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# Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 8, 2021

Rev. Michael Goldston 864-235-3494 - saintpaulumc1107@gmail.com Live-streaming Worship Service at 11:00am at <u>www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/</u>

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Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr. Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell Sexton: Gary Putnam Youth Minister: Rachael Cline

#### <u>Staff</u>

Please silence and turn off Wi-Fi on your mobile device to ensure we have the bandwidth to livestream today's service. Thank you.

\*Please stand as you are able.

<u>Gathering</u>

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude"Something for Thee"Whitworth\*Processional Hymn"Crown Him with Many Crowns"Hymnal no.327Lighting of the Candles\*Call to WorshipPsalm 130:5-7Leader: I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;Psalm 130:5-7

**People: my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.** Leader: O Israel, hope in the LORD!

People: For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.

**Opening Prayer** 

Leader: Let us pray

All: Bread of life, you taught us to put away bitterness and anger, and with tenderhearted kindness to share the fruit of our labor with the needy. Strengthen us by your grace, that in communion with you, we may forgive one another and live in love as Christ loved us. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: As a forgiven and reconciled people, let us pass God's peace with each other. The peace of Christ be with you.

#### People: And also with you.

(Please remain in your seat. Make signs of peace to those with you in person and connect with your phone with other live viewers through Facebook "comments.")

Welcome and Announcements

#### Word and Response

Children's Sermon Children will come forward and sit on the dots. Following the children's sermon, we invite our K3 to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade children to follow the designated adult to the Fellowship Hall. Please follow the instructions on the name tag found in the back of your pew. The children will watch a video while socially distant and wearing masks. 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.

RCL prayers

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, your word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path. Open your servant's mouth to speak your word, open our hearts and minds to your light, and move our feet to your path. Amen.

\*First Reading John 6:35, 41-51 Leader: The word of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.

\*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

NRSV (pq.92 NT)

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.

Second ScriptureEphesians 4:30-5:2NRSV (pg.1863 NT)Leader: The word of God for the people of God.All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon	"The Smell of Unity"	
Anthem	"Make Me a Servant"	Williams

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.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### Offertory

The gold buckets are for a special offering for Empowering Haitians. 100% of funds given will feed hungry Haitian children. Giving Links: PayPal - <u>https://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=Y9NV28ABLG5LW</u>

Realm - https://onrealm.org/StPaulUMC1107/give/now

#### The Doxology

Hymnal No. 95

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

<u>Sending</u>

\*Closing Hymn

"Wonderful Words of Life"

Hymnal no.600

\*Benediction

(As you leave, please respect the social distancing needs of others.)

Postlude

#### "Choral"

Brethren

Our Tithes, Offerings,	and	Gifts
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Giving for 08/01/2021	Amount	Attendance			
General Fund (e-giving):	\$2,380.00	08/01/2021			
Processing fees:	\$24.80	In-person: 38			
Total for 08/01/2021:	\$2,404.80	Live-streaming households: 8			
		*Viewers reached: 90			

\*"Live-streaming households" is the number of screens tuned in during the live broadcast on Sunday. "Viewers" are the number of screens that watched the service for at least 3 seconds throughout the week.

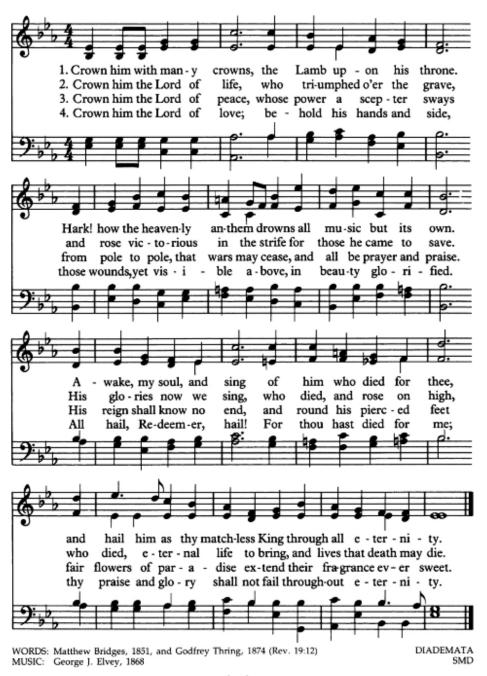
**Worship Bags** are available for children K3-2<sup>nd</sup> grade on the bench in the narthex. Look for your name or grab an unlabeled bag. They contain fun items and reusable stickers so the Bible story can be retold over and over. You may return them to the narthex as you leave or leave in your seat. Hope everyone enjoys their bag.

