



SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



Missiology and the Gospel September 25, 2022

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Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.

Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

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

*Processional Hymn "How Great Thou Art" Hymnal no.77
Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship Matt Maher

Leader: You are not alone, if you are lonely. When you're feeling frail, you're not the only one.

People: We are all the same: in need of mercy, to be forgiven, and be free.

Leader: It's all we have to lean on.

People: But thank God, it's all we need!

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: God, we thank you for those you connect us to. Thank you for the ones that first taught us about your goodness. Thank you for the ones that do life with us, through its ups and downs. Thank you for the ones you send our way, eager to hear and live out the Gospel story. Thank you for creating beautiful connections. 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.")

Mission Moment Breast Cancer Awareness Rebecca Roper

Welcome and Announcements

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.

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Responsive Reading

Psalm 133

UM Hymnal pg.850

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

Acts 2:43-47

NRSV (pg.112 NT)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"SO THAT, Connections"

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

This is the last Sunday that we are collecting dollars for United Ministries in honor of Fowler, Anna, and John David. Let us help them help support our community.

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

"Pass It On"

Hymnal no.572

*Benediction

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

Postlude

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 09/18/2022	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$407.05	09/18/2022
		In-person:60
Total Giving	\$407.05	Online Views: 0

Today's Servers:

Reader: Benjamin Pool

Crucifer: David Pool

Acolyte: Taylor-May Stephens

Children's Worship: Rebecca Roper &

Nursery: Lauren Searcy

TBD

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God! when I in awe-some won - der
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der,
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing,
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion

con - sid - er all the worlds thy hands have made,
 and hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the trees;
 sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
 and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.

I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing thun - der,
 when I look down from loft - y moun - tain gran - deur
 that on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly bear - ing,
 Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o - ra - tion,

thy power through - out the un - i - verse dis - played.
 and hear the brook, and feel the gen - tle breeze;
 he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
 and there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art!

*Authors's original words are "works" and "mighty."

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God to thee;

how great thou art, how great thou art! Then sings my

soul, my Sav-ior God to thee; how great thou art, how great thou art!

WORDS: Stuart K. Hine, 1953
MUSIC: Stuart K. Hine, 1953
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HOW GREAT THOU ART
Irr. with Refrain

Pass It On

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Unison

1. It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire
 2. What a won - drous time is spring, when all the trees are
 3. I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi-ness that

go - ing, and soon all those a - round can
 bud - ding; the birds be - gin to sing, the
 I've found; you can de - pend on him, it

warm up in its glow - ing. That's how it is with
 flow - ers start their bloom - ing. That's how it is with
 mat - ters not where you're bound. I'll shout it from the

God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you spread his love to
 God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you want to sing, it's
 moun - tain - top; I want my world to know; the Lord of love has

ev - ery - one; you want to pass it on.
 fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.
 come to me, I want to pass it on.

WORDS: Kurt Kaiser, 1969
 MUSIC: Kurt Kaiser, 1969

PASS IT ON
 Irr.

Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Sun, 9/25	Pumpkin Patch set up: Northside	12:30pm
	Joint Youth Group Service: Northside	11:00am
Mon, 9/26	Church Council meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 9/27	Women's Community: Newman home	7:00pm
Wed, 9/28	Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Thurs, 9/29	Beacon of Light Milkshake Night: Crazy Mason Milkshake Bar	7:00pm

Upcoming events:

Sun, 10/2	Blessing of the Animals: St Andrews	4:00pm
	Youth Group: Northside	5:30pm
Mon, 10/3	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul & Zoom	7:00pm
Wed, 10/5	Fellowship Dinner: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Sun, 10/9	Youth Group: Northside	5:30pm
Mon, 10/10	S/PPRC meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 10/11	Fellowship Luncheon: The Commons	11:30am
Fri, 10/14	Office Closed	
	Parent's Night Out: Saint Paul	6:00pm

From Pastor Matt

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

Office Hours: We are open from 8:15am until 1:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and 8:00 to 12:30 on Wednesday. I am available at the above contact info and Melissa is available through the church email and phone.

