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SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

in Greenville's West End

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Live-streaming Worship Service at 11:00am at www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/

October 2021 Newsletter

From Pastor Michael

"In my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel." – 2 Corinthians 9:18

I've been hearing a lot about rights lately. In our politics again this week, both sides risk consequences that both know will be harmful to our country to stand on what they think is right. The arguments in our community over masking revolve around individual rights. Even in our Christianity, in the national conversations in our denomination, and even in our own church. People would rather protect their rights than make the compromises that relationship demands.

Contrast this with how the apostle Paul operates. Again and again, on issue after issue, Paul teaches what is right and then gives up his individual rights to do what is best for the community. In 1 Corinthians, he wishes everyone could remain unmarried and celibate, but he makes allowances for those who can't. In Romans he teaches that Christians can eat meat sacrificed to idols (which for most Christians in Rome would mean all meat), but also teaches that they should not do so if the action will cause another person to be confused and to sin against their own conscience. It's a confusing thing for many of us who have grown up in churches that taught that compromise is the first step on the path to hell. Much like the Jewish community from the exile to the time of Paul, any compromise with the surrounding society was viewed courting cultural impurity and the beginning of the end of Jewish identity.

Then Jesus came, teaching and even demanding that the identity of God's people rested on how well we love our neighbors. Not our zealous adherence to one idea of righteousness, not how well we followed a law, but how well we love each other. Jesus' is still a radical idea. It was radical when Paul preached to give up individual rights to eat meat for the community, even more when he gave up his own income. To follow Paul in following Jesus, where can we give up our individual rights to do what is best for the community, both in the church and in our larger neighborhoods?

Grace and peace,
Pastor Michael

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

Our Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.

Sexton: Gary Putnam

Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Youth Minister: Rachael Cline



Family Group Discipleship: We will gather on 10/5 and 10/19 at 8:30 pm via Zoom. The time will strengthen our bonds to our church family and to Jesus Christ. If you are interested, please contact me.



Bible study will continue our study of the book of Acts of the Apostles. We will meet every Thursday at 8:15pm. **We will not be meeting on 10/7.**



Noon Prayer: Join me or Eugenia for Noon Prayer Monday-Friday on Facebook Live. Log onto Facebook and go to the Saint Paul (Greenville) page.



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.



Project Host: I am cooking and serving lunch on 10/11, 11/1, and 12/6 from 9am to 1pm. If you would like to join me, go to <https://www.projecthost.org/> and sign up to volunteer.

REVIEW US!

Do not forget to write a **review** for Saint Paul on Google or Facebook. Let's spread the word about our worship and family.

WI-FI HOTSPOT

Our wi-fi is open to our community for e-learning.
Network: St. Paul Guest ● Password: Guest

In your prayers, please remember:

Abbie Barnette, Roger Barrett, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Tom Boykin, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, **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**, **Aimee Hills**, Dawn Hollingsworth, Sue Howard, Boone Hoyt and family, Lee Jenkinson, Victor Jenkinson, **Larry & Jodi Johnson**, Larry Jones, Jean Jones, Tinsley Lyles, Crystal McCoy, Karsyn Miller, Mackenzie Murphy, **Kenneth & Jan Osborne**, 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: Jere Byington

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. **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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OCTOBER MISSIONS



Legacy Bag packing has resumed. Please watch your weekly bulletin for dates. Please wear your mask. Social distancing will be observed. There is a shopping cart in the narthex where you can donate food goods for this school year. Please see the list further in the newsletter. For any questions, please contact Edna Patterson at ednapatterson04@gmail.com.



Come out to the **Pumpkin Patch** at Northside UMC to purchase your pumpkins and support our joint youth summer mission trips. The pumpkin patch will be running from September 27th through October 30th. The hours are Monday through Friday from 2 – 6pm and Saturday from 9 – 1pm. They accept cash, check, or you can pay online using the QR code at the table.



We will be collecting all through the year for the **Hygiene Bags**. See a two for one sale? Went on vacation and brought home the hotel amenities? Please feel free to drop off any donations at the office or in the drop box located in the narthex. For examples of what we need, please see the display in the narthex. Thank you for supporting Project Host!