#### **Today's Servers:**

Lay Leader: Eugenia VicarsReader: Catherine GilstrapCounters: Debbie Goodwin & Edna PattersonAcolyte: Anna CheshireMedia: Mary Anne TerminatoCrucifer: John TateAudio: Davis LupoUshers: Rebecca Roper, Edna PattersonProjector: Collins CheshireJeannine Cox

CHRIST'S GRACIOUS LIFE

# 327 Crown Him with Many Crowns



RESURRECTION AND EXALTATION, see further:

636 Christian People, Raise Your Song 715, 716 Rejoice, the Lord Is King 177 He Is Lord



## **Important Dates to Remember**

Current week: Mon, 8/9 Tues, 8/10 Wed, 8/11 Thurs, 8/12	<ul> <li>Hinton worship service planning meetir</li> <li>Family Group Discipleship: Zoom</li> <li>Youth Council Meeting: St. Paul/Zoom</li> <li>Bible Study: Zoom</li> </ul>	8:30pm
Upcoming events:		
Sun, 8/15	Blessing of backpacks and devices	11:00am
Mon, 8/16	Office Closed Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 8/17	Church Council meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Thurs, 8/19	Fellowship Luncheon: Copper River Gril 11:30am	
Fri, 8/20	Saint Paul Movie Night	8:15pm
Sun, 8/22	Salt Class Pool Party: Edna Patterson's	
Sun, 8/29	End of Summer Bash: Discovery Island	2:15pm

#### From Pastor Michael

(You can always reach me at 864-979-2435 or megoldston@umcsc.org)



**Family Group Discipleship:** We will join together on 8/10 via Zoom at 8:30pm. In this small group ministry, we seek to walk together following Jesus.



**Bible study** will continue our study of the book of Acts of the Apostles. Our next Bible Study will be on 8/12; we will meet every Thursday after that at 7pm.

**Office Hours:** We are open from 8:30am until 1:30pm Monday through Friday. I am always available at the above contact info and Melissa is available through the church email and phone. **The office will be closed on 8/16.** 



Join us for **in-person worship** this Sunday at 11am. Please sign up using this link:

https://forms.gle/KKHMWBTa1Ptk2HZs7. You can also

sign up by clicking on the picture in the Weekly Update or by going to our website. Please remember we will be following our safety protocols below.

Share our live-stream on your Facebook page.

Take five minutes and write us a **review**! Facebook or Google

#### Saint Paul Cares

**Happy Birthday:** Kayla Davis, 8/9; Adam Boone, 8/10; Peggy Whitmire, JL Crnobrnja, 8/12; Jeannine Cox, 8/14; Kit Matiz, Ellie Roberts, 8/15

Happy Anniversary: There are no anniversaries this week.

# In your prayers, please remember:

Abbie Barnette, Roger Barrett, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Tom Boykin, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, **Ray & Jere Byington**, Cheyanne Cantwell, Connie Cox, Harriet Cox, Eleanor Cunningham, Natalie Davis, Jim Fayssoux, Sherre Forrester, Stephen Foster, family of Ruth Gentry, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Lisa Harbin, Carol Head, **Pam Head**, Dawn Hollingsworth, Sue Howard, **Boone Hoyt and family**, Lee Jenkinson, Victor Jenkinson, Larry Jones, Jean Jones, Tinsley Lyles, Crystal McCoy, Karsyn Miller, Mackenzie Murphy, Marie Phillips, Pam Putnam, Ronnie Quinn, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Joyce Searcy, Mary Lee Shirley, Nancy Smith, *Suzanne Sprinkle*, Carolyn Warlick, Allyssa Whech, Joe Whitmire, Sharon Williams, 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)

Missions: Salkehatchie, Empowering Haitians, Interfaith Hospitality Network, Legacy Elementary, Hinton Center

Praise be given: Connie Loftis

# **Announcements & Upcoming Events**

Trustee of the Month is Jason Cheshire.



Come lift your voices in song! The **Choir** has resumed rehearsing on Sundays at 9:30am. If you are vaccinated, feel comfortable singing with a group, and are ready to sing in the choir, join us. We will not be wearing masks.



Join us Sunday, August 15, as we celebrate the start of a new school year. We will have our **Blessing of Backpacks and Devices** that children, youth, and teachers will use in the 2021-2022 school year. Each student will receive a tag for their

backpack and a family devotion kit to use the night before school begins.

The next **Fellowship Luncheon** will be on 8/19 at 11:30am at Copper River Grill located at 775 Haywood Road in Greenville. Come out and share some laughter, fellowship, and good food during your lunch break.



Join us on Friday, August 20, at 8:15pm for **Family Movie Night**. We will be gathering in the parking area outside the church for a night of fun! Bring your chairs, bring your drinks and snacks, and come enjoy *Moana* with us! Register at: https://forms.gle/BNb71h6K3LMfrBqK8

The **SALT Class** will gather on 8/22 at 12:30pm at the home of Edna Patterson for a pool party. For more information, please contact Edna at <u>ednapatterson04@gmail.com</u>.



