

The St. Paul United Methodist Church Bulletin

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 a.m. – Illges Chapel/M250

9:00 a.m. – Contemporary Worship Center/M270

10:55 a.m. – Sanctuary/M260

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PRAY FOR OUR NATION AND OUR LEADERS

Every year, our St. Paul Youth takes a trip up to the Ocoee River in Copperhill, Tennessee, during the fall, and every year we are so amazed at how awesome our Heavenly Father is! This year was a very unique trip. Half of our group had never been on the Fall Retreat, while the other half had been coming for years; there was unity that naturally clicked with this particular group of teens and it was amazing to watch. Each morning and night we would gather together with other youth groups to enjoy some powerful and spirit-filled worship by the Kyle Edenfield Band and see some pretty crazy magic tricks that told the story of the gospel by Shane Wilbanks.

During each worship session, we were amazed to watch kids linking arms with other kids from different churches in different cities, to watch youth groups pray over other youth groups. And all we could think is "this is just a small glimpse of what it'll be like in Heaven when we are all united and praising Jesus together."

Of course, we can't forget - rafting! We enjoyed some warm weather and a lot of rapids! If I could speak for the kids, I think they would say the best part of rafting was the bus ride to and from the river - when you put two youth groups together on a bus, there's no telling how many Taylor Swift songs they will sing!

We are grateful, we are blessed, and we are forever amazed at the work of an almighty loving God! Praise Him for such a successful Fall Retreat!

Laura Marvets and Sally Bowden
Directors of Youth Ministry

SUNDAY PARKING AT ST. PAUL

In an effort to welcome visitors and those less mobile, please park in our existing parking lot spaces. At the same time, it is difficult for our members, visitors, and neighbors to adequately see pedestrians and moving vehicles when both sides of Wildwood and Forest Avenues are lined with vehicles. Because of the size of our church, there will be parking on the street, but if we could consider our existing parking lots first, that would be most helpful. We also run a shuttle bus before and after the 10:55 a.m. worship service for those who park in the Columbus High School parking lot.

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Green

September 8, 2019

Acolyte Consecration Sunday

The Church Gathers for Worship (*Please take this moment to silence your mobile devices.*)

The Parish Concerns & Announcements

The Choral Call to Worship: *"This Is the Day"*

The Chiming of the Hour

The Flame Comes to the Altar

The Prelude: *"Pisgah"*.....Dale Wood

*The Hymn of Celebration: *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*.....No. 154

*The Minister: *"Let Us Unite in the Historic Confession of the Christian Church"*

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.

*The Gloria Patri

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.

(10:55) Acolyte Recognition & Consecration Service.....Mrs. Donna Hightower

Graduating 6th Grade Acolytes:

Hannah Alexander	Knox Amos	Mackenzie Baez	Sally Beck
Walker Brewer	Sammy Buracker	John Cowley	Whit Hightower
Gray Jones	James Kilgore	Lawson Mansfield	Charlie Martin
John Martin	Riley Martin	Carley Mayhew	Jenna Mayhew
Charlie Norris	Sarah Pease	Katie Ritchie	Carter Rumph
David Rumph	Zack Shaw	Maddie Steele	Clara Tebeau
Gigi Waldrep			

The Consecration of New Acolytes:

The Acolytes will come to the altar with their parent(s).

Each, in turn, will kneel and be consecrated after the charge.

Jennings Baker	Tom Campbell	Case Carver	Bobby David
William Flournoy	Hardy Forsberg	Sally Fowler	Kate Grubb
Louise Gudger	Blair Harrison	Sawyer Hightower	Lulie King
Jack Pease	Reynolds Pease	Hawkins Raybon	

As each candidate kneels, hands are placed upon them and they are consecrated with these words.

"(Name), Take Thou the authority of an Acolyte in the Church of Jesus Christ. Serve His Altar with devotion and honor. Amen."

Minister: Today, you stand before God's Altar, having been trained for the office of an Acolyte assigned to His Holy Altar's service. I ask you now to make your prayer unto God, asking for His grace to fulfill this office. Let us pray;

Acolytes: *"Holy Father, thank you for the privilege that is mine as I am consecrated an acolyte. I commit unto You my best. Amen."*

The Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer.....The Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

The Minister: *"Let Us Worship God with His Tithes and Our Offerings"*

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertories:

(8:30) "Andante" J. S. Bach
(10:55) "With a Voice of Singing" R. Shaw

With a voice of singing, declare ye this and let it be heard, Alleluia! Utter it even unto the ends of the Earth. The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia! Oh Be Joyful in God All Ye Lands! Oh sing praises to the honor of His name. Make His praise to be glorious!

