

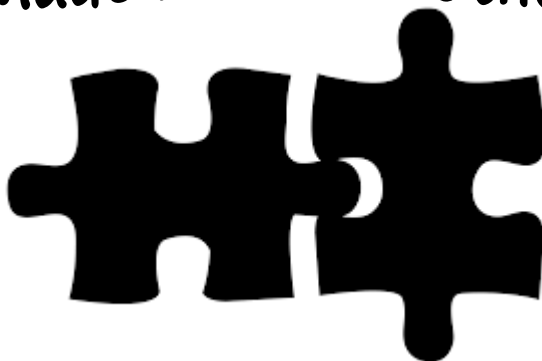


# SAINT PAUL

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

### Made For Each Other



**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 5, 2021**

Rev. Michael Goldston

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Live-streaming Worship Service at 11:00am at [www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/](https://www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/)

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

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.

## Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach

\*Processional Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" Hymnal no.545

Lighting of the Candles

\*Call to Worship Psalm 146:7-10 (mod.)

Leader: Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them?

**People: The Lord our God!**

Leader: Who keeps faith forever?

**People: The Lord our God!**

Leader: Who executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry?

**People: The Lord our God!**

Leader: Who sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind?

**People: The Lord our God!**

Leader: Who lifts up those who are bowed down and watches over the strangers?

**People: The Lord our God!**

Leader: Who will reign forever?

**All: The Lord our God! Praise the Lord!**

Opening Prayer of Confession

Leader: Let us pray

**All: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Silence for personal prayer.)**

Leader: Hear the Good News, Christ died for us when we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

**All: Glory to God! 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.**

(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, the children will return to their parents in the pews.

### Prayer for Illumination

**Three-in-one God, open our ears to hear your word and draw us closer to you, that the whole world may be one with you as you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*First Reading Luke 4:16-21 NRSV (pg.57 NT)

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

**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 Scripture Psalm 146 NRSV (pg.549 OT)

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Series "Made For Each Other"

Part 1 "Safe Space"

Anthem "We Gather for Communion" Johnson

## 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.**

Mission Moment Susan G. Komen

## Offertory

Giving Links:

PayPal - <https://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=Y9NV28ABLG5LW>

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

## \*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.**

## Sacrament of Holy Communion

### Invitation

This is the Lord's Table. Everyone seeking the grace of God in Jesus Christ is invited to participate.

### The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Pastor praises the Father)...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn!

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

(Pastor praises the Son)... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again**

(Pastor praises the Holy Spirit)

**Amen.**

### 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.**

**\*Giving the Bread and Cup**

This is the Lord's Table. Everyone seeking the grace of God in Jesus Christ is invited to participate. The ushers will bring around the communion trays to serve you in your seats. Hold your cups until directed by the Pastor. We will first eat the wafers, then drink the juice all together at the same time. Gluten-free wafers are available in the middle of each tray.

**Closing Prayer**

Sending

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

**\*Benediction**

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

Postlude "Sleeper's Awake!" Bach

**Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts**

<b>Giving for 08/29/2021</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
General Fund	\$4,171.00	08/29/2021
Legacy fund	\$90.05	In-person:26
Processing fees	\$30.77	Streaming households:27
<b>Total for 08/29/2021:</b>	<b>\$4,291.82</b>	*Viewers reached:112

\*"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.

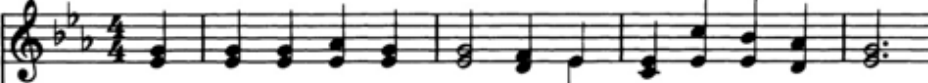
During August, we collected \$588.10 for our **Legacy fund!** Thank you for your generous giving.

**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 Vicars	Reader: Mary Grace Goldston
Counters: Debbie Goodwin & Edna Patterson	Acolyte: Mary Grace Goldston
Media: Mary Anne Terminato	Crucifer: John Tate
Audio: Davis Lupo	Ushers: The Gamble family
Projector: Collins Cheshire	The Storey family
	The Pool family


## 545 The Church's One Foundation




1. The church's one founda - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
 2. E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth;  
 3. Though with a scorn - ful won - der we see her sore op - pressed,  
 4. Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,  
 5. Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God the Three in One,




she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the Word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.



