



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

VBS Sunday **June 30, 2023**

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

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Saintpaulgreenville.org

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Goldysermons.podomatic.com

Pastor: Rev. Michael Goldston

Staff

Director of Music: William H. Searcy, Jr.

Church Administrator: Melissa Campbell

Sexton: Gary Putnam

Please silence and turn off Wi-Fi on your mobile device to ensure we have the bandwidth to livestream today's service. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "O Mighty God" Smith

*Processional Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Hymnal no.384
Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Heroes: Heroes are called to follow Jesus.

People: Let's follow Jesus like Philip and Nathaniel.

Heroes: Heroes are called to help others.

People: Let's help others like Shiphrah and Puah.

Heroes: Heroes are called to work together.

People: Let's work together like Jethro suggested to Moses.

Heroes: Heroes are called to listen to God.

People: Let's listen to God like the magi did.

Heroes: Heroes are called to show grace.

People: Let's show grace like Saul turned Paul was shown.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Dear Lord, thank you for a mighty week. May we always strive together for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up. 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

Prayer for Illumination

Oh Lord, our God, may your word in print and proclaimed be alive and active for us. May we clearly hear your call to serve You together. Amen.

*Scripture reading Romans 14:19 NRSV(pg.152 NT)
Leader: The word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Scripture story	John 1:35-51	"Follow Jesus"
Scripture story	Exodus 1:8-2:10	"Help Others"
Scripture story	Exodus 18	"Work Together"
Scripture story	Matthew 2:1-12	"Listen to God"
Scripture story	Acts 9:1-25	"Show Grace"

Anthem	"Beat Like Yours"	Crosskid Nation
	"Your Grace"	Crosskid Nation

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.

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

"Freely, Freely"

Hymnal no.389

*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

Smith

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 07/23/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$1,811.02	07/23/2023
Summer Camp	\$25.00	In-person: 45
Total Giving	\$1,836.02	Online Views: 124

Today's Servers:

Reader: Christine Hall and VBS

Crucifer: Elliott Hall

Acolyte: William Hall

Children's Worship: Not available

Nursery: Not available

384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
 4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down; fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing;
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in thee in - her - it;
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er,
 let us be. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion

all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, thou art
 let us find that sec - ond rest. Take a - way our
 nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be
 per - fect - ly re - stored in thee; changed from glo - ry

all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it
 bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of
 al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray and
 in - to glo - ry, till in heaven we take our place, till we

REBIRTH AND THE NEW CREATURE

us with thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 faith, as its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 praise thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Freely, Freely

1. God for - gave my sin in Je - sus' name, I've been
 2. All power is given in Je - sus' name, in

born a - gain in Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I
 earth and heaven in Je - sus' name, and in Je - sus' name I

come to you, to share his love as he told me to.
 come to you, to share his power as he told me to.

Refrain

He said, "Free - ly, free - ly you have re - ceived,

free - ly, free - ly give. Go in my name, and be -

REBIRTH AND THE NEW CREATURE

cause you be - lieve, oth - ers will know that I live."

Important Dates to Remember

Satu, 7/29	Youth Day of Service	9:00am – 5:00pm
Sun, 7/30	VBS Celebration Sunday	In worship
Tues, 8/1	Office Closed	
Sat, 8/5	Sterling Day of Healing: 113 Minus St	11:00-2:00pm

Upcoming events:

Sun, 8/6	Blessing of the Backpacks	In worship
	Packing the Backpack Event	1-3:00pm
Mon, 8/7	Trustees Meeting: Saint Paul/Zoom	7:00pm
Tues, 8/8	Fellowship Luncheon: 4 Aces Kitchen	11:30am
Sun, 8/13	Sunday School	10:00am
Sun, 8/27	End of Summer Bash: Discovery Island	3-5:00pm
Sun, 9/10	Grandparents are Great Pancake Breakfast	10:00am

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. ***The office will be closed on 8/1.***

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: Nicole Brannon 8/4

Happy Anniversary: John & Suzanne Sprinkle celebrate 54 years on 7/30. Congratulations! Also celebrating are Debbie Goodwin & Bob Kubicki 7/31; Jim & Heather Storey 8/3. Robert & Mary Anne Terminato celebrate 44 years on 8/4. Congratulations! Ed and Mary Pool celebrate 57 years on 8/6. Congratulations!

In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Chelsea Biggers, Annette Bostic, family of 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, **Alan Myers**, 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 8/21 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 8/28 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



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.



Fill the Backpack Event: Volunteer to help with this event on 8/6 from 1pm to 3pm. Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/kWfjqppopWsSS4Ta9>



Fellowship Luncheon: We will gather together on 8/8 at 11:30am at 4 Aces Kitchen located at 115 Pelham Rd, Ste 1 in Greenville. RSVP: <https://forms.gle/yqjgCQvmtVmXEpus5>

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.



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.



