



SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



“Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.”

Romans 14:19

July 9, 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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Saintpaulgreenville.org

Vimeo.com/saintpaulumc

Podcast: podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107

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 "Amazing Grace" Jordan

*Processional Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory" Hymnal no.577

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers,

People: for by doing so some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

Leader: So let's strive

People: for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: Dear god, in all the people we encounter to lend a helping hand, may we treat those moments as Holy, ordained by you. May we imagine those small acts of help as a means of grace; to keep one on the course of walking with and following You. 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.

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

"Are Ye Able"

Hymnal no.530

*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Lowery

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 07/02/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$6,791.54	07/02/2023
Other funds	\$476.00	In-person: 35
Total Giving:	\$7,267.54	Online Views:

Today's Servers:

Reader: Richard or Martha Ball

Crucifer:

Acolyte: Willa Bell

Children's Worship:

Nursery: Lauren Searcy

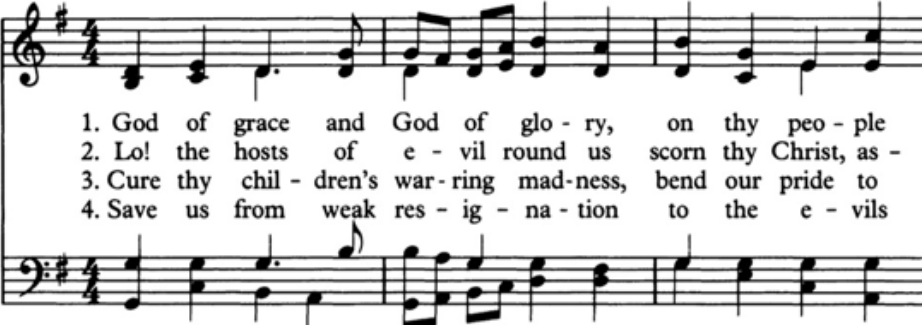
A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Joe Whitmire by John & Suzanne Sprinkle.

An honorarium was given to the glory of God in honor of the youth and their dads in observance of Father's Day by Bill and Dot Huff.

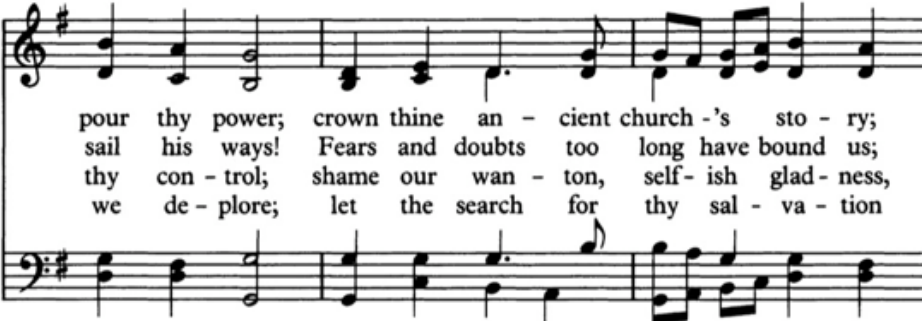
An honorarium was given to the glory of God in honor of Daniel Roper and Todd Howard in observance of Father's Dad by Sue Howard.

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Ronald G. Howard who was a great father in observance of Father's Day by Sue Howard.


577 God of Grace and God of Glory



1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to
 4. Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour thy power; crown thine an - cient church - 's sto - ry;
 sail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the search for thy sal - va - tion



bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
 free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