*The Doxology

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

*The Scripture Lessons:

(8:30 & 10:55) Mark 10:46-52 & Romans 8:26-27 Pew Bible, pages 823 & 919

(9:00) 2 Chronicles 1:11-12

Minister: The Word of God for the People of God.

Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.

*The Passing of the Peace

Minister: The Peace of Christ be with you.

Congregational Response: And also with you.

The Registration of Attendance

*The Welcome to St. Paul and Recognition of our Guests

(Please take this time to greet those around you.)

(8:30) The Word in Song: "There Is A Redeemer" Melody Green

(10:55) The Children's Moment..... The Rev. Dr. P. Shane Green

(Immediately following the Children's Moment, children ages K4- 2nd grades are invited to go to Children's Church in the Contemporary Worship Center (M270); children 3 years and younger are taken to the nursery by parents.)

The Sermons:

(8:30 & 10:55) "Definition of Prayer" The Rev. Dr. P. Shane Green

(9:00) "A Choice of Instructors" The Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

*The Call to Christian Discipleship

(If you made a decision today or if you would like to unite with St. Paul, come forward on the last verse of our hymn of consecration.)

*The Hymn of Consecration: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No. 384

*The Flame Goes Before Us into the World

*The Choral Benediction and Amen: "May the Peace of God Go with You"

*The Postludes:

(8:30) "Largamente" George Dyson

(10:55) "Hymn to Joy" W. Held

*The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him

***Those who are able please stand.**

Organists: Mrs. Sue Dietrich, Mr. Wayne Martz **Soloist:** Mr. Cy Dietrich

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THE FLOWERS ON THE SANCTUARY ALTAR TODAY are given to the glory of God in loving honor of **Mizell and Julie Alexander in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary** by their daughter and son, Elizabeth Alexander and Robert Alexander.

THE FLOWERS IN THE NARTHEX AREA OF THE SANCTUARY TODAY are from the wedding of Katie Magoni and Jonathan Crowe, Saturday, September 7, 2019, and are given to the glory of God in loving memory of **Charles Magoni (grandfather of the bride) and Walker Bynum (cousin of the bride).**

THE FAMILY OF CHRIST AT ST. PAUL extends our Christian love and fellowship to our new members:

- **Becky Buck** of Columbus, Georgia.
- **Germaine Cole** of Columbus, Georgia.

CALENDAR & STEWARDSHIP UPDATES

THE WEEK AHEAD

**LOCATION KEY: (M-MAIN BUILDING *Y-YOUTH BUILDING)
FOLLOWED BY ROOM NUMBER**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8:

- 7:30 a.m. Praise Band Rehearsal (M270)
- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship (M250)
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (M270)
(live.spumccolumbus.com)
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages!
- 10:00 a.m. Welcome In Class (Y101)
- 10:55 a.m. Traditional Worship (M260)
(live.spumccolumbus.com)
- 2:00 p.m. Spring Harbor Worship Service
(Spring Harbor Skilled Care)
- 3:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (Boy Scouts)
(M130, M131)
- 5:00 p.m. Carol Choir Rehearsal (M235)
- 6:00 p.m. Covenant Choir Rehearsal (M235)
- 5:30 p.m. SNY Middle/High School Activities
(Y206, Y210, and Quad)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9:

- 1:30 p.m. St. Paul Staff Meeting (Library/M207)
- 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting (M234)
- 6:30 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting (M232)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10:

- 9:30 a.m. Precepts Bible Study (M230)
- 9:45 a.m. Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study (M232)
(live.spumccolumbus.com)
- 11:00 a.m. Grace Bible Study (M234)
- 1:30 p.m. Building Committee (M234)
- 4:00 p.m. Spring Harbor Weekly Devotional
(Spring Harbor Campus)
- 6:00 p.m. SPY Taco Tuesday
(Home of Sally Bowden)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11:

- 5:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Choir Rehearsal (M271)
- 6:00 p.m. Family Night Supper (M220)
- 6:30 p.m. SPY Open Mic Wednesday (Y206)
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12:

- 9:30 a.m. Preschool Mom's Study Group (M234)
- 6:30 p.m. Supper Club 1 (Home of Jo Fike)
- 6:30 p.m. Supper Club 2
(Home of Ed & Carolyn Poole)
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Banquet (M220)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13:

- 6:30 a.m. Friday Men's Study Group (M232)

THE MASTER CHURCH CALENDAR

Before scheduling a meeting or event at St. Paul, please contact Kathy Hollon in the Church Office at (706)327-7419 extension 201 or email your request(s) to Kathy@stpaulunitedmethodist.com

Faith & Love Stewardship 2019

Sunday School Studies	111
Combined A.M. Worship	249
Needs to Date	\$1,353,240
Receipts Last Week	\$18,983
Receipts to Date	\$923,510

HONORARIUMS

Capital Building Fund in honor of **MARY ALICE HUMES** in CELEBRATION OF HER BIRTHDAY by Larry & Ginger Harper; **GLENN KING SPRINGER, MASON & MARY LU LAMPTON** by Alice G. Douglas.

