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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 19, 2021

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

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Staff
Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.
Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Lnurch 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 "Thy Holy Wings" Kerr

*Processional Hymn "O Worship the King" Hymnal no.73 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 Leader: Let us pray Latin, 9th c., trans. Westendorf

All: Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found. Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound. With grateful joy and holy fear true charity we learn; let us with heart and mind and strength now love Christ in return. Love can exclude no race or creed if honored by God's name; our common life embraces all whose Maker is the same. Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son. As members of his body joined, we are in him made one. 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.")

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 2nd grade children to follow the designated adult upstairs. Please follow the instructions on the name tag found in the back of your pew. The children will have a lesson and craft 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.

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 Romans 15:5-7 NIV (pg.153 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 John 8:2-10 NRSV (pg.94 NT)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series "Made For Each Other"
Part 3 "Radical Acceptance"

Anthem "For the Beauty of the Earth" Schram

Chancel Choir

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.

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.

Sending

*Closing Hymn "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" Hymnal no.365

*Benediction

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

Postlude "Purer in Heart" Ritter

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 09/12/2021	Amount	Attendance	
General Fund	\$784.00	09/12/2021	
Legacy fund	\$425.00	In-person: 38	
Race for the Cure	\$95.00	Streaming households:	
Empowering Haitians	\$50.00	*Viewers reached:	
Missions	\$500.00		
Memorials & Honorariums	\$50.00		
Other	\$117.57		
Processing fees	\$0.27		
Total for 09/12/2021	\$2,018.84		

^{*&}quot;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.

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of John Reddick's mother by Ed & Mary Pool.

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Worship Bags are available for children K3-2nd 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

Counters: Debbie Goodwin & Edna Patterson

Media: Mary Anne Terminato

Audio: Davis Lupo

Projector: Collins Cheshire

Reader: Charlie Stephens Acolyte: Henry Stephens Crucifer: Charlie Stephens Ushers: The Gamble family

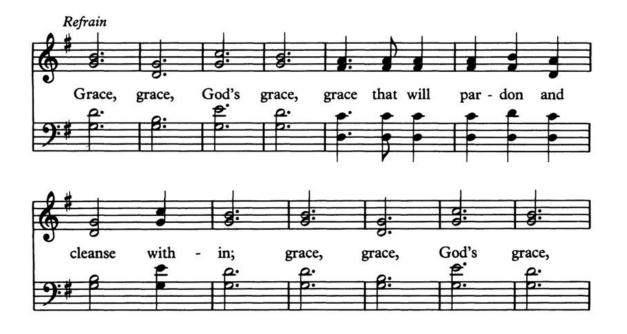
The Storey family



WORDS: Robert Grant, 1833 (Ps. 104) MUSIC: Attr. to Johann Michael Haydn; arr. by William Gardiner, 1815

365 Grace Greater than Our Sin







WORDS: Julia H. Johnston, 1911 (Rom. 5:20)

MUSIC: Daniel B. Townere, 1910

MOODY 99.99 with Refrain

Important Dates to Remember

Current week:			
Sun, 9/19	Chancel Choir rehearsal	9:30am	
	Sunday School	10:15am	
	Joint Youth Group Spaghetti Supper And gathering: Saint Paul	6:30pm	
Mon, 9/20	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm	
Tues, 9/21	Legacy Bag Packing: Social Hall	9:00am	
	Family Group Discipleship: Zoom	8:30pm	
Thurs, 9/23	Bible Study: Zoom	8:15pm	
Upcoming events:			
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	
Sat, 10/2	West End Neighborhood Block Party 200 block of Perry Avenue	2-5:00pm	
Sun, 10/3	Wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness		
	Rev. Cathy Joens:	12:00pm	
	Healthy Conversations: Saint Paul		
	Blessing of the Animals: Saint Paul	4:00pm	
	Joint Youth Group: Saint Paul	7:00pm	
Sun, 10/10	Youth Hinton Mission Trip Celebration In worship		
Sun, 10/24	Youth Contemporary Worship: Northside 7:00pm		
Tues, 10/26	Charge Conference	7:00pm	

From Pastor Michael

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



Family Group Discipleship: We will join together on 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 8:15pm.



1pm.

Project Host: If you would like to join me in service to the hungry in our community, go to https://www.projecthost.org/ and sign up to volunteer on 10/4, 11/1, and 12/6 from 9am to

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.

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.

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Nic Matiz, 9/19; David Knobeloch, Diane Robertson, 9/20; Lauren Hamilton, 9/21; Maddie Boone, 9/22; Lee Newman, 9/24; Jean Jones, 9/25

Happy Anniversary: Bob & Kathy Weathers will be celebrating 51 years on 9/19. Congratulations!

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, Catherine Gilstrap, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Lisa Harbin, Carol Head, **family of 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:

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Trustee of the Month is Jimmie-Lou Vaughn.



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**.



Youth Group will be gathering on 9/19 at 6:30pm at Saint Paul in the Social Hall for a spaghetti supper. 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.



Wear your pink for the service on 10/3 in support of Breast Cancer Awareness.



The youth that attending Hinton this year will be sharing their experience with us on 10/10 in the worship service. Please join us for Youth Mission Trip Celebration.



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



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 9/20 at 8pm via Zoom. Becky Hollifield, David Knobeloch, Members are Campbell, Donna Connelly, Tommy Head, Suzanne Sprinkle, Eugenia Vicars, Lori Cheshire, John Tate, and Pastor Michael. We will be discussing the budget for 2022. All are welcome!

Church Council

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 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



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. Thank you!

We will be packing bags on 9/21 at 9am in the social hall. Please wear your mask!



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/.

Legacy Clothes Closet is in desperate need of clothing for children in need. If you would be willing to donate or purchase clothing, please contact the office at 864-235-3494 or saintpaulumc1107@gmail.com. Thank you!



The West End will be having a **Neighborhood Block Party** on 9/2 from 2-5pm in the 200 block of Perry Avenue. If you are interested in helping with a Saint Paul table, please contact the office.

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

Network: St. Paul Guest Password: Guest



Sunday School for the Fall Quarter

At this time, we are planning to start Sunday School back on September 19th. Classes will meeting 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. The youth will meet in the Fellowship Hall on 9/19.

Classes will meet two Sundays in October and two Sundays in November at 10:15 – 10:45am. 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 19th October 3rd and 17th November 7th and 21st

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.

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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.