



St. Paul's
United Methodist Church



Gratitude

October 9, 2022

9:00 & 10:30 A.M.

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. Masks are now optional in our building. We expect all members of our community to continue to show respect and consideration for one another, whether masked or unmasked, and to stay home if they feel unwell or test positive for covid. 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)

Lay Leader

Prelude (10:30 only)

Tiento (Obra de 6ª tom)

Lucas Puxol

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

Lay Reader

Leader: Eternal God, source of all life, for all creation, and for your grace,

ALL: with grateful hearts, we thank you!

Leader: Risen Christ, for your tender love, your healing touch,
your dying and rising,

ALL: with grateful hearts, we thank you!

Leader: Holy Spirit, for your mystery, for your beauty, for your power in us,

ALL: with grateful hearts, we thank you!

For our grateful hearts, we thank you!

May our lives be a prayer of thanks and praise!

*Hymn #433 (9:00 & 10:30) All Who Love and Serve Your City

Opening Prayer (9:00 & 10:30)

Lay Reader

God of infinite grace, fountain of life, you shower abundant blessings on us. You are a waterfall of blessing, a ceaseless spring of delight, the sun of mercy. Your Word is an infinite gift. Your presence is our eternal home. With gratitude we open our hearts to your Word, to your presence, to your grace. In joy, we look for the presence of Christ. In trust and gratitude, we listen for your voice. Amen

Land Acknowledgement Prayer (9:00 & 10:30)

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

Pastor: Creator, you made all people of every land. It is our responsibility to give thanks and respect to those who first occupied this land we are upon. We give thanks to Piscataway and Anacostan Tribes, the first people of this land. We offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land. We are also thankful for the gifts of the People of the land. Creator, let us be of Good Mind to reconcile the mistreatment of this land and to those who have been displaced. With thankful and respectful hearts, we pray in Your name, Your Son the Peacemaker, and the Sacred Spirit.

People: Amen.

Anthem (10:30 only)

Sing Praise and Celebrate
Sanctuary Choir

Dave Fischer

*Refrain: Sing praise and celebrate for this is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.
Sing praise and celebrate for this is the day, let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

O come, let us sing, let us sing to the Lord.

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence, into his presence with thanks.

Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. (Refrain)

Declare his glory, his glory over all;

His marvelous works among all peoples, for great is the Lord.

Let the sea roar, O let the hills sing,

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice. (Refrain)

Pastoral Prayer (9:00 & 10:30)

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

The Lord's Prayer (10:30 only)

The United Methodist Hymnal, #895

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.

Proclamation of the Word

Luke 17:11-19 (9:00 & 10:30)

Lay Reader

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart, give thanks to the

Ho - ly One, give thanks— be-cause he's giv-en Je - sus

Christ his— Son. Give thanks with a

grate-ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One, give

thanks— be-cause he's giv-en Je - sus Christ his—

Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the

poor say, "I am rich be-cause of what the Lord has

done for— us." And now let the weak say, "I am

strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich be-cause of

what the Lord has done for— us." Give

us." Give thanks— give thanks.

Sermon (9:00 & 10:30)

“Heart for Gratitude”

Rev. Joey Heath-Mason

Response to the Word

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

Rev. Joey Heath-Mason

Offertory (10:30 only)

Improvisación

Jesús Guridi

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

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFRUEN

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

Rev. Dr. Patricia Allen

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

The Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

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 and concludes:

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, 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

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.

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 packet and consume it prayerfully and safely at home.

Prayer after Receiving (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 #399 (9:00 & 10:30)

Take My Life, and Let It Be

*Benediction and Dismissal (9:00 & 10:30)

Rev. Joey Heath-Mason

Postlude (10:30 only)

II. Gloria

Craig Phillips



WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022

9:00 AM & 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Dr. Meg Baker, preaching



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

9:00 AM – 28

10:30 AM – 108

Online – 52

Total – 188



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

News and Upcoming Events

Today: Renovation News to Know – Please visit stpaulsk.org/community/renovation for more information and behind-the-scenes photos.

- *This Week:* Men's, Women's, and Family restrooms in the office wing near the Library are fully functional! (Some minor repairs still remain.) There is a water fountain with a bottle filling station in the office hallway. The pick-up/drop-off shelf in the main office is available for small items.
- *Out of Service:* The Octagon is closed. Parking lot areas closest to the church, the parking lot door, and nearby sidewalks are unavailable. The Memorial Garden is inaccessible. We are unable to take items for storage.
- *Weekdays:* The church office is open Monday-Thursday, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Please use the Mitchell Street door. Appointments are still strongly encouraged. Please email your clergy and staff! Our phone lines had to be removed during renovation and we are in the process of getting new equipment. Due to continuing construction and the school in residence, access to the rest of the building and grounds remains limited.

Today: Sunday School – *Sunday, Oct 9, 10:30 AM.* Children grade 5 and younger begin Sunday School in the Chapel; those who have not been pre-registered must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for walk-in registration. Parents/guardians should come pick up their children at the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service. Nursery care for babies and preschoolers is available during both the 9:00 and the 10:30 worship services today. For details, contact Dr. Meg Baker (mbaker@stpaulsk.org).