Wynnton Neighborhood Network in honor of **GLENN KING SPRINGER, MASON & MARY LU LAMPTON** by Alice G. Douglas.

MEMORIALS

Children's Ministry in memory of **BAILEY GRACE CHEEK** by Peggy Gray.

Rose Hill/SafeHouse Ministry in memory of **BAILEY GRACE CHEEK, DR. AUGUSTUS B. DUDLEY, JR.** by Janice M. Watson.

Wynnton Neighborhood Network in memory of **ROBERT (BOB) M. HALL, III** by J. & Linda Logan.

STEWARDSHIP OF SERVICE

USHERS:

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Huel White, Jr.
- (10:55) Charlie Jarrell (lead usher), Terry Moshier, Guy Kenimer, Jr., Jeff Beck, Bill Pound, Brad Hill

ALTAR GUILD:

(SANCTUARY) Celia Jenkins, Pam Shuler
(CHAPEL) Whitney Pease, Cathryn Pease

FLOWER REARRANGING & DELIVERY:

Faith Curran, Susan Middlebrooks

ACOLYTES:

(8:30) Kate Tebeau, Sawyer Hightower
(10:55) Rand Jones, Thomas Caves
(Helper) Grace Bailey

(10:55) CROSS BEARER

Whit Hightower

CHILDREN'S CHURCH HELPERS:

Donna & Roy Hightower

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS:

Tommy & Sally Watkins

REGISTRATION COLLECTOR:

Lillie Nelson

GREETERS:

- (8:30) Huel White, Jr. (Chapel)
- (9:00) George & Jean Flowers (CWC)
- (10:55) Julie Alexander, Elizabeth Alexander (Sanctuary)
Larry & Ginger Harper (Chapel)
Brent Parker, Huel White, Jr. (SS Hallway)

PRAYER GUILD:

Sherry Evans, Pat Lane, Mary Pat King, Peggy Bladen

MEALS ON WHEELS:

Carol Auten, Sonny Middlebrooks, Mary Greenhaw, Jean Lorentz, Knoxie Heister

CONNECTION OPPORTUNITIES

ANY UPDATES TO YOUR CONTACT INFO? WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As the summer ends and new routines begin, this might be a great time to update your contact information in ACS (our church's database) and to sign up for the On-line Directory which can be on your phone for easy access. Connection and communication is so important for our church family. Remember, go to spumccolumbus.com and click on "member portal" to login, using the email address the church has for you. You create your own password and update your profile contact information. Then use the "search" feature to find who you want. You can also update your own photo. To download the free app for your phone, go to <https://www.acstechnologies.com/church-life-app> and follow the directions to install "Church Life". Please reach out to Mary Lou Jarrell (marylou@stpaulunitedmethodist.com) with your questions (including, "I forgot my email address or password").

FELLOWSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Beginning this Sunday, September 8th, (10:00 a.m.), Rev. Dr. Buddy Cooper will start a new adult SS class in room Y101 (youth building, lower level). The "Welcome In" class will be for singles and couples who are not currently involved in Sunday school and would like to be. All are invited to come check it out and study God's word. The first topic will be the book of James. Please contact the Church Office at (706)327-7419 if you have any questions.

R.E.A.L. WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Our REAL Women's Ministry will kick off a new year of events on September the 19th. Join us for Cake Decorating 101 with our favorite cake decorator, Melanie Fuller. Melanie will guide us in decorating our own cake. The cost is \$30 and you may pay by check or by credit card. We'll meet at 6:30 p.m. in room M234. Refreshments will be served and a nursery will be provided if requested by September 16th. For more information please contact Grace Bailey at grace@stpaulunitedmethodist.com. Don't miss the opportunity to have fun and fellowship with some incredible women!

BUILDING RENOVATIONS AND CLASSROOM UPDATES

CHURCH OFFICE & STAFF ARE TEMPORARILY RELOCATED

Our short-term administrative office area is conveniently located on the Lower Level of the new Youth Building, with the entrance on the Forest Avenue side. Staff phone numbers and email addresses are the same. Come find us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS UPDATES

Room Y101: "Welcome In" Class	Room Y202: Youth (MS & HS)	Room Y204: 5 th Grade
Room Y102: 4 th Grade		Room Y203: 6 th Grade

(M for main building) (Y for the new youth building) (100+ for lower level) (200+ for upper level)

Rooms Y104, Y106, Y107 (First Floor Lounge) are reserved for our administrative offices all summer.

