Quarterly Newsletter Contributions Due

Please submit newsletter articles and pictures to office@stpaulsithaca.org with "Winter Newsletter" in the subject line by **Tuesday, November 17**.

Be Sure to Join Us…

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

SAVE-THE -DATE

Please mark your calendars for our festive Older Adult Ministries Holiday Luncheon on **Tuesday, December 8, 11:30 am-1:30 pm!**

Open Doors-Open Lives Auction

The annual online "Open Doors | Open Lives" auction will be **November 30 - December 5** this year! Preview the auction: Black Friday, November 27, Bid: Monday, November 30 - Saturday, December 5.
Auction website: 32auctions.com/opendoorsenglish2026
All proceeds of the auction support our adult ESL program and our students. Events like this auction go a long way in raising awareness about our school. We appreciate your generosity and help in spreading the word!

St. Paul's Ministries ~ Week of November 8, 2026

Sunday, November 8
10:30 am – Worship w/ FE~Sanctuary
11:30 am – Coffee/Fellowship
~Memorial Rooms

Monday, November 9
4:45 pm – Lay Leadership Team-ZOOM

Tuesday, November 10
6:00 pm – Finance Meeting-ZOOM
7:15 pm – Trustees -ZOOM

Wednesday, November 11
Church offices closed in Observance
of Veteran's Day
9:30 am – Coffee w/Pastor Alicia~Pastor's Office

Thursday, November 12
11:00 am – Crafting Group~Durham Room
6:00 pm – Festival Chimes rehearsal~Sanctuary
7:15 pm – Chancel Choir rehearsal~DR

Saturday, November 14
9:30 am – Charge Conference~Lansing UMC

Sunday, November 15
10:30 am – Worship w/FE~Sanctuary
11:30 am – Coffee/Fellowship~Memorial Rooms
~Memorial Rooms

Saint Paul's United Methodist Church

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

Sunday, November 8, 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.

Permission to reprint, podcast, and/or stream music, ONE LICENSE #A-728210.

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

GATHERING

Gathering Music "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" *Molly MacMillan, piano*
by Johann Franck/ J S Bach

Greetings and Welcome *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

***Sharing Peace & Love with All**

Centering Music "Improvisation" *Molly MacMillan, piano*
by Robert Schumman

***Call to Worship** *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

Welcome! Open your hearts to God's love this day!
Praise be to God who has called us here!
Let the words wash over you and offer you healing and hope.
Praise be to God who continually blesses us!
Place your hope and trust in God!
With joyful hearts, we come to worship and praise God who continually blesses and provides for us. AMEN.

***Opening Hymn** "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" Insert

PROCLAIMING

A Message for All God's Children *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

Special Music "Where Your Treasures Are" *Chancel Choir*

by Pepper Choplin

Sharing of the Heart *Vito Sciscioli*

***Hymn** "Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom" UMH #508

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:19-21 & Mark 12:41-44 *Linda Yetter*
Hear What the Spirit is Saying to the Church!
Thanks be to God!

Message "Treasures of the Heart" *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

RESPONDING

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

Prayers of the People *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*

Offering our Gifts to God

Offertory "No Other Like You" *Molly MacMillan, piano*
by Paula Carpenter/Mark Comden

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

***Unison Prayer of Dedication** *Jami Breedlove-Crouch*
Faithful 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** "They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love" FWS #2223

***Benediction**

Postlude "Song Without Words" *Molly MacMillan, piano*

by Felix Mendelsohn

-----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.

