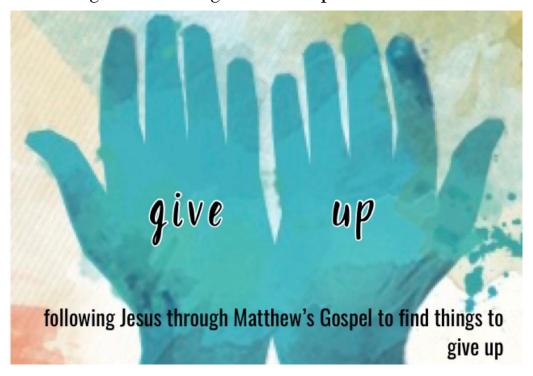


A safe place to be authentic and to experience acceptance, healing, and a loving relationship with Jesus Christ.



March 12, 2023

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Pastor: Rev. Matthew Green

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Staff

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

Podcast: podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107 Sexton: Gary Putnam

Please silence your mobile device. At the Chiming of the Hour, please take your seat and quietly reflect on the coming service. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "The Way That He Loves" Mercer

*Processional Hymn "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" Hymnal no.371 Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: There is nothing like your presence here in this place.

People: There is nothing like your passion; that steals my heart

away.

Leader: There is nothing like your glory falling on me.

People: More of you, less of me.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: Spirit, lead me where my trust is without borders. Let me walk upon the waters, wherever You would call me. Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander, and my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior. In Jesus's name, 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 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/quardian.

Prayer for Illumination

Dear Lord, open us up, this morning and throughout the week, to hear your sweet invitation to follow you. Amen.

*Responsive Reading Psalm 8 UM Hymnal pg.743

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.

*Sermon Scripture Matthew 8:5-13 NRSV (pg.7 NT)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series "Give Up"

Part 4 "Give Up Control"

Anthem "I Asked the Lord" Duncan

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.

Offertory

We are collecting for March of Dimes during the Month of March. To give through PayPal please put March of Dimes in the notes. To give through Realm please choose March of Dimes.

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

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

Hymnal no.382

*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Now I Belong to Jesus"

Clayton

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

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Giving for 03/05/2023	Amount	Attendance	
General Fund	¢2 040 26	03/05/20253	
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$3,9 4 9.30		
Other funds	\$32.00	In-person: 45	
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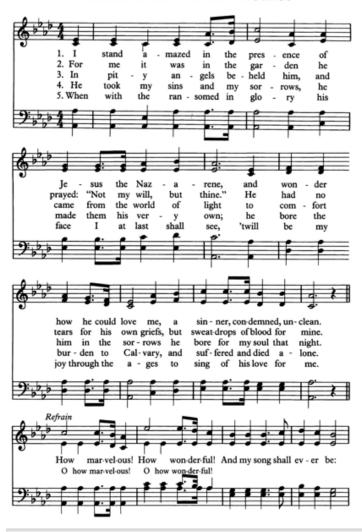
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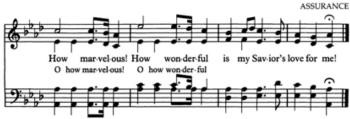
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Acolyte: William Hall Children's Worship: Raina Newman

Nursery: Lauren Searcy

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WORDS: Charles H. Gabriel, 1905 (Luke 22:41-44) MUSIC: Charles H. Gabriel, 1905 MY SAVIOR'S LOVE 87.87 with Refrain

382 Have Thine Own Way, Lord



WORDS: Adelaide A. Pollard, 1902 (Jer. 18:6) MUSIC: George C. Stebbins, 1907

Important Dates to Remember

Current week:		
Sun, 3/12	Daylight Saving Time	
	Service Sunday: Project Host 9:00am	- 1:00pm
	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 3/13	CANCELLED: S/PPRC meeting	•
Wed, 3/15	Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Thurs, 3/16	Golden Girls Bible Study Luncheon	11:30am
Upcoming events:		
Sun, 3/19	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 3/20	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Mon, 3/27	Church Council meeting: In person/Zoom	6:00pm
Tues, 3/28	Women's Community: TBD	7:00pm

From Pastor Matt

(You can always reach me at 864-421-3800 or 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.

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/or contact the office via the church email and phone during these hours. The office will be closed on 2/20 for President's Day and 2/27.

