

If you are a guest with us, welcome! We are glad you are here. Below is some information that may be helpful to you joining us in worship.

#### Nursery Information:

A volunteer staffed Nursery is available during worship. You may find the Nursery by exiting the Sanctuary entry doors and turning right and going into the glass doors to the part of the building behind the Sanctuary. The Nursery can be found by going up the stairs and then to the left, down the hall, and left again. Often, one or two of our Zion hosts will be sitting at the top of the stairs to assist you.

#### Worship Information:

During our service, we will be saying the Lord's Prayer and singing the Doxology. If you do not know the words, please find them below.

#### The Lord's Prayer

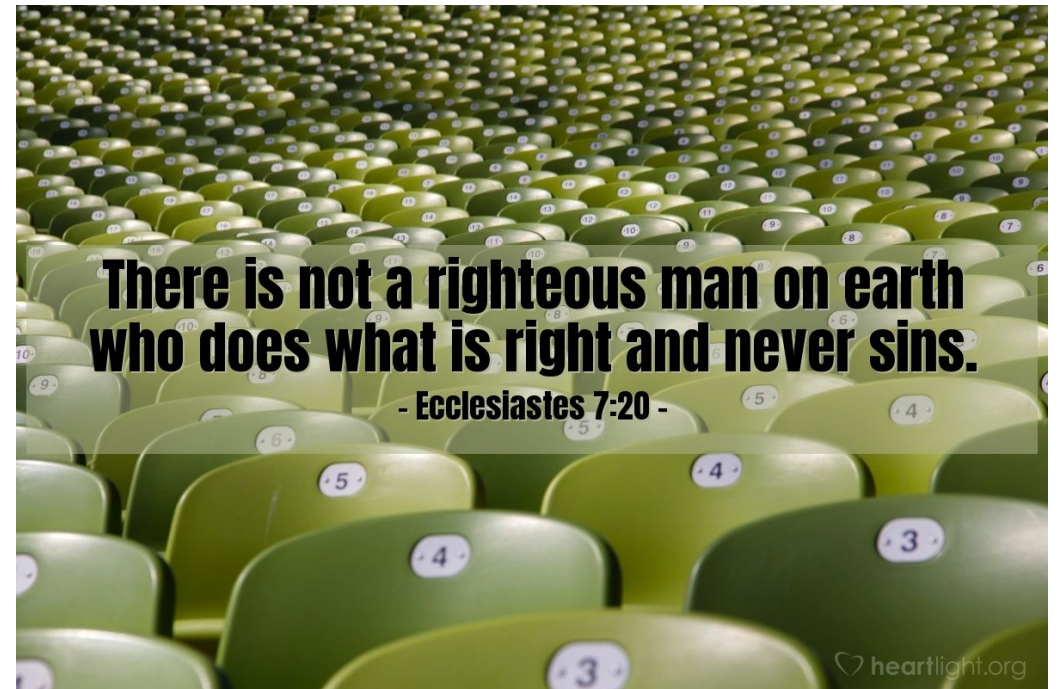
Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on Earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above the Heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost  
Amen

# St. Paul's

## United Church of Christ



**March 19, 2023**  
**9:00 am**

*Rev. J.D. Rose, Pastor / 812-774-6688*

*Katie Maurer, Director of Music Ministry*

#### **ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude Combined Handbell Choir

\*Call to Worship

One: Sisters and brothers, we come together to worship God who offers us freedom through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Many: For Christ has set us free from sin and death that we might live to God's glory and praise.**

One: We have not received a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear.

**Many: We have received the living Christ that we might be children of God.**

One: Come, let us worship the Lord!

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession **(in unison)**

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Hymn "Nearer, My God to Thee" #577

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation "Be Still, My Soul" #566, Verse 1

Silence/Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer **(in unison)**

Special Music "The Holy Lamb of God" Choir  
(Scott)

Scripture Ecclesiastes 7:1-29

Sermon "The Meaning of Life: This Alone I Found"

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory "Come Into His Presence"  
(Baird)

Response "Doxology"

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving **(in unison)**

**Generous God, accept these gifts as a means of bringing you glory and praise and as a way to draw others into this place. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn "Change My Heart, Oh God" Insert

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*(\*) All who are able please stand when noted.*