"By Our Love"
by Thomas Kendzia

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

John 13:1-4a, 34-35 (NLT)
Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church!
Thanks be to God!

Maddy Coates

Message

"Love One Another"

Pastor Alicia Wood

RESPONDING

Offering our Gifts to God

Offertory

"Love"
by Joni Mitchell

Molly MacMillan, piano

World Communion Sunday provides educational development and scholarships for students from diverse cultures and global backgrounds to foster inclusive church leadership. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's with "World Communion Sunday" in the memo line and place in the enclosed special Sunday offering envelope.

Prayer of Dedication

Pastor Alicia Wood

***Hymn**

"Time Now to Gather"

FWS #2265

Holy Communion

UMH #15-16

GOING FORTH

Announcements

***Closing Hymn**

"Pass It On"

UMH #572

***Benediction**

Postlude

"Allegro from Sonata KV 333"
by Mozart

Molly MacMillan, piano

-----PRAYERS-----

Our sympathies and comfort for the Mapes family as Martha Mapes passed on Sept. 30.

We are thankful for God's healing in all of our lives. Please pray for Jodi Glazier; Sue Orzel's stepbrother, Rick Hardesty; Mary Lou Tenney; Mary and Matthew Boardman for healing; Linda Yetter for healing and peace. For **Prayer Chain** requests, please contact Jami Breedlove-Crouch, lovingcare@stpaulsithaca.org.

If this is your first visit with us today, we are thrilled that you are here! Please fill out the yellow Connect Card, place in the offering plate so that we may have a record of your visit.

Children's Ministries

Infants - Preschoolers are invited to enjoy our new area located at the middle Sanctuary entrance. A parent/guardian is asked to stay with their children and still be part of the worshipping congregation.

Rematriated Voices

Rematriated Voices with Michelle Schenandoah is a groundbreaking talk show to empower truth, reclaim democracy, and live in balance with Mother Earth. Join us on **Monday evenings, October 5, 12, 19, 26 at 7:00 pm** in the Memorial Room for viewing and reflecting on this PBS documentary series. Grounded in Haudenosaunee principles, ***Rematriated Voices*** invites viewers and listeners to consider their answer to one of the most common Haudenosaunee greetings, "Are you at peace?"

Local and World Missions Team

Would you like to be part of our Local and World Missions Team? We are looking for new members to help rejuvenate the group. Meetings are held monthly on the first **Tuesday, 7:00 pm in the Memorial Rooms, starting October 6.** Please join us or contact Holly Matthison, drydenbelle@gmail.com.

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation month. A special reception to honor Pastor Alicia will be held after worship on **October 11 in the Memorial Rooms.** Cards for Pastor Alicia can be placed in the box located in the Narthex.

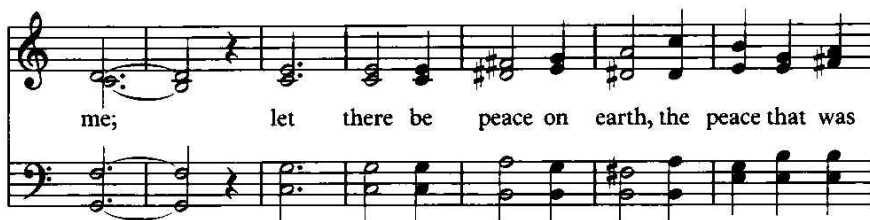
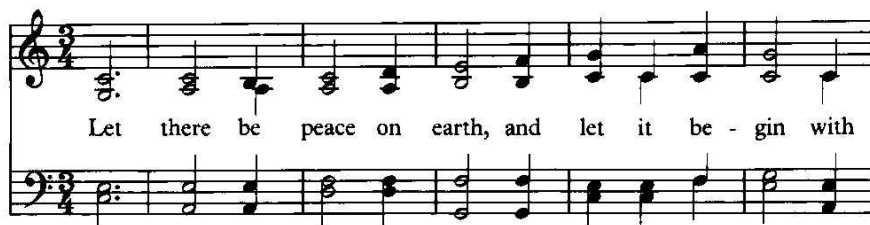
Trunk or Treat Fun!!

St. Paul's will host one car at the YMCA Trunk or Treat event on **Saturday, October 17, 1:00 - 3:00 pm.** Please **donate bags of child friendly**

candy (no hard candy/peanuts) and/or cookie snack packs to the collection box in the narthex. We need a car volunteered, decorations for the car and 4 or 5 people to host, handing out treats to the expected 500 - 700 children. To help, contact Cheryl, cherylmcgraw@cornell.edu.

