



# SAINT PAUL

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

FEAR IS NOT MY FUTURE. SICKNESS IS NOT MY STORY.  
HEARTBREAK'S NOT MY HOME. GUILT IS NOT MY GO-TO.  
DEATH IS NOT THE END...

YOU  
ARE

**"Guilt is Not My Go-to"**  
**October 30, 2022**

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

Pastor: Rev. Matthew Greer

Stay connected to your Saint Paul family

[Saintpaulgreenville.org](http://Saintpaulgreenville.org)

[Vimeo.com/saintpaulumc](http://Vimeo.com/saintpaulumc)

Podcast: [podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107](http://podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107)

Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.

Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

Please silence your mobile device. Thank you.

\*Please stand as you are able.

### Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

"St. Anthony Chorale"

Brahms

\*Processional Hymn

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Hymnal no.92

Lighting of the Candles

\*Call to Worship

Leader: We can hear our savior calling.

**People: We'll go with him through the garden. We'll go with Him through the judgement.**

Leader: He will give us grace and glory.

**People: We'll go with Him, with Him all the way.**

\*Opening Prayer

excerpt from Hymn no. 893

Leader: Let us pray

**All: Holy Spirit, speak to us. Help us listen to your word of forgiveness, for we are very deaf. Come, fill this moment and free us from sin. 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.**

(Whether it be thanksgiving, smiles, forgiveness, embraces, waves from across the church, or encouragement, we pray your soul finds the peace it needs at this time.)

Welcome and Announcements

### Word and Response

Children's Sermon

Children will come forward.

Following the children's sermon, we invite our K3 to 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.**

First Scripture

Psalm 103:1-18

UM Hymnal #824

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

2 Corinthians 5:16-22

NRSV (pg.170 NT)

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Guilt is Not My Go-to"

Anthem

"How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely"  
Chancel Choir

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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**

"My Hope is Built"

Hymnal no.368

**\*Benediction**

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

**Postlude**

"Prayer"

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**Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts**

<b>Giving for 10/23/2022</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$3652.55	10/23/2022
Other funds	\$55.00	In-person: 50
<b>Total Giving:</b>	<b>\$3,707.55</b>	Online Views: 64

**Today's Servers:**

Reader: Eugenia Vicars

Acolyte: Maddie Miller

Nursery: Raina Newman

Crucifer: Wesley Miller

Children's Worship: Tennille Crnobrnja

& Jim Storey

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,  
 2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,  
 3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,  
 4. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,  
 5. For thy church, that ev - er - more lift - eth ho - ly hands a - bove,  
 6. For thy - self, best Gift Di - vine, to the world so free - ly given,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies;  
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light;  
 for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight;  
 friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild;  
 of - fer - ing up on ev - ery shore her pure sac - ri - fice of love;  
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven:

*Refrain*

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.  
 \* *Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.*

\*For Holy Communion

## My Hope Is Built

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1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than  
 2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I  
 3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup -  
 4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O

Je - sus' blood and righ - teous - ness. I dare not trust the  
 rest on his un - chang - ing grace. In ev - ery high and  
 port me in the whelm - ing flood. When all a - round my  
 may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righ - teous -

sweet - est frame, but whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 storm - y gale, my an - chor holds with - in the veil.  
 soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.  
 ness a - lone, fault - less to stand be - fore the throne!

*Refrain*

On Christ the sol - id rock I stand, all oth - er ground is

sink - ing sand; all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

## Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Wed. 11/02	Fellowship Dinner: Saint Paul	5:30pm
	Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul	7:00pm

Upcoming events:

Sun, 11/06	All Saints	
	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 11/07	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul & Zoom	7:00pm
Tues, 11/08	Fellowship Luncheon: Chuy's	11:30am
Tues, 11/29	Women's Community: Roper home	7:00pm

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### From Pastor Matt

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

Thanks for being here today! I believe the number one reason for high church attendance is church attendance; your presence makes this a more excellent place to be on Sunday mornings.

*In response to the pandemic, we had started live-streaming our services. As we are back in attendance, we have decided to temporarily stop live-streaming until a more permanent solution can be found; however, we will still be recording the service each Sunday and posting it on Facebook and our website for your viewing during the week. Thank you for your patience as we find the solution for moving forward with our technology.*

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**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.