We will have Summer Sunday School on August 22. Classes for Elementary age, youth and adults will meet 10:15-10:45 am. The Elementary age class will meet in the Fellowship Hall. The Youth Class will meet in the Youth Room. Adults will gather at Crafty Cats on South

Main Street for a time of fellowship, reconnecting and a devotion. Hope you will plan to join a class if you are in town.



**Upcoming Meetings** 

**Hinton Youth:** The Youth that attended Hinton will be meeting with Pastor Michael on 8/9 at 6pm to discuss their upcoming Worship service. Participants are Chelsea

Biggers, Lillie Becker, Collins Cheshire, William Pool, and Pastor Michael.



**Youth Council Meeting:** Will be meeting on 8/11 at 7pm at Saint Paul. Zoom will also be available. Members from Saint Paul are Edna Patterson, Rebecca Roper, Jason Cheshire, William Pool, Rachael Cline, and Charlie Forrester.



**Finance Committee:** Will be meeting on 8/16 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobeloch, Melissa Campbell, Donna Connelly, Tommy Head, Suzanne Sprinkle, Eugenia Vicars, Lori Cheshire, John Tate, and Pastor Michael. All

are welcome!



**Church Council:** Will be meeting on 8/17 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Lori Cheshire, Tracey Biggers, Chelsea Biggers, Heather Storey, Chris Cox, Janet Cook, Peggy Whitmire, Eugenia Vicars, David Knobeloch, Becky Hollifield, John Tate,

John Sprinkle, Carol Head, Edna Patterson, Davis Lupo, Taunja Pool, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Elaine Byers, Mary Anne Terminato, and Pastor Michael. All are welcome!

# **Opportunities to Serve**

Thank you to all who came out on Sunday to help with Project Host! It was a great day of service, and we appreciate all of your help in making the day a success and getting assistance and hygiene bags to those in need.

**Thank you to all who helped with Children's Day!** We appreciate your coming out to make this day special for the children of Saint Paul, and we appreciate your staying to help pack the hygiene bags for Project Host. We could not have done it without you.



We are still collecting food items for **Legacy Food Backpacks**. Please drop off any donations in the shopping cart located in the narthex. If you need more information, please contact the office or Edna Patterson at <u>ednapatterson04@gmail.com</u>. Thank you!

**Empowering Haitians:** Anna and Michael have postponed their mission trip to Cap Haitian, Haiti to serve alongside the Haitian people. When they are able to reschedule, Anna will be providing dental care. There are opportunities to assist with the clinic, work on a construction project, create vacation Bible school for Haitian children, and learn about Haitian people and culture. If you are vaccinated and interested in learning more for 2022, please let us know. Please support us through prayer and through gifts to the church marked for Empowering Haitians. All gifts will go 100% to feeding hungry children.

Let someone know about our free wi-fi hotspot for e-learning!

Network: St. Paul Guest

Password: Guest

## Sunday Worship Safety Protocols

We are in person and live-streaming our Sunday Worship Service on Facebook on our page: Saint Paul UMC (Greenville, SC). Join us at 11am as we give praise to our Lord.

We have updated the Safety Protocols as follows:

1. Please continue to wear masks when entering and leaving the sanctuary. While you are seated, masks are not required for those who have been vaccinated. Kids do not have to wear a mask while in the pews, but they will be required to have them when they go down front and in Children's Worship. If you have not been vaccinated, please continue to wear your mask.

2. During this transition, we will be keeping the pew seating as is, for the time being.

3. We are going to have regular bulletins available.

4. The Chancel Choir is restarting for vaccinated singers. We will only be practicing on Sundays, for the time being. Choir members will not be wearing masks when singing.

5. We are going to discontinue temperature checks.

6. Pre-registration continues to be necessary for contact tracing. As always, we will not turn away someone who has not registered. There are blank spaces on the check-off form to enter their name, number attending, and contact details.

7. We will resume congregational singing of hymns with the hymn books; however, we have decided to keep the projector, for now.8. Please continue to respect other people's personal space, as comfort

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9. Please self-screen for symptoms or close contact with a known positive case and worship from home if you have them.

10. If you test positive and determine that you were contagious when you attended worship, please let the office know.



# Encouraging notes for our students

As our students begin to prepare for the 2021-2022 school year let's show them our support and encouragement. Select one or more addressed and stamped post cards. Write a note of encouragement or scripture to the student the card is addressed to. Then mail the post card so it will arrive the week of August 15. This is the week the students will begin the new school year. Continue to pray for the student or students you sent cards to during the school year. Thank you for supporting this project and supporting our students. Cards will be available starting Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>.



The children, youth and their families are invited to celebrate at

Discovery Island Waterpark Sunday, August 29, 2021 2:15 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.

Please register by August 25, 2021 https://forms.gle/yvCFhhHM7NakTqiN9

You are welcome to invite a friend. They will need to fill out an Activity Participation Form

Discovery Island is located at 417 Baldwin Road Simpsonville, SC Please go to https://waterparks.greenvillerec.com/discovery-island/ and read their policies and guidelines.