



SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



April 16, 2023

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

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 seat and quietly reflect on the coming service. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "March from 'Scipio'" Handel
Chancel Choir

*Processional Hymn "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" Hymnal no.304
Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing

People: my great Redeemer's praise,

Leader: the glories of my God and King,

People: the triumphs of His grace!

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim; to spread throughout all the earth abroad the honors of your 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/guardian.

Prayer for Illumination

May the words and deeds of Jesus between resurrection and ascension draw us closer to him and call us into a more excellent way of life. Amen.

Offertory

We will be passing the gold buckets to collect money for the Senior Action Center bus.

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

"He Lives"

Hymnal no.310

*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Nothing is Impossible"

Clark

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 04/09/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$3,795.23	04/09/20253
Other funds	\$45.00	In-person: 80
Total Giving:	\$3,840.23	Online Views: 86

Today's Servers:

Reader: Martha or Richard Ball

Crucifer:

Acolyte: Willa Bell

Children's Worship: Jeannine Cox

Nursery: Not available today

& Raina Newman

Easter People, Raise Your Voices 304

1. Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heav - en in
 2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our press - ing
 3. Ev - ery day to us is Eas - ter, with its res - ur -

earth should ring. Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es;
 here be - low. For our Lord em - pow - ered us to
 rec - tion song. When in trou - ble move the fast - er

heav - en - ly mu - sic, let it ring. Al - le - lu - ia!
 tri - umph o - ver ev - ery foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 to our God who rights the wrong. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.
 Al - le - lu - ia! On to vic - tory now we go.
 Al - le - lu - ia! See the power of heav - en - ly throngs.

WORDS: William M. James, 1979

MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1867

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He Lives

1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, he's in the world to - day;
 2. In all the world a - round me I see his lov - ing care,
 3. Re - joice, re-joyce, O Chris-tian, lift up your voice and sing

I know that he is liv - ing, what - ev - er foes may say.
 and though my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair.
 e - ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ the King!

I see his hand of mer - cy, I hear his voice of cheer,
 I know that he is lead - ing through all the storm - y blast;
 The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;

and just the time I need him, he's al - ways near.
 the day of his ap - pear-ing will come at last.
 none oth - er is so lov-ing, so good and kind.

Refrain

He lives, he lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day!
(he lives) (he lives)

He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's nar - row way.

He lives, he lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!
(he lives) (he lives)

You ask me how I know he lives? He lives with-in my heart.

Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Sun, 4/16	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Mon, 4/17	Men's Community: Jim Storey's	7:00pm
	CANCELLED: Finance Committee meeting	8:00pm
Wed, 4/19	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:00pm
Thurs, 4/20	Golden Girls Bible Study: Mary Pool's	11:30am

Upcoming events:

Sun, 4/23	Youth Group: Saint Paul	5:30pm
Tues, 4/25	Women's Community: TBD	7:00pm
Sat, 4/29	Leadership Retreat	TBD

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.

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](#)



Children's Choirs are back! Little Lambs will be rehearsing on the 2nd and 4th Sundays during Sunday School. **Kids4Christ** will be rehearsing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays during Sunday School. Please be sure to have your children here for practice. Thank you!

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Stella Feaster 4/19; Shawn Poore 4/23

Happy Anniversary: David & Katie Knobloch 4/17; Larry & Jean Jones are celebrating 64 years together on 4/18; Ryan & Teresa Ferrell 4/22. Congratulations!

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, Amos Horne, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, Dot Huff, Lee Jenkinson, Carol Johnson, Jean Jones, Brent Kanipe, Tinsley Lyles, Chuck McLesky, Betty McWhite, Allison Miller, 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)

Praise be given:

Upcoming Meetings



Trustees: Will be meeting on 5/1 at 7pm at Saint Paul 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 5/8 at 8pm via Zoom. 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 NOT be meeting on 4/17 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 NOT be meeting on 4/24. Time and location to be determined. 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!

Leadership Retreat: If you are a member of the Church Council, please join us on 4/29 for our Leadership Retreat.

Announcements & Upcoming Events



Joint Youth Group: Will be meeting at Saint Paul each Sunday evening at 5:30.



Men's Community: Gentlemen of Saint Paul, Men's Community is back! Join us on 4/17 at 7pm at the home of Jim Storey, 6 Trails End in Greenville. Let's join together to spend an evening in fellowship.

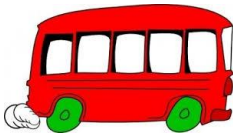


Golden Girls Bible Study and Luncheon: We will be gathering on 4/20 at 11:30am at the home of Mary Pool, 216 McDaniel Avenue. Please bring you lunch and join us for our study on the women in the Bible. Please read Luke 10:38-42; John 11:17-44 and 12:1-8. This is the story of Mary and Martha. We will be talking about Mary.



Mark your Calendars for VBS! Vacation Bible School will be coming to Saint Paul July 23-27. Mark your calendars and plan to join us. More information will be coming closer to time.

Opportunities to Serve



Senior Action Center Bus: We will be collecting to help raise money for the Senior Action Center Bus on April 16, 23, and 30. Please bring your dollars and coins for the gold buckets. Thank you for helping us support our community.



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 July 9th and October 8th from 9am to 1pm. Please come support those in our community in need of our service

and compassion. **Sign up for July 9th here:**

<https://forms.gle/ycpN4S7JYz4WkNuA8>



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.



Summer Sunday School Schedule

This summer we will have Sunday School on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This will be for June, July and August. Our attendance is generally low in the summer and this will give our teachers and assistants some time for rest and renewal.