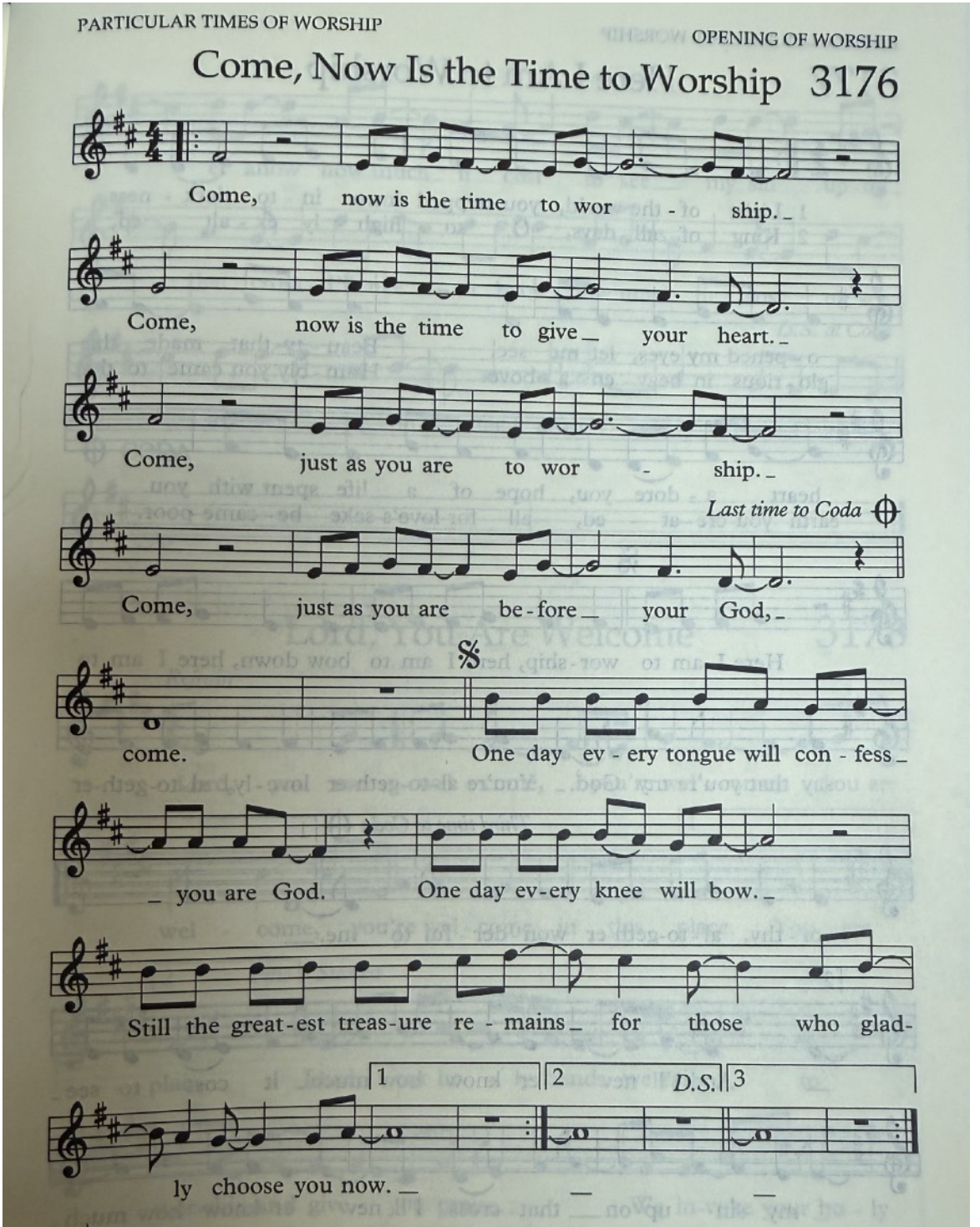
St. Paul's UMC Charge Conference

Please join us for our annual United Methodist Church Charge Conference on **November 14, 9:30 am at Lansing United Methodist Church**, Lansing, NY. Church Council members are strongly encouraged to attend, but all are welcome. Pastor Alicia promises that once again, she will make the Charge Conference fun and exciting!