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



We will be passing around the buckets for March of Dimes for the month of March. Please help us support this wonderful organization as the help the youngest in our community.

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Carol Head, Charlie Forrester 3/13; Eugenia Vicars 3/14; Neal Franks, James Storey 3/15; Ed Pool 3/16; Whitney Feaster 3/19

Happy Anniversary: Branham and Tracey Biggers celebrate on 3/13.

In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Chelsea Biggers, Annette Bostic, Zonelle Boykin, Linda Bruce, William Bruce (Bruce/Terminato family), Ray Byington, Connie Cox, Natalie Davis, Jesse Franks, Catherine Gilstrap, Marie Good, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Debra Hampton, Carol Head, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, Dot Huff, Lee Jenkinson, Carol Johnson, Jean Jones, Brent Kanipe, Tinsley Lyles, Chuck McLesky, Betty McWhite, Karsyn Miller, Tavane Reposa, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Joyce Searcy, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, Tristan Taylor, Joe Whitmire, 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: Cheyanne Cantwell, Lisa Harbin, Crystal McCoy

Upcoming Meetings



Trustees: Will be meeting on 3/6 at 7pm in-person and via Zoom. Members are John Smith, Jimmie-Lou Vaughn, Deborah Goodwin, Chris Cox, Neal Franks, and John Sprinkle. All are welcome!



S/PPRC: Will **NOT** be meeting on 3/13. They will meet again in April. Members are Rebecca Roper, Tennille Crnobrnja, Troy Gamble, Steve Vaughn, Edna Patterson, and Christine Hall. This is a closed meeting.



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 3/20 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobeloch, Tommy Head, Stephen Newman, Eugenia Vicars, Edna Patterson, Jimmie-Lou Vanughn, and Tracey Biggers. All are welcome!



Church Council: Will be meeting on 3/27 in person and via Zoom at 6pm. Members are Tracey Biggers, Heather Storey, Peggy Whitmire, Collins Cheshire, Eugenia Vicars, David Knobeloch, Becky Hollifield, Carol Head, MaryAnn Stephens, Bill Searcy, Edna Patterson, Elaine Byers, Davis Lupo, and Mary Anne Terminato. All are welcome!

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Joint Youth Group: Will be meeting at Saint Paul each Sunday evening at 5:30 for the rest of the month.



Golden Girls Bible Study and Luncheon: Come join us on 3/16 at 11:30 at the home of Mary Pool, 216 McDaniel Ave in Greenville. We will be studying Rahab. Please read Joshua 2:1-24, 6:25; Hebrews 11:31; and James 2:25.



Project Host Service Sunday: Please mark your calendar that this Sunday, 3/12, will be our Service Sunday at Project Host. Come join us from 9am to 1pm as we serve those most in need in our community. Please sign up: https://forms.gle/Kc1zEFGViXYiyH7F7

Opportunities to Serve



Project Host Service Sundays: Please mark your calendars for our Service Sundays and Project Host this year. We will be helping with the meal service on **March 12th**, July 9th, and October 8th from 9am to 1pm. Please come support those in our community in need of our service and compassion.



March of Dimes in March: We will be passing around our purple buckets to raise money for the March of Dimes. Please consider joining a local walk event.



Messy Church is coming back this Lenten season! We are tentatively looking at 3/26 from 4:00 - 5:30pm with dinner following at 5:30pm. RSVP at https://forms.gle/yvbCERRZtBPJ7DJQ8



School Supplies: We will be collecting school supplies in May, June, and July. We will be listing needed items closer to time. We will be donating these in August for back to school.



September is Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Awareness: We will be collecting money to help find a cure. Please consider joining our own "Betty's Bunch" for the walk event.



October Block Party: It's back. Come out for a fun time with the neighborhood as we host our Block Party. More details will be coming closer to time.



November is Pancreatic Cancer Awareness: We will be raising money to donate to help find a cure. Please check their website for ways you can help outside of this collection.

Sunday School & Children's Worship

If you would like to volunteer for the Sunday School hour or for Children's Worship, please contact Heather Storey at heatherb323@gmail.com or Eugenia Vicars at eugeniavicars@aol.com. The more people that volunteer, the longer out the rotation so please consider helping support our children and youth.