Sunday School Schedule

Sunday School will meet August 13 and August 27. Beginning September 17 the Sunday School classes will resume meeting every Sunday. Hope everyone has had a great summer. Look forward to seeing everyone back in September.

Hero Hotline VBS Workers

Thank you to the following who contributed their time and talents to make
Vacation Bible School a big success!

Director:	Eugenia Vicars
Assembly Time:	Tracey Biggers Eugenia Vicars
Crafts:	Martha Ball Lauren Searcy
Group Leaders:	Amber Greer Rebecca Roper Heather & Jim Storey
Story/Scripture Leader:	Jeannine Cox MaryAnn Stephens
Stem Science Activities	Richard Ball Rev. Matt Greer
Story Tellers	Martha Ball Rev. Matt Greer Brendon Pearson Bill Searcy
Technology/Movies:	Rev. Matt Greer, Eugenia Vicars
Meals:	Kim Black Janet Cook Rev. Matt Greer Debra Hampton Edna Patterson Brendon Pearson Mary Pool Marcus Stephens

Mission Projects

We collected school supplies for Saint Paul's Pack the Backpack Event.

The offering each evening will go to purchasing headphones for the Pack the Backpack Event..

Thank you to Janet and Carmie Cook for providing the pizza for dinner on Wednesday and to Edna Patterson for providing the tacos for dinner on Tuesday. Thank you to Jake Mullens, Debra Hampton and Jessica Evans for providing desserts. Thank you to Mary and Ed Pool for providing the fruit each night for dinner. Thank you to Marcus Stephens for coming early to thoroughly clean the grill and prepare food. Thank you to Chelsea Biggers and John and Becky Smith for helping.



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 lose leaf Paper	3 marbled Composition Notebooks	8 High Lighters	5 packs of Markers	1 3-ring Binder

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



Because you have shared
in her life and vocational calling,
you are invited to join,
in presence and prayers,

The Ordination
of
Lauren Evans Hamilton
to
The Gospel Ministry.

Sunday, August 13, 2023
10:30am

First Baptist Church
397 College Avenue
Clemson, South Carolina

Reception to follow in the Family Life Center.



End of Summer Bash!

The children, youth
and their families are invited to
celebrate at

Discovery Island Waterpark
Sunday, August 27, 2023
3:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Please register by August 24, 2023

Please register using the link below
<https://forms.gle/L46XN4vUeEU8o2Wp9>

You are welcome to invite a friend.
They will need to fill out an Activity Participation Form

We will have a shelter.
You will need to bring a chair.

Discovery Island is located at
417 Baldwin Road
Simpsonville, SC
Please go to
<https://waterparks.greenvillerec.com/discovery-island/>
and read their policies and guidelines.



**Grandparents
are
Great!**



Pancake Breakfast

Pancakes, bacon, fruit, coffee, milk

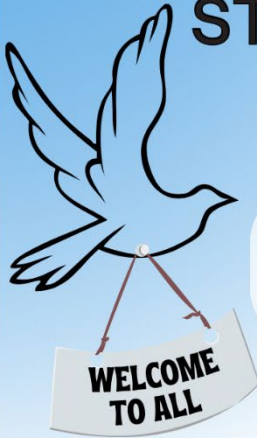
Sunday, September 10, 2023

10:00-10:45 a.m.

in the Fellowship Hall

Everyone is welcome!

Please RSVP using the link [below](https://forms.gle/JGdkWqp4sYLa76rc8)
<https://forms.gle/JGdkWqp4sYLa76rc8>



STERLING COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

2023

DAY OF HEALING DAY OF HOPE

FREE
PUBLIC
EVENT!

AUGUST 5 | SATURDAY
11 AM - 2 PM

STERLING COMMUNITY CENTER
113 MINUS ST, GREENVILLE, SC 29601

- ★ FREE COOKOUT (HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS)
- ★ GAMES & ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES
- ★ MUSIC BY DJ SAM BIGBY
- ★ FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- ★ FREE HAIRCUTS BY:
DUNN NONE - HAIROKNOTX,LLC - BARBER SAMONA GREENE
- ★ FREE SCHOOL-AGE CHILDRENS BOOKS
- ★ POET "MOODY BLACK"
- ★ YOUR INSURANCE CORNER
- ★ AUTHOR & ACTRESS "AVA A MICHELLE" SHARING HER BOOK

VENDORS

- ✦ REBUILD UPSTATE
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 - COMMUNITY HEALTH
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- ✦ BELAIRE COMMUNITY PARTNERS
 - ✦ TRIPLE P PARENTING
 - ✦ CRITTERS AND MORE
 - ✦ FAVOR UPSTATE
 - ✦ OAK STREET HEALTH

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- ✦ CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL
- ✦ STERLING HOPE CENTER
- ✦ MINUS CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SYSTEM
- ✦ GREENVILLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
- ✦ ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
- ✦ PARKSIDE CHURCH