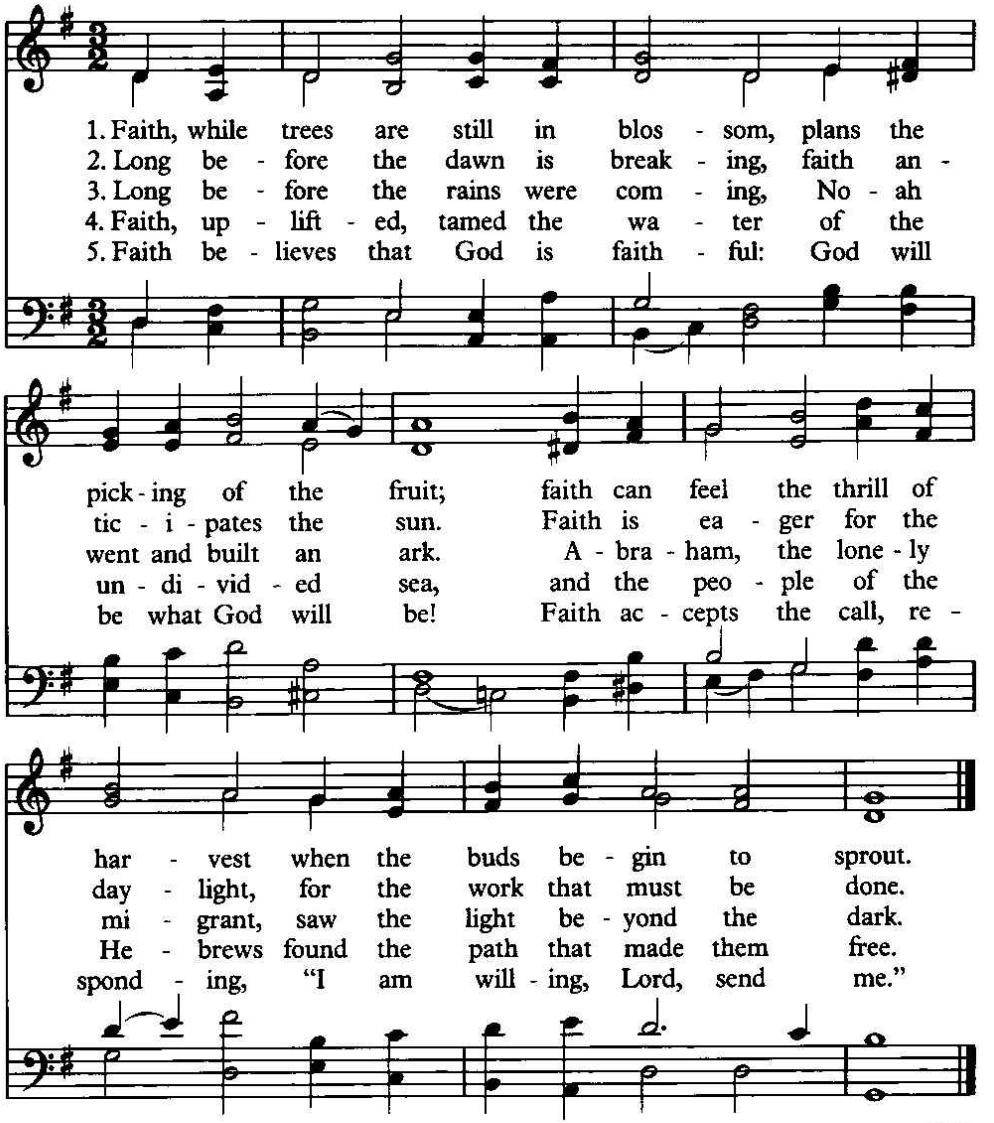
Lay Leadership Luncheon

On **Sunday November 15**, the Lay Leadership Team will host another all-church lunch after worship in the Memorial Rooms. Please join us as we offer

an allergy conscious winter menu, an update on findings from our last gathering and a short presentation from our Stewardship Team.



Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom 508



WORDS: Anders Frostenson, 1960; trans. by Fred Kaan, 1972 (Heb. 11)
MUSIC: V. Earle Copes, 1960

FOR THE BREAD
87.87

Words © Ansgar Film & Bokproduktion; trans. © 1976 Hope Publishing Co.; music © 1960 renewed 1988 Hope Publishing Co.

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying 2193



WORDS: Ken Medema
MUSIC: Ken Medema

© 1973 Hope Publishing Co.

CHILDREN PRAYING
98.99

2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



WORDS: Peter Scholtes (John 13:34-35; Eph. 4:4-6)
MUSIC: Peter Scholtes

ST. BRENDAN'S
76.76.86 with Refrain

© 1966 F.E.L. Publications, assigned 1991 to The Lorenz Corp.