Announcements for the week of November 22, 2026

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SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR: Sunday, November 29, 2026
Isa 64:1-9; Ps 80:1-7, 17-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37

Local and St. Paul's Happenings:
Sunday School Every Sunday; Confirmation Every Wednesday

Today	Totenfest
Today	Council Meeting

***Food Shelf Tree is in place on the on the upper landing of the church until the end of December. Please give what you can.

November 25	Joint UCC Thanksgiving Service at St. Paul's, Plato 7:00pm
November 28	Plato Christmas Lighting – Plato City Park 5:30pm
December 6	Sunday School Gingerbread House Decorating (during Sunday School)
December 6	Women's Guild Meeting
December 6	Poinsettia Order Forms Due
December 13	Confirmation

- **Our Members Living in Long Term Care:**

(Please keep them in your prayers. Addresses are posted on the bulletin board**.)**

Harmony River Living Center in Hutchinson:	Olive Pinske
The Haven in Norwood Young America:	Mavis Schuette.
Broadwell Senior Living, Plymouth:	Jim Jensen, Apt 228
Orchard Estates:	Donna Schmidt, Room 115
Cokato Manor:	Orville Schrupp, Rm 151
The Harbor, Norwood-Young America	Doris Schrupp; Apt 303

Greeter: *(Please be here 30 minutes before worship)*:

Nov 22	Scott & Jean Nelson
Nov 29	Wendy Anderson

Scripture Readers
Peg Flusemann

Fellowship Time
Nov 22 Lyle & Dana Engelmann, Lloyd & Sharon Graupmann

Altar / Communion
November Sandra Frederickson

St. Paul's United Church of Christ
Plato, MN

Sunday, November 22, 2026
9:00 a.m.



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[1] Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.[2] Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. [3] Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. [4] Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. [5] For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Psalm 100

November 22, 2026 **9:00 a.m.** **Reign of Christ Sunday**
TOTENFEST Sunday

Prelude Diane Anderson
Ringing of the Bell

Opening Hymn: *#797 "Come Ye Thankful People Come"*
Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home; All is safely gathered in 'ere the winter storms begin. God our maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied. Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest home.

***Passing God's Peace** **+Announcements – Joys – Concerns**

Proclamation of Praise (Responsively)
Pastor: Come, God is seeking to gather us together. Like a shepherd searching for lost sheep, God calls us.

Congregation: Something or someone has summoned us here. Dare we believe that God knows and welcomes us?

Pastor: God reaches out to rescue all who have strayed. Scattered, weak, and injured ones are drawn to God.

Congregation: We come, in need of healing, seeking a blessing Our faith draws us here, in spite of our doubts.

Pastor: Come, above all else, to worship and give thanks. Make a joyful noise to the Creator of all worlds.

Congregation: God's steadfast love becomes real to us here. We are reminded of God's immeasurable greatness.

Prayer of Invocation (In Unison): We come with gladness, loving God, drawn by our need and by a desire to praise you and give thanks. Enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we may be full of hope. Enlarge the circle of our concern that we may see the stranger as next of kin, the hungry person as part of our own family, the one who is sick as a whole individual deserving of our care. Grant us the presence of Christ that we may learn more fully to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Amen.

Hymn: *#790 "We Gather Together"*

Prayer of Confession: All-knowing God, you are aware of our comfort-seeking weakness. We ignore strangers in need as if they were no concern of ours. We resist programs that might threaten our privileges. We do only enough good to keep us from feeling Guilty. We give grudgingly of our time and resources, instead of overflowing with thanksgiving and joyous sharing. We treat the church as our possession rather than letting Christ rule as head of the body. Oh God, we pray we have not wandered beyond your reach. Amen.

Service of Totenfest – *Those who have passed away this past year.*
Dennis Scharpe, James Graupmann, Loren Stockman
Ringing of the Bell
Responsive Reading (Insert) – Litany and Prayers of Remembrance

Scripture Lessons: Ezekial 34: 11-16, 20-24 Peg Flusemann
Matthew 25:31-46

Message: **"Have A Heart"** Pastor Brosz

UCC Statement of Faith 1981 (found in the front cover of the hymnal)

Prayer Hymn: *#788 "Now Thank We All Our God"*

Prayer Hymn and Lord's Prayer

Offering (as you have given upon entering or as you leave) **Doxology #815**

Offertory Prayer (In Unison): God of steadfast love, receive these expressions of our thanks for the glorious inheritance entrusted to us. We hereby enlist ourselves and our resources toward the realization of your eternal purpose for all humanity. May this congregation become more and more a source of hope for each of us and for all we meet. Amen.

Response *#816* ***"We Give Thee But Thine Own"***

Hymn: *#796* **"In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him"**

Benediction

Ringing of the Bell