

St. Paul's (Penns Creek) Worship 8:30 a.m.
Worship with us on Sundays.....Sunday School: 9:00 am,
Online, in Sanctuary Worship: 10:30 am

TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAM

ORGANIST Sylvia Strawser
SOUND ROOM..... Terry Polan, Brody Hetrick
VIDEO Marie Hassinger
AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST..... EVERYONE!
PRAYER TEAM EVERYONE!

For a complete list of staff and ministry leaders, livestreaming services, upcoming events and much more, visit our website and Facebook page: www.paxtonvilleumc.org www.facebook.com/paxtonvilleumc

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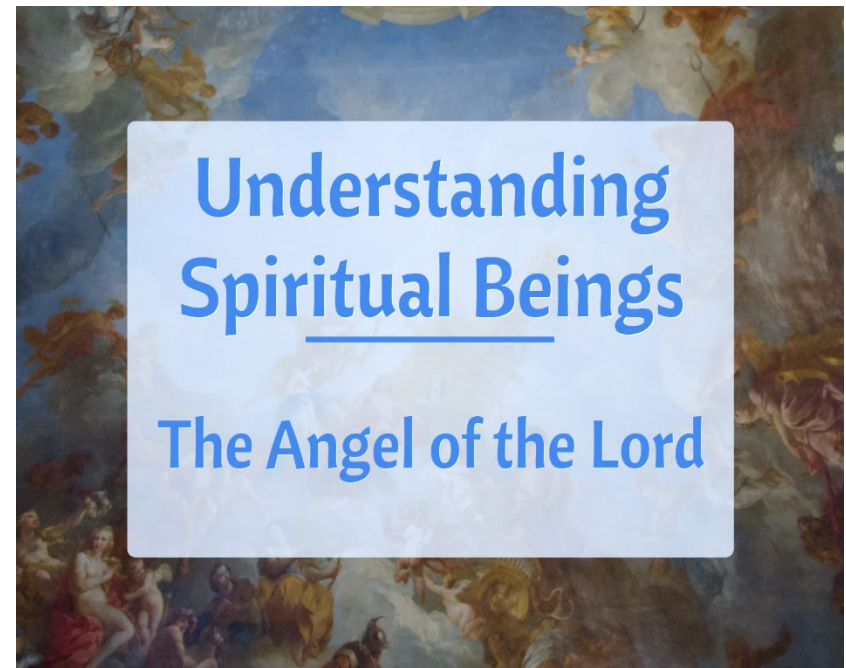
***Jesus, You are the Way, the Truth and the Life.
Let us worship You today in Spirit and in Truth.***

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Paxtonville United Methodist Church

Pastor Ryan Krauss

Sunday, March 26, 2023



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Be the Light: Trust, Love, Serve

Understanding Spiritual Beings

March 26, 2023

Prelude

Welcome and Discipleship Announcements

First Scripture Lesson Genesis 16:7-14

***Opening Hymn UMH 189 “Fairest Lord Jesus”**

Joys, Praise, Concern

***Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Bless us, Father God, for we still wrestle with Sin.
All: Lord be in our hearts and on our lips so that we can truly and humbly confess and repent.

All: We confess, Almighty God, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, by things we have done, and by things we have not done. We have wronged you, and we have wronged our neighbor, and we have wronged ourselves. Have mercy, Lord, for we are sorry. And we intend to live into the fullness of life that you have for us.

Leader: Please take a moment of silence to reflect and repent of any particular sin or brokenness before the Lord who loves us.

All: Thanks be to God who sent his Son to take away our sin through the Grace of the Holy Spirit.

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Children's Word

***Hymn UMH 110 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**

Scripture Lesson..... Exodus 3:1-8

Sermon. Understanding Spiritual Beings:
The Angel of the Lord

***Closing Songs “Spirit of the Living God”
..... “Come to the Altar”**

*Parting Blessing

*Postlude

Prayers have been asked for the following individuals:

Gary Kratzer, Patsy Young, Faye Darnell,
Judy Moyer, Byron & Carol Hassinger,
Lee & Diane Shamory, Sarah Reichenbach,
Cheryl Folk, Mary Ewing, David Stull, Guy Kerstetter

LAST WEEK’S STEWARDSHIP

General Fund	\$2,477.00
Online Giving	456.60
Sunday School	15.00
Pavilion Fund	1,042.00
Youth Mission Trip	729.25
Kitchen Heater	220.00
Bread of Life	5.00

FAITH GROUP GATHERINGS

- Monday Morning Mocha Mondays, 9 a.m.
- Men’s Group Mondays, 7 p.m.
- ROCK Wednesday, March 29 6:30 p.m.
- Breakfast Girls Wednesday, April 12, 8:30 a.m.
- Men of Faith Tuesday, April 18, 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- March 29 Worship Design Team, 6:30 p.m.
- April 5 Lay Leadership/Nominations, 6:30 p.m.
- April 13 Governing Board, 6:15 p.m.



