

PRAYER LIST

Diana & Jim Stewart
 Hassell & Ruth Booth
 Arlene Groutt
 Leigh Vitale
 Mary Adkins
 Patsy Sparks
 Dan Toti (Wanda Garrison's son-in-law)

Bob Job
 Howard Gardner
 Greg Wade
 Elisha Hypes
 United Methodist Church
 Lynn Feggeler
 Joyce Stevens

Family of Christiansburg student recently killed in an automobile accident.

On Tuesday mornings we pray for the needs and cares of our Church Family, our Community, and the Larger World around us! We thank you for your support and encouragement for our Prayer Group.

This Week

Tuesday 9:00 am Prayer Group
 7:00 pm Finance Committee

All Announcements/inserts for the bulletin need to be in by Wednesday at noon. Otherwise they will be included in the following week's bulletin. Thank you.

This Week: Bible Reading – refer to Bible Reading Plan 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Proverbs 31	Job 1	Job 2	Job 3	Job 4	Job 5
Jeremiah 37-39	Jeremiah 40-42	Jeremiah 43-45	Jeremiah 46-48	Jeremiah 49-52	Lamentations 1-3

Pastor

Rev. Mooncup "Paul" Song

Church Secretary

Carol Gunter

Organist

Carolyn Mills

Choir Director

Heather Mills-McClaugherty

Secretary/IT Support

Carol Slaughter

Child Care Coordinator

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July 29, 2018

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship

Ten O'Clock

There is a nursery provided for your children during the worship services.

We offer a baby room during worship service at the Willing Worker's room next to the sanctuary.

Worship is wired to the room with nursing chair. Please ask one of the ushers for assistance.

Please turn your cell phone off or mute during worship.

Weekly sermon is uploaded to St Paul church website, www.Stpaulvaumc.org.

***Please stand for these acts of worship if you are able.**

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Gathering, Praising, and Welcoming with Announcements

*"What the Lord Has Done in Me"
 "Sanctuary"*

THE PRAISE OF GOD

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Bring your lives, bring your gifts.

Congregation: We all are welcome here.

Leader: Bring your hopes, bring your dreams.

Congregation: Our hopes and dreams are inspired by God.

Leader: Bring your prayers, bring your praise.

Congregation: We gather to worship in love.

***Hymn ♪357**

"Just As I Am" (v.1-3)

Opening Prayer

As we gather, nourish us with your presence, Bread of Life.
As we worship, fill us with springs of faith, Living Water.
As we learn, inspire us with holy wisdom, Eternal Sprit.
As we present ourselves to you as we are, forgive us, heal us, and restore our relationship to you, O God, by your mercy and love. Help us recognize our gifts and discern how best to share them for the healing of the world you created. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*Hymn ♪525

"We'll Understand It Better By and By"

Children's Time

Erin Birchfield

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist and People

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 31:27-34

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

Sermon

The Ultimate Concern of God

Pastor Paul Song

Response to the Word ♪162

"Alleluia"

"Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

We have been crucified with Christ, now we shall live forever.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Joys & Concerns, Prayer of Intercession

Pastor Paul Song

When each prayer is lifted up, all respond;

Merciful God, hear our prayers

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

"Prayer"

Robert Lau

Doxology #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.

*Hymn ♪540

"Just As I Am" (v.4-6)

SENDING FORTH

*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

William H. Doane

Sermon Notes

Jeremiah 31:27-34
The Ultimate Concern of God

Thank you for Serving in Worship

	Today	Next Sunday
LITURGIST:	Amanda Chrisley	Sue Speed
GREETERS:	Mary Lee Bush, Faye Chrisman, Wayne Bishop, Margaret Woolwine, Lucy Draper	Joe & Sandy Cox, Joe & Susan Chase
USHERS:	Wanda Garrison, Wayne Bishop, Foster Williams, Karen Poff	Joe & Susan Chase, Brad DeGeorge, Faye Chrisman
ACOLYTE:	Noah Petry	Isabella Petry
COUNTERS:	John Stevens & Russell Williams	John Stevens & Russell Williams

FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR TODAY in honor of the Wedding Anniversary of Joe and Sandy Cox on July 21st.

Congratulations to George Rust IV who is celebrating his birthday today, July 29th; to Nancy Mattox who will celebrate her birthday on July 30th; and to Eric Bass and Shelby Roope who will celebrate their birthdays on August 3rd. **Birthdays Blessings to all.**

The current address for **Annell Winbery: 201 Wheatland Court, Apt. 411, Christiansburg, Va 24073.**

Congratulations to Henry and Lisa Bass who are celebrating their **Wedding Anniversary** today, July 29th; and to Terry and Terri Mitchell who will celebrate their **Wedding Anniversary** on August 4th.

Joshua Spiritual Leadership Formation Group 2019, begins September this year. It is a ten-month program meeting once a month to help you growing in spiritual leadership. **Please register at: pastor@stpaulvaumc.org by the end of July.**

The Promised Land Taskforce Team had retreat to formulate St Paul's Vision Statement led by Coach Tom Nealley on July 14. They will meet again on Aug 12 for final drawing of the vision of the church. Please remember them in your prayer.

Bishop Lewis uploaded the latest update on A Way Forward on the Conference website. Please go and read it for your information and prayer: www.vaumc.org and "Commission on a Way Forward's final report available."

MANAGE YOUR GIVING ONLINE

St. Paul UMC is excited to announce that you can now manage your giving online! Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions and view your complete online giving history from anywhere you have access to the Internet. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at www.stpaulvaumc.org,
- 2) Click on the Give Now button,
- 3) Click on the Create Profile button, then
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions, or to make a one-time gift.

The Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday, July 31 at 7:00 in the Resource Room. The purpose of the meeting is to review St. Paul's current financial situation and to start the planning for the upcoming year's budget process. Please try to attend if at all possible.