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER UPDATES

We now have a full salad bar with fresh ingredients, soup every week and homemade desserts. Look for menus to include your favorite entrees and side dishes. We hope you will come join us with good food, good fellowship and good programs and games. Reservations are no longer required (but helpful, if you can) as we want to welcome all to the table.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 PROGRAM -- PRESCHOOL & NURSERY TOUR

SOUP AND SALAD BAR @ 5:45 P.M.

SUPPER @ 6:00 P.M.

Adult Menu: Hamburger steak patties w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, baked sweet potatoes, dinner rolls, assorted desserts, tea and coffee

Kids' Line: Grilled cheese w/ turkey, veggie sticks, Jell-O, cookies, and milk

Family Night Supper Reservations (Family Max \$25) – Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Name _____ (Adults - \$7.00 _____) (3 yrs. - 3rd grade - \$4.00 _____)

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES/EVENTS.SPUMCCOLUMBUS.COM

ST. PAUL PRESCHOOL – “TEACHING TO THE TOP WITH LOTS OF SUPPORT”

Can you spell Old McDonald? E,I,E,I, O. Well, not exactly but it works for us at St. Paul Preschool. We are learning about farm animals this week. For preschool info, please contact Mrs. Nan Konze, Preschool Director, at nan@stpaulunitedmethodist.com or call (706)327-7452.

ST. PAUL YOUTH NOTES - Text @stpaulyo to for youth ministry updates!!!

- **Middle Schoolers** - Hey y'all! Hope you had a great Labor Day weekend!!! Middle school will be starting our “Face to Face” series this Sunday! We’re going to be studying the encounters Jesus had with people “face to face” in an exciting, engaging way... so basically it’s going to be FUN. So be here at 5:30 p.m. and bring your Bibles!
- **High Schoolers:** We have a very special night tonight at SNY. Alex King has decided to give his life to Christ - How exciting! Tonight we get the honor of hosting his baptism! Come at 5:30 p.m. for a big celebration of faith and dedication! You don’t want to miss this special moment!!!

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2020 – BEGINS SOON!!!

The confirmation program at St. Paul begins Thursday, September 12. Children who will be in the sixth grade during the 2019-2020 school year are invited to participate. The confirmation year is a wonderful time in the life of our church and for your child. The program includes class time, church visits to better understand our heritage, two retreats, and an opportunity to live out our faith through outreach in the community on “Mission Possible” Mondays. The purpose of the confirmation program is to provide experiences that facilitate your child’s spiritual growth, which will prayerfully lead to the affirmation of his or her own faith in Jesus Christ and to full membership in the church. Parents of sixth graders, if you have not received a letter with information and would like your child to participate, contact Donna Hightower at donna@stpaulunitedmethodist.com or (706)327-7419 extension 209.

THE DOCTORS OF ST. PAUL PRESENT: “LET’S TALK”

For 5th and 6th Graders and their parents, September 22, 2019.

- 4:30-5:15 p.m. – Dr. Kathryn Cheek meets with the girls and Dr. Todd Jarrell meets with the boys. Rev. Dr. Shane Green will meet with the parents.
- 5:15-6:00 p.m. – Dr. Cheek and Dr. Jarrell will meet with the parents.
- Recreation and Snack Supper for the children.

Only 30 Spots Available. \$15/Family. To register, please email Donna Hightower at donna@stpaulunitedmethodist.com.

OUTREACH & MISSIONS MINISTRY

WYNTON NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK UPDATES

I hope everyone had a wonderful Labor Day weekend and had a wonderful time with family. At the network, we had another record month. In August, we served 2,127 bags of food to 515 families containing 1,387 people, including 664 children. It’s also the first time we’ve topped 500 families in a non-holiday month. We helped 41 families keep their lights on, spending \$1,966.66, a bit below budget even though it has been extremely hot. Many thanks to all of our supporters for their incredible generosity in giving their time, food and money. May God bless you all! - **Sue Cheney Hiers, Wynnton Neighborhood Network Chair**

ROSE HILL/SAFEHOUSE UPDATES

Thank all of you for all your hard work and support of our lunch provided by St. Paul this past Saturday for the Homeless. We had a number of St Paul volunteers who helped cook, serve, and made deserts. By all accounts, we served around 140-150 people. It was quite a challenge, but we made a lot of folks happy. Our next dinner there will be near Thanksgiving. Again, many thanks. - **Joe Morrow**

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

If you or a loved one is in the hospital, has a baby, has a death in the family, etc., please inform the Church Office at (706)327-7419, so that we can minister to you/them effectively. In crisis, please call the **AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY LINE (706)478-5533**.

JOIN THE ST. PAUL FAMILY

If you are interested in joining St. Paul UMC or would like to learn more about our church, please contact Rev. John Fugh, Jr. in the Church Office at (706)327-7419 extension 205 or send an email to john@stpaulunitedmethodist.com.