



# SAINT PAUL

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



**September 03, 2023**

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Live-streaming Worship Service at 11:00am at [www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/](https://www.facebook.com/saintpaulumcsc/)

Pastor: Rev. Matthew Greer

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[Saintpaulgreenville.org](http://Saintpaulgreenville.org)

[Vimeo.com/saintpaulumc](https://Vimeo.com/saintpaulumc)

Podcast: [podomatic.com/podcasts/saintpaulumc1107](https://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

"Prelude in C"

Kerr

\*Processional Hymn "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Hymnal no.154  
Lighting of the Candles

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Then the Lord said to Joshua,

**People: "See, I have delivered Jericho into hands...**

Leader: March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days...

**People: On the seventh day, march around the city seven times...**

Leader: When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have all the people give a loud shout,

**People: then the wall of the city will collapse."**

\*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

**All: Oh Lord, forgive us for all the walls we have put up. Help us take those down to find a more excellent way behind them. Oh Lord, we grieve and cry out against the walls placed in our lives keeping us out of spaces, places, and opportunities. Go with us, so we may find favor, and celebrate as those walls fade. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 testimonies of battles written in scripture speak to the battles we face within our lives. May they give us confidence and faith to face those battles with You, from victory in Jesus's name, Amen.**

\*First Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-57 NRSV (pg.166 NT)

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 Joshua 6:12-15 & 20 NRSV (pg.189 OT)

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "The Battle of Jericho"

Anthem "Amazing Grace" Traditional

Alice Anthony and Willa Bell

### 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

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Hymnal no.127

\*Benediction

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

Postlude

"Westminster Abbey Hymn"

Purcell

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### **Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts**

<b>Giving for 08/27/2023</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
General Fund	\$1,738.00	08/27/2023
Memorials & Honorariums		
Other funds	\$711.00	In-person: 80
<b>Total Giving:</b>	<b>\$2,449.00</b>	Online Views: 267

### **Today's Servers:**

Reader: Eugenia Vicars

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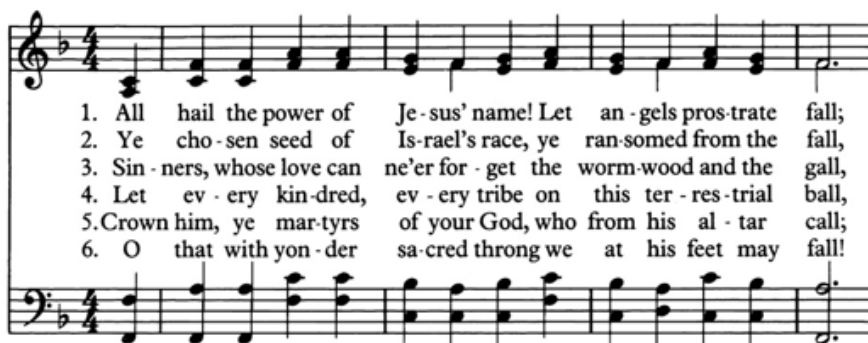
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Children's Worship: Rebecca Roper

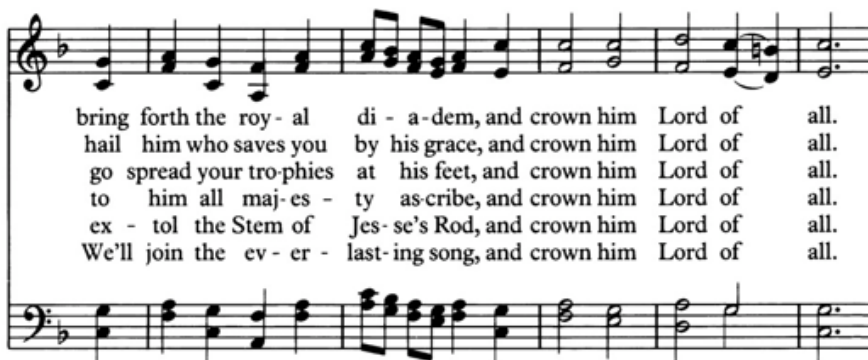
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**Memorials were given to the glory of God to the school missions fund in memory of Amos Horne by Edna Patterson and Ed & Mary Pool.**

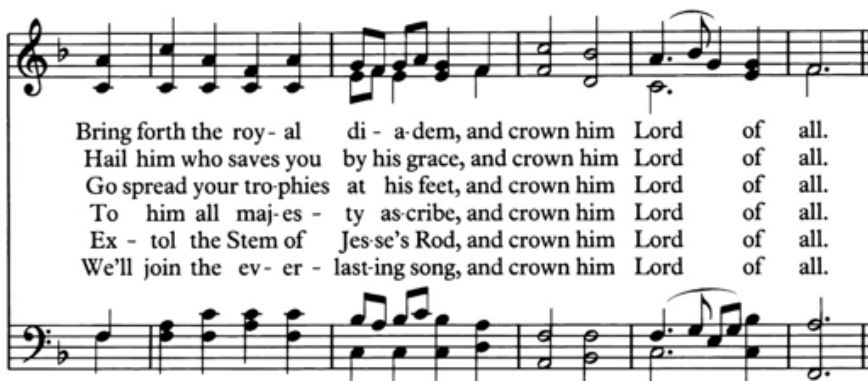
## 154 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



1. All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;  
 2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - sored from the fall,  
 3. Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,  
 4. Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball,  
 5. Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of your God, who from his al - tar call;  
 6. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all.  
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.  
 go spread your tro - phies at his feet, and crown him Lord of all.  
 to him all maj - es - ty as - crite, and crown him Lord of all.  
 ex - tol the Stem of Jes - se's Rod, and crown him Lord of all.  
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all.



