Be Sure to Join Us…

On **Sunday, November 22**……return your pledge card in person and help Hang the Greens after worship!

Older Adult Ministry Holiday Lunch

The Older Adult Ministry team invites you to join them for a festive Holiday lunch, carol singing, and homemade cookies on **Tuesday, December 8, 11:30 am-1:30 pm** in the Memorial Rooms. Look for an invitation in your email or contact the church office, 607-273.-5971, by Sunday, December 6, if you would like to attend.

Save the Date!

4th Annual Cookie Decorating, Sunday, December 13 in the Memorial Rooms after worship and will end by 1:30 pm. We will have a nourishing, "expanded" Fellowship Time menu, and begin the cookie decorating around 12:15 pm. Everyone is invited to participate and bring friends! Please let Joellyn Tuttle, jrwtuttle@gmail.com or Pam Lilliard, psl1@cornell.edu know if you're coming so we have enough food, cookies and decorating items on hand for everyone!

SPUMC Cookie Bakers-We need 15 dozen sugar or gingerbread cut-out cookies or flat drop cookies for our Cookie Decorating. A few dozen gluten-free cookies are needed as well. **If you can provide cookies to decorate, please contact Joellyn Tuttle at** jrwtuttle@gmail.com, cell/text: 315-289-7187.

St. Paul's Ministries ~ Week of November 15, 2026

Sunday, November 15
10:30 am – Worship w/ FE~Sanctuary
12:00 pm – Congregational Lunch ~Memorial Rooms

Tuesday, November 17
Newsletter article contributions deadline
FE~Sanctuary
7:00 pm – Church Council

Wednesday, November 18
9:30 am – Coffee w/Pastor Alicia ~Pastor's Office
7:00 pm – Egypt Presentation-ZOOM

Thursday, November 19
11:00 am – Crafting Group~Durham Room
6:00 pm – Festival Chimes rehearsal~Sanctuary
7:15 pm – Chancel Choir rehearsal~DR

Sunday, November 22
10:30 am – W
11:30 am – Coffee/Fellowship~Memorial Rooms ~Memorial Rooms
11:45 am – Hanging of the Greens~Sanctuary

Saint Paul's United Methodist Church

"A Compassionate Community Led and Transformed by the Spirit."

Sunday, November 15, 2026 - 10:30 am Service

We welcome you, trusting that this time of worship will open our hearts to experience the Spirit's movement among us. Together, we seek peace, health, and wholeness as we gather in God's presence.

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**Indicates a standing portion of the service, please stand as you are able*

GATHERING

Gathering Music "The Master's Hand" by Dolly Parton *Molly MacMillan, piano*

Greetings and Welcome

***Sharing Peace & Love with All**

Centering Music "Moonrise" by Brian Childers *Festival Chimes*

***Call to Worship** (by G. Kowalski) *Pastor Alicia Wood*

One: In this sacred hour may our spirits be renewed.
All: In this gathering of old and new friends
One: may we be ready to extend ourselves to those in need,
All: and with trust to receive the hand that is offered.
One: In this time of celebration,
All: may our minds be open to new truth,
One: and our hearts be receptive to love,
All: as we give thanks for this life we are blessed to share.

***Opening Hymn** "There's a Spirit in the Air" UMH #192

PROCLAIMING

A Message for All God's Children *Pastor Alicia Wood*

Special Music "Harvest Dance" *Festival Chimes*

by Crystal Peebles

Sharing of the Heart

***Hymn** "Jesus, We Are Here" FWS #2273

Scripture Reading Psalm 86:10-12, Matthew 6:24 (CEB) *Kelli Hensen*
Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church!
Thanks be to God!

Message *Pastor Alicia Wood*

RESPONDING

***Hymn** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" FWS #2193

Prayers of the People *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

Offering our Gifts to God

Offertory "Duquility" *Molly MacMillan, piano*
by Mal Waldron

***Doxology** "What Gift Can We Bring" UMH #87 v. 4

***Unison Prayer of Dedication** *Pastor Alicia Wood*
Holy and Merciful God, take our gifts, symbols of our devotion, our wordless love, our silent thanks to you for all you have given and all we have yet to receive. Amen.

GOING FORTH

Announcements

***Closing Hymn** "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" UMH #404

***Benediction**

Postlude "Fughetta" *Molly MacMillan, piano*
by J.S. Bach

-----PRAYERS----

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; Liren, Andrea and Andreanna Downing Zheng; 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! Pease fill out the yellow Connect Card, place in the offering plate so that we may have a record of your visit.

Children's Ministries

Faith Explorers (ages 4-11) begins following the "Message For All God's Children" portion of the worship service (approx. 10:45 am). Parents/ Guardians are asked to pick up their children after worship in Room 115, just past the Memorial Rooms.

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.

Mission of the Month: Code Blue

Code Blue is a New York State–mandated emergency program that ensures overnight shelter when the forecasted temperature with wind chill is 32 degrees or below. Generally, a Code Blue season runs from October through April. Volunteers of America offers Code Blue emergency shelter services for Tompkins County. This month we are requesting prepared breakfast items: cereal, breakfast bars, instant oatmeal, single fruit cups, to support the Tompkins County Code Blue program.

$ and Sense of St. Paul's

Join us for lunch **after worship TODAY** as members of the Stewardship campaign share information about church finances and ministry plans with time for Q&A. Delicious soups and sides will be provided, vegan and gluten-free options available. And, of course, the afternoon will include warm fellowship with other St. Paulians!

Egypt Presentation

Pastors Alicia and Jack will share pictures and stories about their October 2026 Egypt experiences on **November 18 at 7:00 pm.** See Friday email for

the ZOOM link or contact Pastor Alicia, pastor@stpaulsithaca.org.

"There's a Spirit in the Air" UMH #192

There's a Spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere:
Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

Lose your shyness, find your tongue; tell the world what God has done.
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

When believers break the bread, when a hungry child is fed,
praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working in our world.

Still the Spirit leads the fight, seeing wrong and setting right:
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

When a stranger's not alone, when the homeless find a home,
praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

May the Spirit fill our praise, guide our thoughts and change our ways:
God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying 2193



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