Are Ye Able

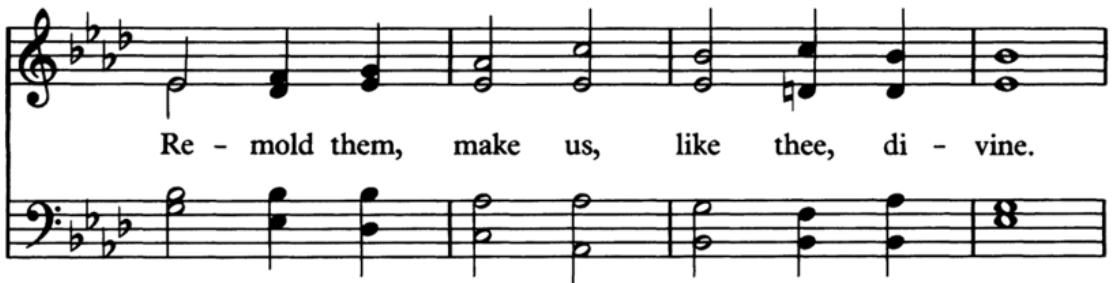
1. "Are ye a - ble," said the Mas - ter, "to be
 2. Are ye a - ble to re - mem - ber, when a
 3. Are ye a - ble when the shad - ows close a -
 4. Are ye a - ble? Still the Mas - ter whis - pers

cru - ci - fied with me?" "Yea," the sturd - y dream - ers
 thief lifts up his eyes, that his par - doned soul is
 round you with the sod, to be - lieve that spir - it
 down e - ter - ni - ty, and he - ro - ic spir - its

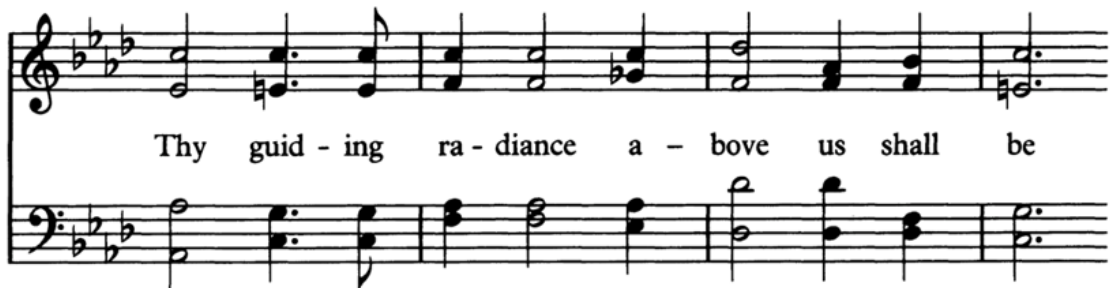
an - swered, "to the death we fol - low thee."
 wor - thy of a place in par - a - dise?
 tri - umphs, to com - mend your soul to God?
 an - swer, now as then in Gal - i - lee.

Refrain

Lord, we are a - ble. Our spir - its are thine.



Re - mold them, make us, like thee, di - vine.



Thy guid - ing ra - diance a - bove us shall be



a bea - con to God, to love, and loy - al - ty.

WORDS: Earl Marlatt, 1926 (Mark 10:35-40)
MUSIC: Harry S. Mason, 1924

BEACON HILL
Irr.

Important Dates to Remember

Sun, 7/9	Project Host Service Sunday Sunday School	9:00 – 1:00 10:00am
Upcoming events:		
Sat, 7/15	Sterling Prayer Walk and Breakfast	7:30am
Mon, 7/17	Finance Committee meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Sun, 7/23	Sunday School	10:00am
7/23 – 7/27	Vacation Bible School	
Sun, 7/20	VBS Celebration Sunday	In worship

From Pastor Matt

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

Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears...I mean family, Saint Paulians, Christians, lend me your Facebook. As a means to boast in what God is doing with our congregation and invite your friends to join in, PLEASE consider sharing upcoming events to your Facebook page.

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](#)

Saint Paul Cares

Happy Birthday: Suzanne Sprinkle 7/9; Janet Cook, Martha Ball 7/10; Emily Wham, Sherre Forrester 7/16

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, 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 8/7 at 7pm in person. 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 8/14 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 7/17 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 be meeting on 7/24 at 8pm via Zoom. 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



School Supplies: We will be collecting school supplies in May, June, and July for our Fill the Backpack event on 8/4. 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.

Opportunities to Serve



Project Host Service Sundays: We will be helping with the meal service on October 8th from 9am to 1pm. Please come support those in our community in need of our service and compassion. **Sign up for October 8th 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.