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! We will be collecting money to purchase clothes during the month of October.



If you are interested in purchasing gifts for a **Legacy** child this year or partnering with others to do so, please let Edna Patterson or the office know as soon as possible. We will be doing this a little differently this year, so as

soon as we have a count of people participating, we can let the school know how many children we can help. Let's make Christmas even more special for these children in need. Let someone know about our **free wi-fi hotspot** for e-learning!

Network: St. Paul Guest Password: Guest

Happenings At-A-Glance

Sat, 10/2	Neighborhood Block Party: 200 Block of Perry	2-5:00pm
Sun, 10/3	Wear pink!	
	Sunday School	10:15am
	Rev. Cathy Joens Class: Healthy Conversations	12:00pm
	Blessing of the Animals: Saint Paul	4:00pm
	Joint youth Group: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Tues, 10/5	Family Group Discipleship: Zoom	8:30pm
Wed, 10/6	Adult Sunday School Meeting: Saint Paul/Zoom	6:30pm
Sun, 10/10	Hinton Youth Worship Service	
	Joint Youth Group Bible Study: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Mon, 10/11	Pastor Michael at Project Host	9:00am – 1:00pm
	S/PPRC Meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 10/12	Trustees Meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Thurs, 10/14	The Golden Girls Lunch & Bible Study: Mary Pool's	11:30am
Fri, 10/15	Office Closed	
	Joint Youth Group Bowling: Wade Hampton Lanes	7:00pm
Sun, 10/17	Sunday School	10:15am
	Joint Youth Group: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Mon, 10/18	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 10/19	Family Group Discipleship: Zoom	8:30pm
Thurs, 10/21	Fellowship Luncheon: Jasmine Kitchen	11:30am
Sun, 10/24	Joint Youth Worship Service: Northside UMC	7:00pm
Tues, 10/26	Charge Conference: Saint Paul	7:00pm

The **Chancel Choir** has resumed rehearsals on Sundays at 9:30am. There is still no Wednesday night rehearsals. Come join the choir!

Bible Study meets every Thursday evening of the month via Zoom at 8:15pm. We will not be meeting on 10/7.

Looking Forward

Mon, 11/1	Church Council Meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Sun, 11/7	Daylight Savings Time Ends	
	Sunday School	10:15am
Fri, 11/12	Tentative: Parents' Night Out	6:00pm
Sun, 11/21	Sunday School	10:15am
	Bake Sale: Saint Paul	After worship
Mon, 11/22 – 11/24	Office Closed	
Thurs, 11/25	Office Closed: Thanksgiving	
Fri, 11/26	Office Closed	

WE EXTEND HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO:

October 4	Jason Feaster Teresa Ferrell
October 6	Stephen Newman
October 8	Anna Goldston
October 10	Matthew Pool
October 14	Robert Terminato
October 16	Davis Lupo Kathy Weathers
October 19	Tatyana Brannon
October 21	Heather Boone
October 23	Dick Davis
October 27	Charlie Robertson
October 29	Gary Putnam
October 30	Lori Cheshire
October 31	Benjamin Pool



WE EXTEND ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS TO:

September 26	Van & Fran Clinkscales – 57 years
October 9	Charlie & Diane Robertston – 17 years
October 21	Buddy & Pat Tompkins – 49 years
October 27	Brian & Tennille Crnobrnja – 9 years
October 28	John & Becky Smith – 53 years





Sunday School for the Fall Quarter

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 October 3rd, 17th, and November 7th, 21st. 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.

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.





Youth News

There are lots of upcoming activities for our youth. Please mark your calendars! Meetings are bi-weekly on Sunday nights and Wednesday nights from 7:00 – 8:00pm. Sunday night meetings are starting at Saint Paul in September and will alternate between Saint Paul and Northside every 2 months. Wednesday night meeting locations are still to be determined.

Youth Contemporary Worship Service will be at Northside UMC on Sunday, 10/24, at 7pm. There will be a hot dog supper starting at 6pm with a bonfire and s'mores following the service. Let's all go support our youth as they grow spiritually.

