



SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



March 05, 2023

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Pastor: Rev. Matthew Greer

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Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.

Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

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

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "Sheep May Safely Graze" Bach

*Processional Hymn "O Worship the King" Hymnal no.73

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship excerpt "Marching On" by Rend Collective
Leader: Your unstoppable kingdom advances as we take back the ground from the darkness.

People: The battle belongs to the Lord and no one else.

Leader: You're the banner we raise in the chaos. No, the gates of Hell won't stand against us.

People: The battle belongs to the Lord and no one else.

*Opening Prayer

All: We confess the times where we have cared too much about the outward appearance; for our deeds to be seen by earthly eyes. Forgive us we pray. Remind us who we serve, and free us into a life of living for your "well done" instead. 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

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

Oh Lord, since we will return to dust, speak to us from The Psalms and Matthew's Gospel. May we see where we need to repent, my you lead us somewhere better. Amen.

*Responsive Reading	Psalm 88	NRSV (pg.515 OT)
*Sermon Scripture	Matthew 6:1-4, 16-18	NRSV (pg.5 NT)
Sermon series	"Give Up"	
Part 4	"Give Up Image"	
Anthem	"Remember Me"	Althouse
	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.**

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.

*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.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

UM Hymnal p.12

*Giving the Bread and Cup

The ushers will direct you to come forward in small groups and kneel at the altar rail. You will receive a piece of bread and a cup of juice to eat and drink with your group. Gluten-free wafers are available. You may remain in prayer, then return to your seat via the outside aisles.

Closing Prayer

Sending

*Closing Hymn

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

Hymnal no.618

*Benediction

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

Postlude

“Sleepers Awake”

Bach

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 02/26/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$4,644.40	02/26/2023
Other Funds	\$873.00	In-person: 40
Total Giving:	\$5,517.40	Online Views: 165

Today's Servers:

Reader: Charlie Stephens

Acolyte: Henry Stephens

Nursery: Not this week

Crucifer: Henry Stephens

Children's Worship: Rebecca Roper

& MaryAnn Stephens

O Worship the King

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1. O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove,
 2. O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told,
 4. Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
 5. Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,

O grate - ful - ly sing God's power and God's love;
 whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space,
 Al - might - y, thy power hath found - ed of old;
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
 in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;

our Shield and De - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
 whose char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
 hath stab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,
 it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
 thy mer - cies how ten - der, how firm to the end,

pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
 and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.
 and sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend.

618 Let Us Break Bread Together

1. Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)
 (2. Let us) drink wine to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)
 (3. Let us) praise God to - geth-er on our knees, (on our knees)

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 let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)
 let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees. (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees with my face to the ris - ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me. (on me) 2. Let us
 3. Let us

*May end after stanza 3

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O Lord, have mercy if you please. (if you please)

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Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Sun, 3/5	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 3/6	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul & Zoom	7:00pm
Wed, 3/8	Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Fri, 3/10	Parents' Night Out: Saint Paul	6-9:00pm

Upcoming events:

Sun, 3/12	Daylight Saving Time	
	Service Sunday: Project Host	9:00am – 1:00pm
	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 3/13	S/PPRC meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Tues, 3/14	Fellowship Luncheon: Iron Hill	11:30am
Thurs, 3/16	Golden Girls Bible Study Luncheon	11:30am

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: Pastor Matt 3/6; Katie Franks 3/8; Nolan Roberts 3/9

Happy Anniversary: There are no anniversaries this week.

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, 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 be meeting on 3/13 at 8pm via Zoom. 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 Knobloch, 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. Time to be announced. Members are Tracey Biggers, Heather Storey, Peggy Whitmire, Collins Cheshire, Eugenia Vicars, David Knobloch, 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.



Parents' Night Out: Drop off the children on 3/10 from 6 to 9pm. Go enjoy a night out, get some shopping done, or just go home and nap! A light dinner and dessert will be provided. Please sign up at <https://forms.gle/vGohNbKP9LwCbQmR7>



Help Needed: 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.



Project Host Service Sunday: Please mark your calendar that next 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. Mark your calendars and more details to come.



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.***