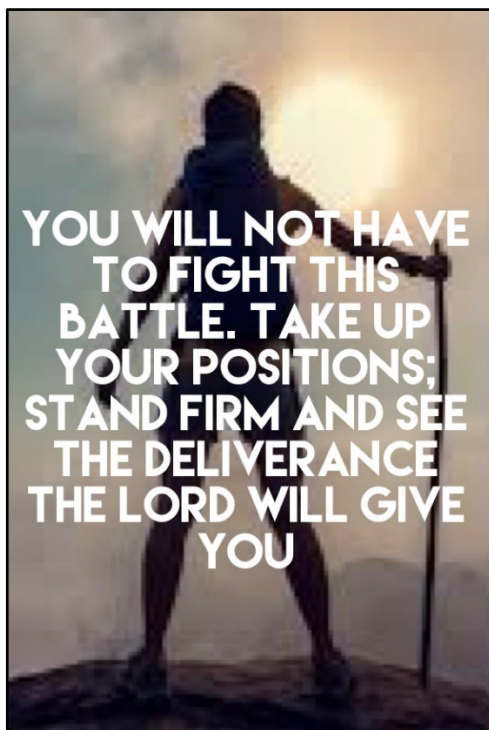




SAINT PAUL

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



October 29, 2023

864-235-3494 - saintpaulumc1107@gmail.com

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

Pastor: Rev. Matthew Greer

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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. Thank you.

*Please stand as you are able.

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

"Great are You, Lord"

Cook

*Processional Hymn

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

Hymnal no.61

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Leader: When your questions don't have answers

People: and you just can't understand it,

Leader: when your mind just wouldn't stop running

People: and the tears just kept on coming,

Leader: You don't have to explain it

People: He hears you before you can speak.

Leader: Come with me,

People: let's take it to Jesus.

*Opening Prayer

Leader: Let us pray

All: O Lord, as we withstand the battles, remind us we are not surrounded by troubles, but we are surrounded by You, so may we trust we are heard and seen; may we trust a clear line of communication from You to us. 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.

Anthem

"Victory Was Won at Calvary"

Horace Mauldin

Chancel Choir

Word and Response

Children's Sermon

Children will come forward.

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. During the Closing Hymn, the adult leaders will bring them back to the sanctuary and ensure they return to their parent/guardian.

Offertory

We will be collecting for our Missions fund today.

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.

Prayer for Illumination

Dear God, you have given us a position. Keep us standing firm. May the words of scripture and those being preached help us to withstand the battles being fought for us and around us. Amen.

* Scripture Reading

Exodus 2:23-25

NRSV (pg.48 OT)

*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

Matthew 6:5-13

NRSV (pg.5 NT)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Withstand the Battle With Prayer"

Rev. Davon Harrelson

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.

Sending

*Closing Hymn "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Hymnal no.431

*Benediction

Postlude "Think About His Love" Harrah

Our Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

Giving for 10/22/2023	Amount	Attendance
General Fund Memorials & Honorariums	\$1,400.75	10/22/2023
Other funds	\$25.00	In-person: 45
Total Giving	\$1,425.75	Online: 137

Today's Servers:

Reader: Christine Hall
Acolyte: William Hall
Nursery:

Crucifer: Elliott Hall
Children's Worship:

A memorial was given to the glory of God in memory of Sam Hall by Tracey Biggers.

Come, Thou Almighty King 61

1. Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy
 2. Come, thou in - car - nate Word, gird on thy
 3. Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
 4. To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing, help us to praise! Fa - ther all
 might - y sword, our prayer at - tend! Come, and thy
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour. Thou who al -
 prais - es be, hence, ev - er - more. Thy sov - reign

glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;
 might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days!
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend!
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power!
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore!

431 Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with

me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was

meant to be. *With God our cre - a - tor,

chil - dren all are we. Let us

walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

*Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment

now. With ev - ery step I take, let

this be my sol - emn vow: to take each mo - ment and

live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

WORDS: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson
 MUSIC: Sy Miller and Jill Jackson; harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1987
 © 1955. Assigned to Jan-Lee Music, © renewed 1983

WORLD PEACE
 Irr.

Important Dates to Remember

Sun, 10/29 5:00pm	No Tricks, All Treats in the Triangle: St Paul	3-
Wed, 11/1	Fellowship Dinner: Saint Paul	5:30pm
	Chancel Choir rehearsal: Saint Paul	7:00pm
Upcoming events:		
Sun, 11/5	All Saints	
	SALT Class luncheon: Todaros Pizza	after Worship
Mon, 11/6	Bag Packing for Students: 100 Blassingame	10:00am
Tues, 11/7	Fellowship Luncheon: TBD	11:30am
Fri, 11/10	Office Closed: Veteran's Day	
	Parents' Night Out: Saint Paul	6-9:00pm

From Pastor Matt

(You can always reach me at 864-421-3800 or 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!