Upcoming Youth Events

October	
3 rd , 10 th , & 17 th	Youth Night at Saint Paul
15 th	Bowling social event – Wade Hampton Lanes
24 th	Youth Worship Service at Northside
All month	Pumpkin Patch fund raising event
November	
5 th	Movie night social event at Northside
7 th , 14 th , & 21 st	Youth Night at Northside
December	
	Gatherings Wednesday & Sunday nights bi-weekly
4 th	Piedmont Day service event
8 th	Christmas Party social event

Worship Leaders

Ushers		Edna Patterson Knobeloch family Roper family
Counters		Edna Patterson Deborah Goodwin
Acolyte	October 3	Anna Cheshire
	October 10	TBD
	October 17	TBD
	October 24	TBD
	October 31	TBD
Crucifer	October 3	Charlie Stephens
	October 10	TBD
	October 17	TBD
	October 24	TBD
	October 31	TBD
Reader	October 3	Henry Stephens
	October 10	TBD
	October 17	TBD
	October 24	TBD
	October 31	TBD
Children's Worship	October 10	TBD
	October 17	TBD
	October 24	TBD
	October 31	TBD
Nursery/Toddler	October 10	TBD
	October 17	TBD
	October 24	TBD
	October 31	TBD
Children's Worship	October 10	Youth Sunday/No Class
	October 17	Donna Connelly
	October 24	Katie Knobeloch
	October 31	TBD
Floater		Not at this time
Hospitality Cart		Not at this time
		Sunday School
Toddlers	October 3	Raina Newman & Heather Storey
	October 17	Diane Roper
Preschool/K5/1st Grade	October 3	Peggy Whitmire & Teresa Ferrell
	October 17	Peggy Whitmire & Teresa Ferrell
Elementary 2nd – 5th Grade	October 3	Donna Connelly
	October 17	Donna Connelly
Youth	October 3	Anna Goldston & Chris Cox
	October 17	Mary Pool & Edna Patterson
Rover	October 3	TBD
	October 17	TBD



Financial Standing

Monthly Goal for September:	\$10,157.70
Total giving for September:	\$8,214.00
Money transfers for September:	\$12,875.00
Expected budget for September:	\$19,738.33
Actual budget expenses for September:	\$15,556.68
Expected Giving Year-to-date:	\$88,990.07
Received Year-to-date:	\$99,640.86
Thank you for your generous giving!	

We are reporting monthly giving compared to a giving goal based on expected annual giving and a 3-year monthly average. We are also reporting year-to-date totals, monthly budgeted totals, and monthly actual expenses. This should give you a more accurate picture of our financial situation.

Thank you! So far, we have been able to purchase 25 pairs of girl's pants, 24 pairs of boy's pants, 2 pairs of girl's shorts, 90 pairs boy's underwear, 188 pairs of girl's underwear, 56 pairs of boy's socks, 64 pairs of girl's socks, 6 pairs of sneakers, 5 boy's undershirts, and 6 girl's training bras all for the **Legacy Clothes Closet**.

We collected \$578.20 for **Race for the Cure**. Thank you for your generous giving!

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

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Harriett Cox, wife of Farrell Cox, by Ed & Mary Pool.

Memorials were given to the glory of God in memory of Pam Head by Edna Patterson and Ed & Mary Pool.

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Ty Childs by John & Suzanne Sprinkle.

An honorarium was given to the glory of God in honor of Edna Patterson and Eugenia Vicars who continue to lead our children in the ways of the church by John & Suzanne Sprinkle.

Thank you to Chris Cox and Matt Pool for installing the television and DVD player mounts upstairs, to Gary Putnam and John Smith for installing the new replacement blinds upstairs, to Steve Vaughn for cleaning the grill in the kitchen, and to Edna Patterson and Debbie Goodwin for cleaning the kitchen. We appreciate all you do to help Saint Paul to be the best place to be!

Trustees Corner

Trustee of the Month: Edward Pool

2021 Trustee Assignments:

Chair	John Sprinkle
Treasurer	John Smith
Vice-Chair	Ed Pool
Grounds	Jason Cheshire
Secretary	Whitney Feaster

Upcoming Events

Important Notice: All upcoming events will be assessed according to government and conference guidelines. Please refer to the weekly updates for more information regarding these events.



