

A safe place to be authentic and to experience acceptance, healing, and a loving relationship with Jesus Christ.



February 02, 2025

864-235-3494 - saintpaulumc1107@gmail.com Live-streaming Worship Service at 11:00am at www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/

> Pastor: Rev. Matthew Greer Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr. Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

Please silence your mobile device. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude "A Communion Medley"

Sikes

*Processional Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" Hymnal no.103 Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: The remnant of Israel will trust in the name of the Lord.

People: They will do no wrong; they will tell no lies. Leader: A deceitful tongue will not be found in their mouths.

People: They will eat and lie down and no one will make them afraid.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: Oh Lord, don't let our hearts be troubled. May we hold our heads up high because we do not fear any evil. May we fix our eyes on the truth; God is madly in love with us. May we be what we need to Take courage, to Hold on, to Be strong, and to Remember where our help comes from.Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Let us pass God's peace with each other. The peace of Christ be

with you.

People: And also with you.

Anthem "In Reme

"In Remembrance of Me" Chancel Choir Courtney

Word and Response

Children's Sermon

Children will come forward.

Following the children's sermon, we invite our K3 to 2nd grade children to follow the designated adult upstairs for a lesson and craft. Please follow the instructions on the name tag found in the back of your pew. At the end of the Prayers of the People, the adult leaders will bring them back to the sanctuary and ensure they return to their parent/guardian.

Offertory

You can give online by using the QR codes below or by dropping your offering in the plate.

Realm







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*The Doxology Hymnal No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Dear Lord, may the words spoken and sung be Yours and may they assist in the transformation You want to bring. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" UM Hymnal #881 I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri Hymnal no.70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Sermon Scripture Romans 6:11-14 NRSV (pg.146 NT)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series Part 4 "A Pastor's Prayer: Holiness" Rev. Matt Greer

Sacrament of Holy Communion UM Hymnal p.12

*Giving the Bread and Cup

The ushers will direct you to come forward in small groups and kneel at the altar rail. You will receive a piece of bread and a cup of juice to eat and drink with your

group. Gluten-free wafers are available. You may remain in prayer, then return to your seat via the outside aisles.

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Response: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

<u>Sending</u>

*Closing Hymn "Come, Sinners, To the Gospel Feast" Hymnal no.616

*Benediction

Postlude "Our Savior" Sikes

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 01/26/2024	Amount		
General Fund	\$2,780.74		
Other funds	\$1,135.08		
Total Giving	\$3,915.82		
General Fund Giving Goal per month	\$22,110.38		
General Fund Giving Goal per week	\$5,527.60		
General Fund Received this month to date	\$10,944.41		

Today's Servers:

Reader: Martha Ball Crucifer: Wesley Miller Acolyte: Maddie Miller Children's Worship:

A memorial was made to the glory of God in memory of Zachary Chappell by Ed and Mary Pool.

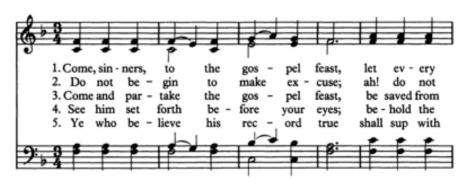
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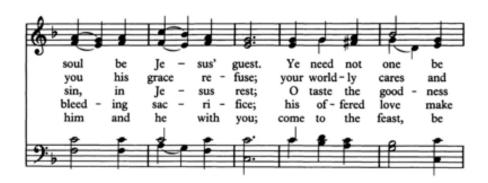
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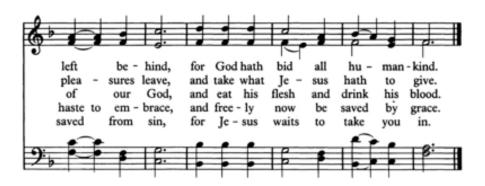
Podcast: podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107



616 Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast







WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1747 (Lk. 14:16-24)
MUSIC: Katholisches Gesangbuch, ca. 1774; adapt. from Metrical Psalter, 1855

Sun, 2/2	Missions Team meeting: Saint Paul	After worship
	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Wed, 2/5	Chancel Choir: Saint Paul	7:00pm

Upcoming events:

Sun, 2/9	Acknowledgement of Basketball players	In worship
	Souper Bowl Lunch: Saint Paul	After worship
	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 2/10	S/PPRC meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 2/11	Fellowship Luncheon: TBD	11:30am
	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Fri, 2/14	Valentine's Day	

From Pastor Matt

(You can always reach me at 864-421-3800 or matthewegreer@gmail.com)

Office Hours: We are open from 8:30am until 1:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and 8:30 to 12:30 on Wednesday. I am available at the above contact info and/or contact the office via the church email and phone during these hours.

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: John David Knobeloch, 2/4; Anna Cheshire, 2/8

Happy Anniversary: Janet and Carmie Cook celebrate 55 years together on 2/6. Congratulations!

In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Chelsea Biggers, Annette Bostic, Thomas Brown, Linda Bruce, William Bruce (Bruce/Terminato family), Jere, Byington, Ray Byington, Van Clinkscales, Geno Cope, Connie Cox, Darrie Crabtree, *Patsy Crabtree*, Natalie Davis, *Catherine Gilstrap*, Marie Good, Doris Goodwin, Carol Head, Sue Howard, Dot Huff, Missy Huff, Stacy & Jeff Israel, Lee Jenkinson, Carol Johnson, Jean Jones, Larry Jones, Brent Kanipe, Tinsley Lyles, Chuck McLesky, Betty McWhite, Alan Myers, Faye Mulligan, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Joyce Searcy, Deirdra Simmons, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, Alicia Terminato, Barry & Karen Thomas, *Lily Thompson*, friends serving in the Armed Services, first responders, and the leaders of the United States of America. (Bold = New, Italics = Currently in hospital or rehabilitation)

Upcoming Meetings

MISSIONS TEAM: We will be meeting on 2/2 following the worship service. Members are Edna Patterson, Debra Hampton, Peggy Whitmire, Teresa Ferrell, Pat Tompkins, Martha Ball, and John Tate.



S/PPRC: Will be meeting on 2/10 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Christine Hall, Steve Vaughn, Edna Patterson, Debra Hampton, Janet Cook, Tommy Head, Eugenia Vicars, and Pastor Matt. This is a closed meeting.



Trustees: Will be meeting on 2/11 at Saint Paul at 7pm. Members are John Sprinkle, Chris Cox, Neal Franks, Marcus Stephens, Elliott Hall, Stephanie Gamble, and Tracey Biggers. All are welcome!



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 2/17 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Stephen Newman, David Knobeloch, Eugenia Vicars, Dot Huff, Edna Patterson, Stephanie Gamble, and Pastor Matt. All are welcome!



Church Council: Will be meeting on 2/24 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Heather Storey, Camille Pool, Eugenia Vicars, David Knobeloch, Stephen Newman, Christine Hall, John Sprinkle, Carol Head, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Edna Patterson, Debra Hampton, Mary Anne Terminato, and Pastor

Matt. New members are welcome to attend. All are welcome!

Announcements & Upcoming Events

THE CHOSEN: We are watching *The Chosen* during the Sunday School hour on the 3rd floor in the youth rooms. This is open for all ages to join us. The first season is rated TVPG.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: Your balance is due now. Thank you.

BASKETBALL PLAYERS: We will be acknowledging our basketball player during the service on 2/9. If your child played this year, please be here so that they can be recognized.

SOUPER BOWL LUNCH: We will be hosting a Souper Bowl lunch on 2/9 directly after the service. Please plan to attend as all donations received will go toward summer camp and retreats for our children and youth.