

Thank you for worshiping with us today.

Welcome to St. Paul's, a Reconciling congregation of the United Methodist Church. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we invite and affirm you as one of God's children into our community of God's unbounded love. All are celebrated here and all are safe. As we gather inperson, we will err on the side of caution and expect all those present today to wear masks, covering the mouth and nose, regardless of vaccination status. Other announcements and more helpful information can be found on the following pages.

Gathering for Worship

(* - please stand in body or spirit)

Announcements (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Lay Leader

Prelude (10:30 AM only)

Incantation

Naji Hakim

*Call to Worship (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Lay Reader

Leader: We are called to bring a new understanding of God:

that God so loves the world.

People: We are the salt of the earth.

L: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

P: We are the light of the world.

L: We are called to follow the commandments and the law.

P: The Law of God is to love God, and to love one another.

L: Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world.

P: Come, let us love one another with the love of God.

Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

Opening Prayer (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Lay Reader

We will wait for you, O God. Your Spirit compels us to go into the wilderness, and we ask for the courage to examine the desert places in our hearts, and to be willing to face the adversaries in our lives — that which lures us away from

^{*}Hymn #62 (9:00 & 10:30 AM) All Creatures of Our God and King

being who you have created us to be. We pray for the courage to face our wild beasts and fears. Relieve the troubles of our hearts, and the devastation of our distress. Turn your love towards us that we may we know your grace in our loneliness and afflictions. We pray this prayer, knowing that you watch over us, and deliver us. We wait for you, O God. In the name of Jesus we pray: Amen.

Pastoral Prayer (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

The Lord's Prayer (10:30 AM only)

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.

Celebration of Appointment (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Lay Reader

Pastor: Dear friends, today we welcome Joey Heath-Mason who has been appointed to serve as our associate pastor. We believe him to be well qualified and that he has been prayerfully appointed by our episcopal leader Bishop Latrelle Easterling.

Joey, you have been sent to live among us as a bearer of the Word of God, a minister of the Sacraments, and a sustainer of the love, order, and discipleship of the people of God.

Would all other staff present please stand and show our support for Joey and affirm our commitment to his presence and ministry in our congregation.

To our congregation: would you, as you are, able please stand. Beloved in the Lord, as a people committed to participate in the ministries of Christ's Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service will you who celebrate this new beginning support and uphold Pastor Joey in these ministries?

People: We affirm our commitment to support Pastor Joey with our prayers, presence, gifts, and service. We also commit to supporting Matthew and Amaya, as they too navigate this new season. We will honor the boundaries of their family time, celebrate their joys, and walk with them in sorrows that may come. We will be a nurturing and nourishing presence to this family that God has gifted to be a part of us.

Pastor: Eternal God, strengthen and sustain us in this season of ministry together with Pastor Joey. Give him and us patience, courage, and wisdom so to care for one

another and challenge one another that together we may follow Jesus Christ living together in love, and offering gifts and talents in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ministry Moment: Staff Parish Relations Committee (9:00 & 10:30 AM) SPRC Leadership

Proclamation of the Word

1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5 (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Lay Reader

²⁶Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. ²⁷But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to abolish things that are, ²⁹so that no one might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰In contrast, God is why you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, ³¹in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

¹When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn #402 (9:00 & 10:30 AM) Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

(verse 1 only)

Sermon (9:00 & 10:30 AM) "Introductions and New Beginnings" Rev. Joey Heath-Mason

Response to the Word

Invitation to Giving (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

Offertory (10:30 AM only) Talk About a Child That Do Love Jesus

Calvin Taylor

*Hymn #94 (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Doxology

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Prayer of Dedication (9:00 & 10:30 AM)

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

The Great Thanksgiving and Communion (9:00 AM only)

The Invitation (9:00 AM only)

The Great Thanksgiving (9:00 AM only)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation.

L: And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

P: Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving and concludes:

L: And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

P: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The pastor continues and concludes:

L: All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

P: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (9:00 AM only)

The United Methodist Hymnal, #895

Breaking the Bread (9:00 AM only)

Giving the Bread & Cup (9:00 AM only)

Please receive the wafer and juice packet. If you choose to partake here, be sure to place empty wrappers in the waste bins provided. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer, you may take the communion packets and consume it prayerfully and safely at home.

Prayer of Thanksgiving (9:00 AM only)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Forth

*Hymn #2130 (9:00 & 10:30 AM) The Summons 1. Will fol if I but you come and low call me if 2. Will you leave vour self be hind I but call 3. Will the blind if I you let edsee but call 4. Will love the "you" hide if I but call you you 5. Lord, your sum mons ech oes true when you but call your name? Will vou go where you don't know and nev er name? Will for cruel and kind and your you care nev er your name? Will you set the pris oners free and nev er Will fear in side your name? you quell the and nev er Let fol my name._ me turn and low you and nev er Will the same? be you let my love be shown, Will be the same?. risk the tile you hos stare_ the same? Will kiss be you the lep clean, er be the same?. Will you use the faith you've found_ be the same._ In your com I'11 go_ pa ny Ö will will you let my name be known, you let my should your life at tract scare? Will you let me \mathbf{or} do this and such as seen, and ad mit to un shape world re the round, through my sight and to a -Thus ľl where your love and foot steps show._ move and life in and in be grown you vou me? an swer prayer in and in me? you you I what mean in you and vou in me?