E-vangelism

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

Network: St. Paul Guest Password: Guest

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

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

Sunday Worship Safety Protocols

1. **Cloth or surgical face masks** covering the nose and mouth are **optional** for all times, places, and events. Masks are required for everyone aged 3 and older in the balcony.
 2. "Do unto others what you would have them do to you." This means putting yourself in the shoes of your neighbor, who may be wearing a mask, or may be immune-compromised, or may be unvaccinated; treat each person with the dignity of a child of God to respect their personal space and personal decisions. If you don't personally know someone's needs, give them space in seating and standing.
 3. If you feel sick in any way, please worship from home.
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Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Jean Jones, 9/25; Richard Ball, 9/29; DJ Boone, 9/30;

Happy Anniversary: Van and Fran Clinkscales are celebrating 58 years of marriage on 9/26. Congratulations!

In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, Paul Campbell, Cheyanne Cantwell, Connie Cox, Patsy Crabtree, *Eleanor Cunningham*, Natalie Davis, *Jesse Franks*, Catherine Gilstrap, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Lisa Harbin, Carol Head, Amos Horne, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, Lee Jenkinson, *Carol Johnson*, Jean Jones, Tinsley Lyles, Crystal McCoy, Chuck McLesky, Karsyn Miller, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Joyce Searcy, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, Joe Whitmire, family of Darlene Wooten, 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, Legacy Elementary, Hinton Center

Praise be given:

Upcoming Meetings



Trustees: Will be meeting on 10/03 at 7pm at Saint Paul and via Zoom. Members are Ed Pool, Jason Cheshire, John Smith, Jimmie-Lou Vaughn, Debbie Goodwin, and Chris Cox. All are welcome!



S/PPRC: Will be meeting on 10/10 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Jim Storey, Katie Knobeloch, Donna Connelly, Troy Gamble, Eugenia Vicars, and Pastor Matt. This is a closed meeting.



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 10/17 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobeloch, Melissa Campbell, Donna Connelly, Tommy Head, Eugenia Vicars, Tracey Biggers, Jason Cheshire, and Pastor Matt. All are welcome!



Church Council: Will be meeting on 10/24 at 7pm at Saint Paul. Members are Tracey Biggers, Lori Cheshire, Heather Storey, Janet Cook, Peggy Whitmire, Collins Cheshire, Eugenia Vicars, Ed Pool, Jim Storey, David Knobeloch, Becky Hollifield, Carol Head, Davis Lupo, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Edna Patterson, Elaine Byers, Mary Anne Terminato and Pastor Matt. All are welcome!



Charge Conference: Will be on 10/24 at 7pm at Saint Paul. All Church Council members should plan to attend. All are welcome!

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Name Badges: Please wear your name badge, located on the hooks in the narthex, during August to help Pastor Matt and his family learn our names.



Joint Youth Group: We meet on 9/25 at Northside UMC to join them for their 11:00am service then help set-up and run the Pumpkin Patch.



Women's Community: We will be gathering for an evening of fellowship and spiritual growth on 9/27 at 7pm at the home of Raina Newman, 25 Dahlgren Ave in Greenville.



Beacon of Light Social: The Beacon of Light Sunday School class will be gathering for milkshake night on 7/29 at 7pm at The Crazy Mason Milkshake Bar located at 942 S Main Street (near Fluor Field).



Fellowship Dinner: We are starting back on 10/5 at 5:30pm in the social hall. Please come out for dinner and fellowship as we return to "normal". Please RSVP at: <https://forms.gle/LUnTBHHkNeDtCcQK6>



Fellowship Luncheon: Join us on 10/11 at 11:30am at The Commons located at 147 Welborn Street, Suite B1 in Greenville. Please RSVP at:

<https://forms.gle/99RSha1z5gBTvzQ56>

Opportunities to Serve



Legacy: We are still collecting donations to our Legacy fund to help cover the cost of the food supplied to those children most in need this past school year. We will let you know more about this mission soon. Thank you!



Pumpkin Patch: Come volunteer to help set up and work at the Pumpkin Patch at Northside UMC. We are raising funds to sent

youth to Salkehatchie next year. To sign up, please use this link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17w8Hr9FI9mJ2IaO28KyTERU-0jAjhWDw3v8EURHhGi8/edit?usp=sharing>