SANCTIFYING AND PERFECTING GRACE

431 Let There Be Peace on Earth

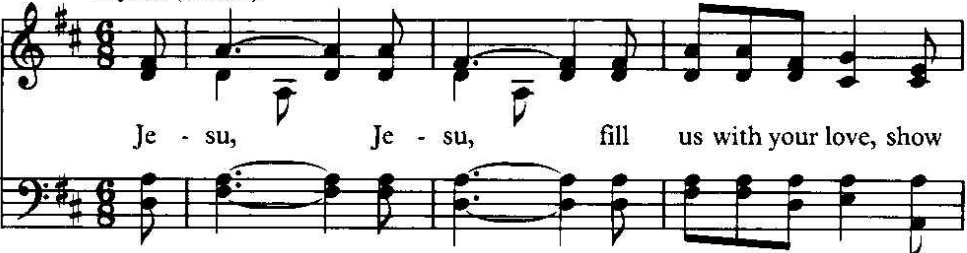


**Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.*

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Jesu, Jesu

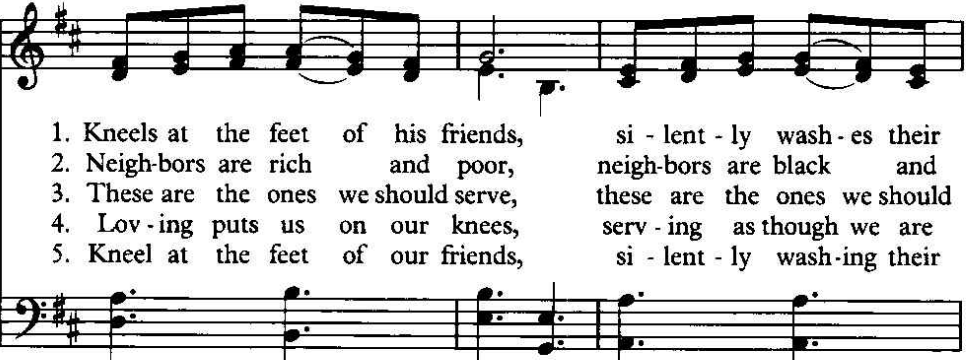
Refrain (Unison)



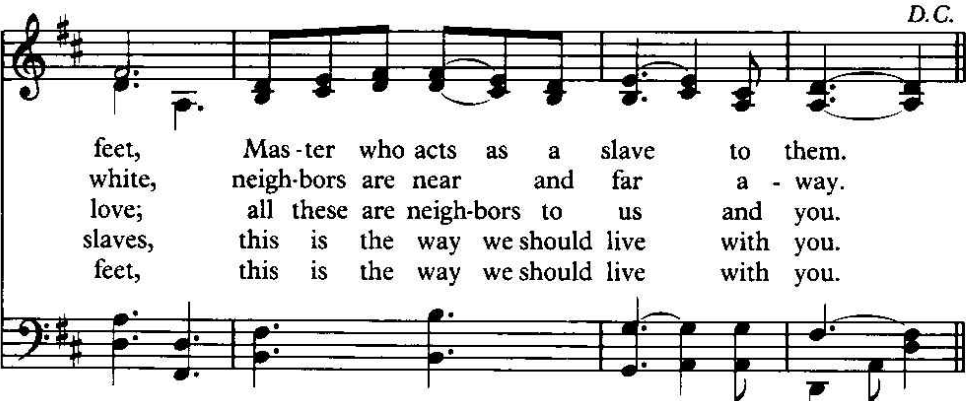
Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show



us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you. *Fine*



1. Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2. Neigh-bors are rich and poor, neigh-bors are black and
 3. These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should
 4. Lov - ing puts us on our knees, serv - ing as though we are
 5. Kneel at the feet of our friends, si - lent - ly wash - ing their



D.C.

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 white, neigh-bors are near and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 slaves, this is the way we should live with you.
 feet, this is the way we should live with you.

WORDS: Tom Colvin, 1969 (Jn. 13:1-17)

MUSIC: Ghana folk song; arr. by Tom Colvin, 1969; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988

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 Irr. with Refrain

Time Now to Gather

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1. Time now to gath - er, time now to feel
2. Time to re - mem - ber Christ who was sent.
3. All who are hun - gry, come, and be fed.



Christ's ho - ly pres - ence grac - ing this meal.
Time to say, "Thank you" for all he meant.
Serve one an - oth - er this cup and bread.



Grain from the har - vest, fruit of the vine;
Come to this ta - ble. Come, with - out fear.
All who are trou - bled, hurt - ing, or sad,



sim - ple the sup - per, sa - cred the sign.
God will for - give you, wel - come you here.
come, and find heal - ing. Come, and be glad!

WORDS: Mary Nelson Keithahn (Luke 22:19-20)

MUSIC: John D. Horman

WELCOME SONG

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Pass It On

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Unison

1. It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire
 2. What a won - drous time is spring, when all the trees are
 3. I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi - ness that

go - ing, and soon all those a - round can
 bud - ding; the birds be - gin to sing, the
 I've found; you can de - pend on him, it

warm up in its glow - ing. That's how it is with
 flow - ers start their bloom - ing. That's how it is with
 mat - ters not where you're bound. I'll shout it from the

God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you spread his love to
 God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you want to sing, it's
 moun - tain - top; I want my world to know; the Lord of love has

ev - ery - one; you want to pass it on.
 fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.
 come to me, I want to pass it on.

WORDS: Kurt Kaiser, 1969

MUSIC: Kurt Kaiser, 1969

PASS IT ON

Irr.