From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
 one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up, "How long?"  
 till, with the vi - sion glo - rious, her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.



## 616 Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

1. Come, sin - ners, to the gos - pel feast, let ev - ery  
 2. Do not be - gin to make ex - cuse; ah! do not  
 3. Come and par - take the gos - pel feast, be saved from  
 4. See him set forth be - fore your eyes; be - hold the  
 5. Ye who be - lieve his rec - ord true shall sup with

soul be Je - sus' guest. Ye need not one be  
 you his grace re - fuse; your world - ly cares and  
 sin, in Je - sus rest; O taste the good - ness  
 bleed - ing sac - ri - fice; his of - fered love make  
 him and he with you; come to the feast, be

left be - hind, for God hath bid all hu - man - kind.  
 plea - sures leave, and take what Je - sus hath to give.  
 of our God, and eat his flesh and drink his blood.  
 haste to em - brace, and free - ly now be saved by grace.  
 saved from sin, for Je - sus waits to take you in.

## Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Mon, 9/6 Office Closed: Labor Day  
Tues, 9/7 Legacy Bag Packing: Social Hall 9:00am  
RESCHEDULED: Family Group Discipleship  
Thurs, 9/9 CANCELLED: Bible Study

Upcoming events:

Sun, 9/12 Grandparent's Day In worship  
Mon, 9/13 Join Pastor Michael at Project Host 9:00am  
S/PPRC meeting: Zoom 8:00pm  
Tues, 9/14 Trustees meeting: Zoom 8:00pm  
Family Group Discipleship: Zoom 8:30pm  
Thurs, 9/16 Fellowship Luncheon: Copper River Grill  
11:30am  
Sun, 9/19 Joint Youth Group: Saint Paul 7:00pm  
Mon, 9/20 Finance Committee meeting: Zoom 8:00pm  
Sun, 9/26 Pumpkin Patch set-up: Northside UMC 12:15pm  
Mon, 9/27 Church Council meeting: Zoom 8:00pm  
Tues, 9/28 Women's Community: Zoom 8:00pm  
Sun, 10/3 Rev. Cathy Joens Healthy Conversations:  
12:00pm  
Saint Paul  
Sun, 10/24 Youth Contemporary Worship: Northside 7:00pm

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### From Pastor Michael

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

I have been invited to be a part of a design team for the new Confirmation Retreat for the WNC and SC conferences. We have a planning retreat next week, so I will be out of the office at the Hinton Center on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9/7-9/8.



**Family Group Discipleship:** We will join together on 9/14 and 9/21 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 every Thursday at 7pm. **We will not be meeting on 9/9.**





**Project Host:** I am restarting my service day at Project Host in September. If you would like to join me, go to <https://www.projecthost.org/> and sign up to volunteer. I will be there on 9/13, 10/4, 11/1, and 12/6 from 9am to 1pm.

**Office Hours:** We are open from 8:30am until 1:30pm Monday through Friday. I am available at the above contact info and Melissa is available through the church email and phone. **The office will be closed on 9/6.**

[Share our live-stream on your Facebook page.](#)

Take five minutes and write us a **review!** [Facebook](#) or [Google](#)

**Due to the high level of community transition and changing guidance of the CDC, we have updated our safety protocol, below.**



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

## **Sunday Worship Safety Protocols**

1. **Cloth or surgical face masks** covering the nose and mouth will be **required** inside the building throughout the worship service for everyone age 3 and older, even if you've had the vaccine.
  2. Please maintain social distancing throughout the time you are in the building and in the pews.
  3. Pre-registration continues to be necessary for contact tracing. 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. If you do not pre-register, please register with the usher when you enter.
  4. Please self-screen for symptoms or close contact with a known positive case and worship from home if you have them.
  5. If you test positive and determine that you were contagious when you attended worship, please let the office know so we may notify close contacts.
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## Saint Paul Cares

**Happy Birthday:** Becky Smith, 9/7; Richard Bostic, Dean Feaster, 9/10; Fowler Roper, 9/11; Charmaine Pool, 9/12

**Happy Anniversary:** There are no anniversaries to celebrate this week.

### **In your prayers, please remember:**

Abbie Barnette, Roger Barrett, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Tom Boykin, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, Jere Byington, **Chastity Campbell**, Cheyanne Cantwell, Connie Cox, **family of Harriet Cox**, Eleanor Cunningham, Natalie Davis, Jim Fayssoux, Sherre Forrester, Stephen Foster, 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: Rachael Cline, Michael Goldston, William Pool all recovered and healthy

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## **Announcements & Upcoming Events**

**Trustee of the Month** is Jason Cheshire for August and Jimmie-Lou Vaughn for September.



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 have resumed wearing masks.**



The next **Fellowship Luncheon** will be on 9/16 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.