SUNDAY MORNING HELP NEEDED: Are you looking for a small way to become involved here at church? Are you a morning person and can be in the building by 10 a.m.? Are you cheerful? Do you enjoy talking with people and helping them? If you answered yes to these questions, then we have the perfect opportunity for you. Volunteer to be a part of the Hospitality Team.

Where are you needed? Positions are open as Door Men, Welcome Persons (hand out bulletins), and Visitor Table Attendants. If you are thinking "I can do this", then talk with Nancy Stull or place your name on the back of the Communication Slip where it lists Other and indicate what position you will help with.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: We are looking for a driven and passionate individual who will serve in the role of PUMC Financial Secretary. This ministry involves the collection, recording, and depositing of gifts, tithes, and offerings made to PUMC and makes use of secure financial software.

Training and other support will be provided.

At PUMC we are so very grateful for the diligent and faithful work of Linda Howell who has been our financial secretary for the last two years.

SERMON TOPICS: Pastor Ryan is looking for input from members and attenders (in person or online) for sermon topics in the 2023-2024 calendar year. There is an easel in the church library where you can list your suggestions in person. You may also use this google form link to provide suggestions online. This process is anonymous (unless, of course, you share your ideas with Pastor Ryan in person). All input is welcome and needs to be in by Easter Sunday!

MEN'S BREAKFAST: The Men's group is inviting all men of the church to join in a time of eating & fellowship to discuss the upcoming retreat to Wesley Forest. The breakfast will be on April 15 at 8 a.m. Please consider attending, we hope to see you there! Also, sign-up if you are planning on attending!

Prayer for Paxtonville Church

- Pray for the peace of Christ to reign in us (Col. 3:15)
- Pray for the leaders of our church, other churches in the UMC, and denominational leaders.
- Pray that we would have a clear, unified understanding of where God wants us as individuals and as a church.
- Pray that we would seek God's desires for us above all other things.
- Pray that we would walk in step with the Spirit and honor each other in every part of these conversations.
- Pray that the Lord would protect us from the spiritual forces of division, distraction, slander and self-interest.

EASTER & HOLY WEEK SERVICES @ PUMC

Sunday, April 2	Palm Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, April 6	Holy Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 19	Sunrise, 6:30 a.m.
	Paxtonville Cemetery
	Easter Worship, 10:30 a.m.
	Sanctuary

PAINT & PRAISE: Tuesday, May 23rd our Youth are having a Paint & Praise benefit evening. You are invited to join in the fun from 6-8 p.m. The cost of the evening is \$35; all supplies included for a 11X14 canvas, and appetizers. No art skills needed! Fun step-by-step instructions will be given. Please sign-up and give your payment to Tony Landis.

Genesis 16:7-14 NIV

“Come to the Altar”

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well Jesus is calling

**Chorus: O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ**

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born Jesus is calling

Oh what a Savior isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him for he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

⁷ The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. ⁸ And he said, “Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?” “I’m running away from my mistress Sarai,” she answered. ⁹ Then the angel of the LORD told her, “Go back to your mistress and submit to her.” ¹⁰ The angel added, “I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count.”

¹¹ The angel of the LORD also said to her: “You are now pregnant and you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the LORD has heard of your misery. ¹² He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone’s hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers.” ¹³ She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her: “You are the God who sees me,” for she said, “I have now seen the One who sees me.” ¹⁴ That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered.

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
O thou of God and man the Son, thee will I cherish,
thee will I honor, thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,
robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,
and all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!
Son of God and son of man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration now and forevermore be Thine

And Moses said, "Here I am."

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.

For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great, And armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.

Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus it is he;
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

And though this world with devils filled, should threaten
to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph thru us.

The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, For lo his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abideth
the Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru Him who with us sideth.

Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill; God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever.

Exodus 3:1-8 NIV

3 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. **2** There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. **3** So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

4 When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!"

5 "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground." **6** Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

7 The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. **8** So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites.

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, Spirit of the living God
We only want to hear Your voice we're hanging on ev'ry word
Spirit of the living God, Spirit of the living God
We want to know You more and more
We're hanging on ev'ry word
Come and speak to us O Lord

**Chorus: 'Cause when You speak and when You move
When You do what only You can do
It changes us
It changes what we see and what we seek
When You come in the room
When You do what only You can do
It changes us
It changes what we see and what we seek
You're changing ev'rything**

Spirit of the living God, Spirit of the living God
We're leaning in to all You are
Ev'rything else can wait
Spirit of the living God, Spirit of the living God

Come now and breathe upon our hearts
Come now and have Your way

When You move You move all our fears
When You move You move us to tears
When You move You move all our fears
When You move You move us to tears
When You fall we fall on our knees
When You fall we fall at Your feet
And when You fall we fall on our knees
And when You fall we fall at Your feet yeah

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