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## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 127

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy  
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my  
 fears sub - side; death of death and hell's de - struc - tion, land me safe on

power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en, feed me  
 jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer, be thou  
 Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es, I will

till I want no more; (want no more) feed me till I want no more.  
 still my strength and shield; (strength and shield) be thou still my strength and shield.  
 ev - er give to thee; (give to thee) I will ev - er give to thee.

## Important Dates to Remember

Mon, 9/4	Labor Day: Office Closed	
Wed, 9/6	Chancel Choir rehearsals resume	7:00pm
Upcoming events:		
Sun, 9/10	Grandparents are Great Pancake Breakfast	10:00am
	Betty's Bunch to Fight Breast Cancer kickoff	
	Promotion Sunday	In
worship		
Mon, 9/11	Trustees meeting: Saint Paul/Zoom	7:00pm
Tues, 9/12	Fellowship Luncheon: TBD	11:30am
Wed, 9/13	Youth Parent meeting: Zoom	8:00pm
Sun, 9/17	Sunday School is back in session	10:00am
	Youth Group resumes: Saint Paul	TBD

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### From Pastor Matt

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

**In order to make Youth ministry at Saint Paul more excellent, we are looking for people that can:**

- 1) Provide/prepare meals for the youth and leaders,**
- 2) Spend time with the group to make sure that Safe Sanctuary is being practiced and,**
- 3) Lead lessons and facilitate group discussions.**

**Please let me or Edna Patterson know if these are things you'd like to do on a monthly basis or even just give it a try once or twice throughout the year. Thank you!**

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**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 9/4 for Labor Day.**

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### 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](#)

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## Saint Paul Cares

**Happy Birthday:** Nicole Ackerman 9/4; Becky Smith 9/7; Richard Bostic 9/10

### Happy Anniversary:

#### In your prayers, please remember:

Roger Barrett, Chelsea Biggers, Annette Bostic, 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, Sue Howard, Bill Huff, Dot Huff, Lee Jenkinson, Carol Johnson, Jean Jones, **Larry 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, *Kathy Weather*, 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:

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### Upcoming Meetings



**Trustees:** Will be meeting on 9/11 at 7pm at Saint Paul and Zoom. Members are John Smith, Jimmie-Lou Vaughn, Deborah Goodwin, Chris Cox, Neal Franks, and John Sprinkle. All are welcome!



**S/PPRC:** Will not be meeting in September. 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 9/18 at Saint Paul with a Zoom option. Time to be determined. 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 9/25 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!





**Charge Conference:** We will be hosting our Charge Conference on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 7pm at Saint Paul. To prepare, we have started the budget planning process and all those with a budget line should have received the renewal information via email and mail. For those needing to complete specific forms and reports, those will be sent out next week. All committees and teams need to meet to go over budget details. Thank you for helping us prepare.

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## Announcements & Upcoming Events



**Fellowship Luncheon:** It's back! Please mark your calendar for 9/12 to join us for lunch at 11:30. Location information will be listed soon.



**Youth Group Resumes on September 17, 2023. More details to come.**

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## Opportunities to Serve



**Project Host Service Sundays:** We will be helping with the meal service on October 8<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm. We currently have enough volunteers for this event.



**September is Breast Cancer Awareness:** We will be collecting money to help find a cure and help those in our area. Please look for more information coming from "The Betty Bunch". We will kick off this year's fund raising at the Grandparent's Breakfast on 9/10.



**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.

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## Sunday School Schedule

Sunday School will meet 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.

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### We were in the Advocate!



Photos courtesy of Eugenia Vicars

### ***Pack the Backpack***

St. Paul UMC, Greenville, located in the West End, held a back-to-school event on Sunday, Aug. 6. Called "Pack the Backpack," the event was held in the afternoon in the fellowship hall. Families were invited from around the Greenville area to come choose free school supplies to be ready for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. Members and the children attending the church's vacation Bible school collected the school supplies that were given away at the event. The VBS children collected more than \$300 in their offering for the week to help purchase headphones and earbuds for the event. The Rev. Matt Greer, St. Paul pastor, estimated they served 300 students.



**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>

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*Thank You*

Thank you to the Saint Paul family for being so understanding, supportive, and caring over the past couple of weeks. You are all very special and I appreciate the outpouring of support and care during this time. Also, thank you for the beautiful peace lily that was sent to us for my father's memory. My family and I am grateful for your kindness and thoughtfulness, Melissa.