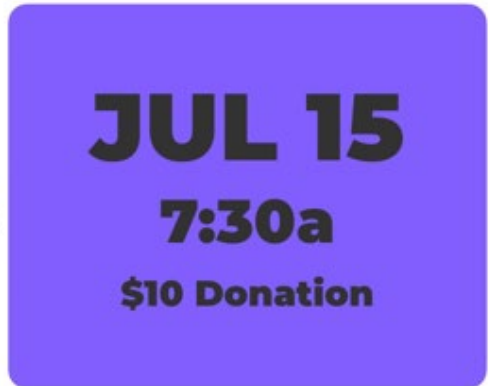


November is Pancreatic Cancer Awareness: We will be raising money to donate to help find a cure. Please check their website for ways you can help outside of this collection.



Summer Sunday School Schedule

This summer we will have Sunday School on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This will be for 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.



COMMUNITY PRAYER WALK & BREAKFAST

STERLING COMMUNITY CENTER

113 MINUS ST. GREENVILLE, SC 29601

Come join us for the walk and breakfast. We have two tables courtesy of Debra Hampton so you won't need a ticket. Please RSVP at <https://forms.gle/afr7cV2ZcX67xQ3R6>



Encouraging notes
for our students
and teachers



As our students and teachers begin to prepare for the 2023-2024 school year let's show them our support and encouragement. Select one or more addressed and stamped post cards from the basket in the narthex. Write a note of encouragement or scripture to the student or teacher the card is addressed to. Then mail the post card so it will arrive the week of August 8. This is the week the new school year will begin. Continue to pray for the student or teacher you sent cards to during the school year. Thank you for supporting this project and supporting our students and teachers.

St. Paul Youth

DAY OF HELP

July 29

**9AM: BREAKFAST AT SAINT
PAUL**

**9:30: SET UP PACK THE
BACKPACK MARKET**

**11:15: DROP OFF GOODIES AT
WEST END FD**

**12-2: FOOD COLLECTION [AT]
INGLES IN PIEDMONT**

**2:45: TAKE FOOD TO
PIEDMONT EMERGENCY RELIEF
CENTER**

**3:45: LAUNDROMAT
BLESSINGS**

5 PM : PICK UP AT SAINT PAUL



5 THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN PRAYING FOR YOUR LOCAL CHURCH

1) BE BOLD!

JOSHUA 10:12-14

2) HEARING AND PROCLAIMING GOSPEL IS GOOD.

♥IVING AND WALKING THE GOSPEL IS A MORE EXCELLENT WAY.

COLOSSIANS 1:9

3) SOWING SEED CAN BE HARD WORK:

SEEING AND TASTING FRUIT KEEPS THE WORK GOING.

COLOSSIANS 1:10

4) ENDURANCE AND PATIENCE ARE NEEDED:

IT CAN BE HARD OUT HERE FOR A CHURCH.

COLOSSIANS 1:11

5) PRAYING???



THEN PREPARE!!!

PASTOR MATT'S STORY OF RECEIVING A BOOK ON PARENTING IN THE MIDST OF PRAYING AND WORKING THROUGH INFERTILITY



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

We are collecting now in the narthex.

Up, down, side to side, or diagonal,
bring in the corresponding supplies for
a chance to win gift cards! Supplies &
completed bingo card can be dropped
off by July at 1107 South Main Street in
Greenville!

PLAYER NAME:

CONTACT:

SAINT PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH INVITES YOU TO PLAY:

PACK THE BACKPACK

B I N G O

5 packs of pencils	1 3-ring Binder	8 Glue Sticks	3 packs of black pens	1 Container of disinfectant wipes
1 Container of disinfectant wipes	5 packs of Crayons	3 marbled Composition Notebooks	1 3-ring Binder	5 Folders
1 3-ring Binder	1 box of Tissues	Free spot, cause Jesus paid it all!	5 packs of Colored Pencils	3 marbled Composition Notebooks
3 packs of blue pens	1 pencil Box or Pouch	2 blunt tip Scissors	3 marbled Composition Notebooks	1 bottle of Hand Sanitizer
3 packs of loose leaf Paper	3 marbled Composition Notebooks	8 High Lighters	5 packs of Markers	1 3-ring Binder