**Youth Group** will be gathering on 9/19 at 7pm at Saint Paul. Please contact Rachael Cline for more information.



The **Women's Community** will be gathering together via Zoom on 9/28 at 8pm. Please watch your email for the announcement with the Zoom link. Join the ladies of Saint Paul for a night of fellowship, spiritual growth, and laughter.



Coming back this November...**Parent's Night Out.** Watch your bulletin for details closer to time.

**Rev. Cathy Joens** will be joining us after worship on Sunday, 10/3, for a class on "Healthy Conversations." Please watch the bulletin for more on this event.



The Joint Youth Group will be hosting a **Youth Contemporary Worship Service** at Northside UMC on Sunday, 10/24, at 7pm. Let's all go support our youth as they grow spiritually.

### Upcoming Meetings



**S/PPRC:** Will be meeting on 9/13 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are John Tate, Davis Lupo, Jim Storey, Katie Knobloch, Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Eugenia Vicars, and Pastor Michael. This is a closed meeting.



**Trustees:** Will be meeting on 9/14 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are John Sprinkle, Whitney Feaster, Ed Pool, Jason Cheshire, John Smith, and Jimmie-Lou Vaughn. All are welcome!



**Finance Committee:** Will be meeting on 9/20 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobloch, 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 9/27 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Lori Cheshire, Tracey Biggers, Chelsea Biggers, Heather Storey, Chris Cox, Janet Cook, Peggy Whitmire, Eugenia Vicars, David Knobloch, 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



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 [ednapatterson04@gmail.com](mailto:ednapatterson04@gmail.com). Thank you!

**We will be packing bags on 9/7 at 9am in the social hall. Please wear your mask. Social distancing will be observed.**



Come out on 9/26 to Northside UMC to help set-up the **Pumpkin Patch** directly after worship services. There will be a sign-up sheet coming out soon for those youth wishing to volunteer to sell pumpkins. See you there! All proceeds from the Pumpkin Patch will support youth summer mission trips.



We will be collecting money in the pink buckets this month for **Susan G. Komen/Breast Cancer Awareness**. Please give generously for this mission. We will be supporting "Betty's Bunch" in the walk. For more information go to <https://www.komen.org/>.

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

Network: St. Paul Guest

Password: Guest

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## **Sunday School for the Fall Quarter**

At this time, we are planning to start Sunday School back on September 19<sup>th</sup>. Classes will meet in their regular classroom. The Older Elementary Class will be moving back to the Children's Wing and will be in the small room

off of the Kindergarten/First Grade Classroom.

Classes will meet two Sundays in October and two Sundays in November. We will reevaluate things for the Winter Quarter and determine if we will continue with two Sundays a month or will be able to return to meeting every week.

We will continue to monitor the COVID numbers and make adjustments as needed. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Eugenia Vicars, Sunday School Superintendent.

Dates for Sunday School in the Fall Quarter will be:

September 19<sup>th</sup>

October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>

November 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>

## **Children's Worship News**

Starting in September, Children's Worship will not be held on the first Sunday of the month. Children's Worship will continue to be held on the second through the fourth Sundays and the fifth Sunday, if the month has five Sundays. We will resume Children's Worship being held upstairs in the Kindergarten/First Grade room.



The changes were made because we are having trouble with volunteers being able to commit right now. Also, with Communion being the first Sunday, the time for

Children's Worship was shorter and the volunteers were having trouble completing a lesson and activity and having the children ready to come back into the sanctuary.

We will continue to monitor the COVID numbers and make adjustments as needed.

Thank you for being understanding of these changes as we continue to navigate our way through these concerning times. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Eugenia Vicars, Children's Coordinator.