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### 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:** Lori Cheshire, Christine Hall, 10/30; Benjamin Pool, 10/31; Thomas Pool, Lisa Pool, 11/2; Christopher Searcy, Owen Roberts, 11/3; Randy Rogers, 11/4; William Hall, 11/5

### Happy Anniversary:

#### In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Chelsea Biggers, Vicki Bolen, Annette Bostic, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, Cheyanne Cantwell, Connie Cox, Patsy Crabtree, *Eleanor Cunningham*, Natalie Davis, *Jesse Franks*, Catherine Gilstrap, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Lisa Harbin, Carol Head, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, Lee Jenkinson, *Carol Johnson*, Jean Jones, Tinsley Lyles, Crystal McCoy, Chuck McLesky, Karsyn Miller, **Tavane Reposa**, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Joyce Searcy, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, **John Tate and family**, 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:

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## Upcoming Meetings



**Trustees:** Will be meeting on 11/7 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 11/14 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Jim Storey, Katie Knobloch, Donna Connelly, Troy Gamble, Eugenia Vicars, and Pastor Matt. This is a closed meeting.



**Finance Committee:** Will NOT be meeting on 11/21. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobloch, Melissa Campbell, Donna Connelly, Tommy Head, Eugenia Vicars, Tracey Biggers, Jason Cheshire, and Pastor Matt. All are welcome!



**Church Council:** Will NOT be meeting on 11/28. Members are Tracey Biggers, Lori Cheshire, Heather Storey, Janet Cook, Peggy Whitmire, Collins Cheshire, Eugenia Vicars, Ed Pool, Jim Storey, David Knobloch, Becky Hollifield, Carol Head, Davis Lupo, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Edna Patterson, Elaine Byers, Mary Anne Terminato and Pastor Matt. All are welcome!

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## Announcements & Upcoming Events



**Joint Youth Group:** We meet on 11/6 and 11/13 at Saint Paul at 5:30pm. On 11/20 we will be having our Friendsgiving and we will not meet on 11/27 due to the Thanksgiving weekend. See you all soon!



**Basketball Registration is now open!!** We will be partnering with Aldersgate UMC again this year. Please use the link below to get started. At this time, they are not taking requests for teammates. They are trying to keep the maximum number of players to 10 but must have 7 to 8 for a team to survive. Saint Paul will cover the cost of the program, but you will need to pay for your own jersey. Please email MaryAnn Stephens at [maepool@hotmail.com](mailto:maepool@hotmail.com) if you have registered to play. Thank you!

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSecSSqSXuIrHfYZdTKbYIG7XlJ-fKfxlsgtx4JQUZPnrAnvNA/viewform>



**Fellowship Dinner:** Come out and join us on 11/2 at 5:30pm for our Fellowship Dinner. We will have an evening spent together filled with laughter, food, and fellowship.



**Fellowship Luncheon:** Our next luncheon will be on 11/8 at 11:30am at Chuy's on Woodruff Road. Come out and join us for lunch and fellowship.



**Women's Retreat:** The St. Paul Women's Community Annual Retreat will be held at Montreat Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC on February 10-12, 2023. The approximate cost for the weekend is

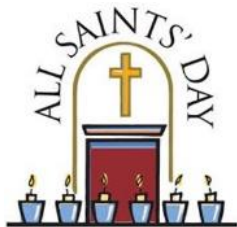
\$150.00 for a double occupancy room and \$230.00 for a single occupancy room. A \$60.00 deposit is due November 14. All ladies of St. Paul (and friends) are welcome! Please reach out to Tennille Crnobrnja ([tennille.crnobrnja@gmail.com](mailto:tennille.crnobrnja@gmail.com)) if you plan to attend. We look forward to resuming our weekend retreat!



**Help Needed:** We are needing volunteers in two areas!

First, the pre-school/K5/1<sup>st</sup> Grade Sunday School class needs a second person to work with Teresa each Sunday. If you are interested in one Sunday or multiple Sundays, please contact Eugenia Vicars or Heather Storey.

Second, we are needing volunteers to run the camera during the services on Sunday. All you have to do is press record, check the sound, and set the camera or pan and zoom. Training will be provided. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the office or Mary Anne Terminato.



**All Saints Day:** We will be celebrating All Saint's Day on 11/6 during our service. Our banner is in the narthex for you to put the name of a loved one you would like remembered on it. We will also be lighting candles for those of our congregation that we have lost and we will have candles for you light to commemorate your loved

ones.

## Opportunities to Serve



**Legacy Christmas:** Thank you to those who signed up to provide gifts for this Christmas for a Legacy child. You will be getting information on your child very soon. If you didn't get to sign up but would like to contribute funds towards gifts, please contact Edna Patterson ([ednaptterson04@gmail.com](mailto:ednaptterson04@gmail.com)).



**PanCan:** We will be collecting for PanCan from mid-October to mid-November. Please give generously in the purple buckets for this mission. Let us help to find a cure!