



SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



May 28, 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 "God of the Sparrow" Kerr

*Processional Hymn "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Hymnal no.158
Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: pour it out, let Your love run over.

People: Here and now, let Your glory fill this house.

Leader: Tongues of fire, testifying of the Son.

People: One desire, Spirit come, Spirit come.

Leader: Speak revival, prophesy like it is done.

People: One desire, Spirit come, Spirit come.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: May the wind from Heaven continue to rush. May the tongues of fire continue to rest on us. May the Spirit continue to enable us to say Good News so that the world clearly understands. May we continue to devote ourselves to your teachings, to fellowship, to breaking of bread, and prayer. 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

Receiving of New Members

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.

*Responsive Reading Psalm 104:24-35 UM Hymnal pg.827
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 Acts 2:1-17 NRSV (pg.111 NT)
Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Pentecost"

Anthem "The Gift of Love" Hopson
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

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

"Only Trust Him"

Hymnal no.337

*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Thy Holy Wings"

Webster

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 05/21/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$3,082.32	05/21/20253
Other funds	\$108.50	In-person: 50
Total Giving:	\$3,190.82	Online Views: 93

Today's Servers:

Reader: Eugenia Vicars

Crucifer:

Acolyte:

Children's Worship: Edna Patterson

Nursery: Lauren Searcy

& Heather Storey

Memorials were given to the glory of God in memory of Joe Whitmire by Robert & Mary Anne Terminato, Eugenia Vicars.

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Betty Worrell by Robert & Mary Anne Terminato.

158 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet the Lord a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Only Trust Him

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1. Come, ev - ery soul by sin op - pressed, there's
 2. For Je - sus shed his pre - cious blood rich
 3. Yes, Je - sus is the truth, the way that
 4. Come then and join this ho - ly band, and

mer - cy with the Lord; and he will sure - ly
 bless - ings to be - stow; plunge now in - to the
 leads you in - to rest; be - lieve in him with -
 on to glo - ry go, to dwell in that ce -

give you rest, by trust - ing in his Word.
 crim - son flood that wash - es bright as snow.
 out de - lay, and you are ful - ly blest.
 les - tial land where joys im - mor - tal flow.

Refrain

On - ly trust him, on - ly trust him, on - ly trust him now.

He will save you, he will save you, he will save you now.

Important Dates to Remember

Current week:

Mon, 5/29

Memorial Day: Office Closed

Wed, 5/24

Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul

7:00pm

Upcoming events:

6/4 – 6/8

Charge Conference: Columbia, SC

Sun, 6/4

Commissioning Sunday

In worship

Mon, 6/5

Trustees meeting: In person & Zoom

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.

From Asbury Hills to Salkehatchie, and tons of things in between, the Saint Paul students should have a fruitful summer. Join us on June 4th as we commission and pray over the children and youth we will send off.

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 5/29 for Memorial Day.**

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](#)

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Samuel Howard, Branham Biggers, 5/29

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, 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, **Faye Mulligan**, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Joyce Searcy, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, family of 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: Tristan Taylor, Tavane Reposa

Upcoming Meetings



Trustees: Will be meeting on 6/5 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 6/12 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 be meeting on 6/19 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 6/26 at 8pm via Zoom. 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



Charge Conference: Pastor Matt and Eugenia Vicars will be heading to Columbia 6/4 through 6/8 for Charge Conference. Please keep them in your prayers as they learn what the coming year will hold for our church.

Commissioning Sunday: Please join Pastor Matt in worship on 6/4 as we commission our students attending the different camps and summer missions.



Bill Searcy will be celebrating 25 years of service and ministry as our Music Director in June. Please join us on Sunday, June 11th, following worship, for a luncheon to celebrate. Please RSVP by June 4th so we can have an accurate headcount for our caterer. RSVP link: <https://forms.gle/jTX3ycSV2XAk4g4r6>

Opportunities to Serve



School Supplies: We will be collecting school supplies in May, June, and July. Please see the list below. There is a box in the narthex for these items or you can donate funds to our school missions fund with a note for school supplies.



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>



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 on 10/29 from 2 to 5pm.



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.



Saint Paul UMC/Northside UMC Joint VBS

We are inviting all children to a Hero Hotline- where we will be
Called Together to Serve God.

We will learn to work together and join God in helping others.

The party begins Sunday, July 23 and goes to Thursday, July 27.
Each evening heroes will gather in the fellowship hall at Saint Paul UMC

6:00-6:20 pm: Dinner served.

6:30-8:00 pm: Program

Children entering K4-Fifth Grade are invited to attend.
Registration information is coming soon.



School Supply List

- Notebook paper
- 3 ring binder
- Marble cover Composition book
- Spiral bound notebook
- Pencils (Ticonderoga preferred)
- Crayons (Crayola 16 or 24 pack size)
- Washable Markers (Crayola)
- Scissors (Fiskars blunt tip)
- Ink pens
- Tissues
- Hand sanitizer (Large bottle)
- Highlighters
- Glue sticks
- Pocket folders
- Colored pencils
- Black Expo dry erase markers