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 10/3 with your pet(s) at 4pm under the fir tree for our annual **Blessing of the Animals**.



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 **Golden Girls** will be gathering on 10/14 for lunch and Bible study from 11:30am to 1:30pm at the home of Mary Pool, 216 McDaniel Avenue in Greenville. Please bring a bag lunch. Drinks will be provided. RSVP to the office by 10/11.



Our next **Fellowship Luncheon** will be on 10/24 at 11:30am at Jasmine Kitchen located at 503 Augusta Street in Greenville. Join us for a lunch break of laughter and fellowship!



The **Women's Community** will not be meeting in October due to Charge Conference; however, they will be gathering on 11/3 at 7pm at the home of Lori Cheshire, located at 405 McDonald Street in Greenville. Join the ladies of Saint Paul for a night of fellowship, spiritual growth, and laughter.



Parent's Night Out. If you have not already done so, please respond to the email that went in September regarding interest in re-starting this event.

Upcoming Meetings



Adult Sunday School: Will be meeting on 10/6 at 6:30pm at Saint Paul for dinner to discuss how the class will look and meet in this new pandemic era. Dinner will be provided. There will also be a Zoom option. Please RSVP to the office by 10/4. Members received a mailed invitation.



S/PPRC: Will be meeting on 10/11 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are John Tate, Davis Lupo, Jim Storey, Katie Knobeloch, Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Eugenia Vicars, and Pastor Michael. This is a closed meeting.



Trustees: Will be meeting on 10/12 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 10/18 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 this month for Charge Conference on 10/26, 7 pm in the sanctuary. 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!

From the Office

Office Hours: Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 1:30pm unless otherwise posted.
The office will be closed on 10/13 and 10/15.

The **Church Calendar** is available on our website: saintpaulgreenville.org.

Submissions for the newsletter can be sent in by filling out a submission request form located outside the church office above the mail slots, and returned to the secretary's slot or through email to saintpaulumc1107@gmail.com. Please be as detailed as possible about the event or announcement and be sure to include a date, time, and RSVP information, if needed. Thank you!

Upper Room Devotional: If you need one, please email or call with the size (small or large) and the number you need, and I will get those in the mail to you.



Please wear a cloth face covering.



**Maintain a distance of 6 feet
whenever possible.**



cdc.gov/coronavirus

Get a COVID-19 vaccine



It's SAFE!

\$0.00

It's FREE!



**It will help PROTECT
you and your family!**



**You might get side effects.
But you should FEEL BETTER
in a few days.**



**Get the FIRST
vaccine you can!**



**Keep taking basic prevention steps
when recommended.**

Food Items for Legacy Food Bags

All items should be individual size items.

1. Apple Juice boxes
2. Applesauce cups
3. Beanie-Weenies
4. Campbell's microwavable soup cup
5. Cereal-Individual size boxes
6. Cheez-Its-snack size
7. Chef Boyardee Beefaroni
8. Chef Boyardee Lasagna
9. Chef Boyardee Ravioli
10. Chef Boyardee Spaghetti
11. Goldfish Snack size packages
12. Grits
13. Koo-Aid Pouches
14. Mixed Fruit cups
15. Nutri Grain Bars
16. Oatmeal
17. Peach fruit cups
18. Pineapple fruit cups
19. Pudding cups
20. Ramen Noodles any flavor
21. Teddy Graham -Snack size packages
22. Velveeta Mac n Cheese cups
23. Vienna sausages



If you would like to donate any of these goods to Legacy, please bring them in and place them in either the shopping cart in the narthex, in the Fellowship Hall, or by the door to the Church Office.

Thank you!



**Items Needed for Hygiene Bags for 2022
(Please see the display in the narthex for sizes.)**

Item Needed	Quantity Needed
Shampoo	73 bottles
Soap	67 bottles or bars
Toothbrushes	29
Toothpaste	31 tubes
Dental Floss	92
Conditioner	92 bottles
Lotion	100 bottles
Socks	59 pairs
Band-aids	472 pieces
Wash Cloths	86
Neosporin	100 tubes
Chapstick	80 tubes
Deodorant	48