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 10/12-10/13. We apologize for any inconvenience.*

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: Gary Putnam 10/29; Lori Cheshire, Christine Hall 10/30; Benjamin Pool 10/31

Happy Anniversary: Brian & Tennille Crnobrnja 10/27. John & Becky Smith will be celebrating 55 years together on 10/28. Congratulations!

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, Karsyn Miller, Alan Myers, Faye Mulligan, Ronnie Roberts, Diane Robertson, Beth Rogers, Allison Royster, Joyce Searcy, Nancy Smith, Suzanne Sprinkle, Alicia Terminato, *Lily Thompson*, 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 NOT be meeting in November. 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 11/13 at 8pm via Zoom. Members are Rebecca Roper, Troy Gamble, Steve Vaughn, Edna Patterson, and Christine Hall. This is a closed meeting.



Finance Committee: Will be meeting on 11/20 at 8pm via Zoom. See you in November. Members are Becky Hollifield, David Knobloch, Tommy Head, Stephen Newman, Eugenia Vicars, Edna Patterson, Jimmie-Lou Vaughn, and Tracey Biggers. All are welcome!



Church Council: Will be meeting on 11/27 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



Tables needed! If you have tailgating tables or fold up tables that you would be willing to let us use for the All Treats, No Tricks in the Triangle Block Party, please contact Edna Patterson or bring them by the church. We will need them by the 28th. Thank you!



All Treats, No Tricks in the Triangle: Come out for a fun time with the neighborhood as we host our All Treats, No Tricks in the Triangle Block Party on 10/29 from 3 to 5pm. There will be trunk-or-treating, crafts, games, music, face painting, character visits, and fun for all ages. Please consider volunteering for trunk-or-treating, donations of candy, or running one of the craft or games tables. **We still need volunteers!** Let's come have fun together!



Fellowship Dinner: Join us on 11/1 for dinner and fellowship. We will be having Chicken, creamed corn, peas, a dessert and beverage. Donations will go to School Missions fund. Please RSVP at: <https://forms.gle/2G21bpr2w61TFy9Y9>



All Saints: [All Saints Sunday is 11/5. The banner has been placed in the narthex. Please place the name of your loved one on it in remembrance.](#)



SALT Class: The SALT Class will be enjoying lunch after church on Sunday, 11/5, at Todaros Pizza on Markley Street.



Packing of Food Bags: We will be going to the MT Anderson Support Center on 11/6 at 10am to help pack food bags for Greenville County students in need. Join us at 100 Blassingame Road in Greenville and lend a hand!



Women's Community: We will be meeting on 11/14 from 6 to 9 pm at Saint Paul in the Fellowship Hall for a paint night. Please RSVP using this link: <https://forms.gle/YG7aEdkY54pozgrdA>. Once you have RSVP'd please email Carolnacolors864@yahoo.com to be invoiced for the paint night. The cost is \$45 plus \$5 if you want word stencils. If you have any questions, please contact Rebecca Roper or the church office.



Kids4Christ and Little Lambs: Our children's choirs have started back rehearsing during the Sunday School hour. Kids4Christ will be practicing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays and Little Lambs will be practicing on the 2nd and 4th Sundays. Please try to have them here to practice so that they can sing in an upcoming worship service. Thank you!

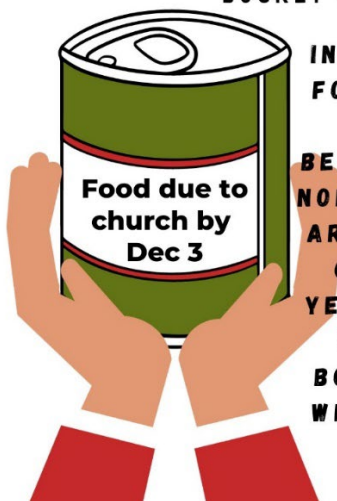


Christmas Gifts: We are partnering with Greenville County Schools to sponsor 30 children that need our help this Christmas. If you are interested in buying gifts for a child, partnering with a friend to buy gifts for a child, or just want to donate toward gifts, please sign up at this link: <https://forms.gle/jc9avfpQ8wr4YiN86> or donate to our school missions fund and make a note it is for Christmas gifts. Thank you!

FOOD DRIVE

FOR THE SENIOR ADULTS AT THE
STERLING COMMUNITY CENTER

FOR BEST STEWARDSHIP PLEASE SEE THE LIST
OF ITEMS AND QUANTITY NEEDED IN THE
NARTHEX OR DROP SOME CHANGE IN THE
BUCKET UNDER IT!



IN THE PAST, BOXES OF
FOOD HAVE BEEN GIVEN
TO THESE SENIORS
BECAUSE MANY OF THEIR
NORMAL FOOD RESOURCES
ARE NOT OPEN BETWEEN
CHRISTMAS AND NEW
YEARS DAY. WITH FUNDS
NOT AVAILABLE FOR
BOXES THIS YEAR, MAY
WE AT SAINT PAUL UMC
FILL THE GAP AND
PROVIDE!