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Postlude (10:30 AM only)

Festal Flourish

Gordon Jacob



WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary 1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen, preaching



SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by **Steve and Pat Warren** in loving memory of Dan, Laurie, and Kris.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

News and Upcoming Events

Renovation News to Know – *Out of Service*: The next phase of work will significantly impact the Narthex area; look for updates and signs as projects evolve! Parking lot areas closest to the church, nearby sidewalks, the parking lot door, and the Memorial Garden & Columbarium are closed. Restrooms in the office wing, including the accessible family restroom, are unavailable. Phones may be disconnected. We are unable to take drop-off/pick-up items in the office. The Octagon is closed. *This week*: Please use the front doors on Armory Ave. or the Office door on Mitchell St. to access the building for worship. Available restrooms include the Narthex (beside the cloak area), near Fellowship Hall, and the MultiPurpose wing. Accessible restrooms can be reached by taking the elevator to the 3rd floor of the Education Wing.

Offices Closed During Renovation – We do plan to hold worship each Sunday in-person in the Sanctuary as scheduled. However, for safety reasons, access to the building during the week is by appointment only. Staff will flex hours on-site to avoid peak construction times, or work from home. Email is the best way to reach us!

Today: Welcoming Pastor Joey – *July 10.* Rev. Joey Heath-Mason begins today as the Associate Pastor of St. Paul's. Please join us for a casual welcome reception in the Fellowship Hall following the 10:30 AM worship service, sponsored by the Staff-Parish Relations Committee You can find Pastor Joey's bio at *stpaulsk.org/we-are-all-about/the-pastors-page*.

Today: Kids with Compassion – *July 10.* While traditional Sunday School is on summer break, children will be able to participate in a variety of community service activities during the 10:30 worship hour. Adults should escort children to the Parlor across from Fellowship Hall at 10:30. Note: nursery care will also be in the Parlor and is available at both worship services. Questions? Contact Dr. Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org.

This Week: Still Wednesday – *July 13*. Still Wednesday, a time of contemplative practice, will meet once a month for the rest of the summer. The exact format varies, but typically includes about 20 minutes of silent prayer. Gathering in-person as weather permits or by Zoom (Meeting ID: 815 9385 9811, passcode Oliver), on July 13 and August 17 at 7:00 PM. Questions? Contact Kenzie Raulin at 301-237-1520 or Kenzie@krdesign.net.

Fifth Sunday, One Community – *July 31.* When there are five Sundays in a month, we will use the fifth Sunday as an opportunity to bring together all of our worshipers at one time to sing and pray together in a single Sunday service at 10:30 AM. Join us on July 31 at 10:30 AM!

Memorial for Nathalie Silver – *August 6.* St. Paul's member and accomplished scientist Dr. Nathalie Valette-Silver transitioned from this life to eternity on June 27. A traditional memorial service is currently planned for August 6 at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary at St. Paul's UMC.

Announcements: Ongoing Activities

Wednesday Bible Study: Summer Sermon Safari – *Wednesdays*, 4:00-5:00 PM by Zoom. For the summer months, each session will include viewing a particular sermon selected in advance by one of the group participants, and then discussing and responding to the message preached. To participate, contact Dr. Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org.

Daily Breath – *Wednesdays*, *9:00 AM through July*. These live online sessions are offered by pastors, staff, or lay members once a week, reminding us to keep us calm and connected through a time of sharing, prayer, or music. Daily Breath will continue through July then take a break in August before resuming on Sept. 7. Visit *facebook.com/stpaulskensington*.

St. Paul's Online Shop – We're now offering two colorful T-shirt designs. Very soon you will be able to purchase other items with the St. Paul's logo. If there's something you'd like to see in the shop, email Micah Smartt at msmartt@stpaulsk.org. All proceeds from sales support St. Paul's! Visit *stpaulsk.myspreadshop.com*.

Summer Break! – Many activities and groups that usually meet during the programming year are now on summer break. These include: Sanctuary Choir, Joyful Ringers! bell ensemble, Read-Thru-the-Bible Q&A Sessions, and St. Paul's Youth. We'll return this Fall!

Read-Thru-the-Bible – We are on a two-year journey to read through the Bible together. The reading schedule is available in the Epistle and online at *stpaulsk.org/community/adult-education*. You may jump in at any time. Our pastors host Q&A sessions by Zoom for those who would like to share questions and ideas. The next one will be held September 27 when our programming year for the fall gets underway.

Hunger Ministry Needs – We continue to serve hungry families in the 20895 ZIP code, even through the renovation! Your continued donations of financial support and non-perishable grocery items from our pantry lists make this possible. Find the items we need at *stpaulsk.org/service/hunger-ministry*. New volunteers and those able to step in month-by-month are welcome! To volunteer, email hunger@stpaulsk.org. To make a financial donation, visit *stpaulsk.org/giving* or make checks payable to St. Paul's UMC with "Hunger Ministry" on the memo line. Thank you!

Stephen Ministry – Trained lay-people provide comfort to those who need a listening ear as they navigate life challenges like birth and death, job changes, divorce, illness, or depression. Contact Meg Baker (mbaker@stpaulsk.org) to learn more.

Yarn Ministry – Meeting by Zoom twice a month. All crafters welcome! Contact Karen Codner (kdc811@gmail.com).

Prayerwaves – *Wednesdays, 10:00 AM by phone.* Call 425-436-6326 at 9:55 AM. When prompted for the "access code," type in 774042 followed by #.

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Visitor Information

Thank you for joining us! You are invited to tear out this section and leave this form with the offerings to let us know a little about yourself, or how we might be in touch. You may also email the office (stpaulsunited@stpaulsk.org) or staff to say hello!

Name(s).

No, just visiting.

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Maybe; I have guestions. Please tell me about joining St. Paul's.

Are you interested in learning more about St. Paul's? (circle all that apply)

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