Today: SPY – *Sunday, Oct. 9.* St. Paul's Youth is open to all youth friends of St. Paul's! Middle School meets 4:30-6:00; High School meets 7:00-8:30. Youth are still wearing masks (for now). Remember to also bring your water bottle in case you get thirsty. Enter through the back door on Fawcett Street (underneath Fellowship Hall). Questions? Contact Mr. Micah Smartt, msmartt@stpaulsk.org.

Church Conference – *Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 7:00 PM.* Our annual church conference will be held Oct. 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM via Zoom. All members are welcome and those in attendance will have voice and vote. The documents being voted on will be the Pastors Compensation Packages, the Inactive Membership Report, Lay Leadership and

Nominations Slate, and the Simplified Accountability Model. Reports are available for review at stpaulsk.org/we-are-all-about/the-pastors-page. To join the Zoom meeting use Meeting ID: 840 7845 3871; Passcode: 474446, or by phone: 1-301-715-8592. The Zoom link can also be found in the Weekly News email.

Simplified Accountability Model (SAM) – This committee structure would allow St. Paul's to combine currently existing committees into two groups, with a goal of simplified communication among church leaders and a more effective ministry in our church and local community. Reorganizing our leadership structure under the SAM model is one of the questions that will be decided at the Church Conference meeting on October 11. To read more about SAM and find a *pdf with details, visit stpaulsk.org/community/calendar-events and click the button "SAM Guide."

Getting to Know Pastor Joey – Rev. Joey Heath-Mason, our Associate Pastor, invites all members and friends of St. Paul's to "open office hours," an opportunity to visit a little and get to know one another. Stop by as you are able (no need to RSVP). Here are the dates and times:

- *Saturday October 15, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM* in Reinhardt Park (directly across from St. Paul's front doors). Kids are welcome too!
- *Sunday October 16, 12:00-1:00 PM* in the Octagon Room
- *Thursday October 20, 4:00-7:00 PM* in Reinhardt Park
- *Sunday October 23, 3:00-4:00 PM* by Zoom (email joeymh@stpaulsk.org for the Zoom link).

Please email Pastor Joey at joeymh@stpaulsk.org if you have any questions.

Pancake Breakfast and Apple Sale Plans – The United Methodist Men are planning to have an Apple Sale in late October or early November and a Pancake Breakfast on December 3. We can only hold these events if we can secure a sufficient number of volunteers. Although the UMM sponsors these events, proceeds benefit St. Paul's and regional charities. There are plenty of volunteer spots for all men, women, youth, and even families. Please contact Jerry Watkins (j50.09w@verizon.net) to find out more.

How to Use My Bible – *Sunday, Oct. 23, 11:45 AM, Room 109.* Come find out how to navigate the Scriptures during this gathering for middle and older elementary children. Third graders are especially encouraged to attend – it will help them understand how to read the Bibles they received last month! While the class is designed for 3rd-5th graders, all ages are welcome, including parents and siblings. Please RSVP to Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org by October 20.

Tuesday Together with Friends – *Tuesday, Oct. 25, 11:00 AM.* The group formerly known as the Martha Circle has a new name, date, meeting time, and mission. All women and men are welcome to join us for Tuesday Together with Friends. We will meet once a month, on the third Tuesday of each month, at 11:00 AM at the church. We will continue to learn about interesting topics, such as Women of the Bible. Immediately following our meeting, those who would like to stay should join us for Taste & Sing, a time of hymn-singing and interesting hymn facts led by Meg Baker and other members of St. Paul's staff. Lunch will be served. For more information about Tuesday Together, contact Ginny Hagberg at 301-770-7624.

Taste & Sing – *Tuesday, Oct. 25, 12:00 noon in the Octagon.* We begin by singing a few favorite hymns by request, then explore the works of a particular hymn writer. There is no musical experience needed and no cost (although donations for lunch are welcome). Drop-ins are welcome, but your RSVP helps us plan! Please contact Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org if you plan to attend.

Fifth Sunday, One Community – *October 30.* 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. Please join us for a single worship service at 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary on October 30. Like last year, kids and adults are welcome to show off your Halloween costumes if you wish!

9:00 Lay Readers Wanted – You can assist with worship at 9:00 AM by serving as a lay reader, leading the Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, and reading the Scripture. Go to stpaulsk.org/community/calendar-events, scroll down, and click the button. You will see available dates and can sign up by simply typing in your name. Contact Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org if you have questions.

The Craft Fair Is Coming! – The annual St. Paul's Craft Fair will be happening again this Fall on November 6 & 13. The Craft Fairs feature crafts donated by St. Paul's members and friends. All types of crafts are welcome including painting, needlework, photography, cards, jewelry, glass, pottery, and more. As in past years, all proceeds will be donated to charity. If you have questions, suggestions for a charity, or need help with craft pick-up, please contact Karen Codner (kdc811@gmail.com) or Mary Revenis (mrevenis@cnmc.org).

What Classes Would You Enjoy? – St. Paul's anticipates launching a few course offerings in the coming months, with some classes offered in person and some online. For example,

we are considering resuming our Tuesday morning Lectionary Bible Study as well as our Supper & Study series later this fall. We want to hear from you about what offerings you would most likely participate in, and what other opportunities you would like to see. Go to stpaulsk.org/community/adult-education and click the button for the survey. You can also share ideas with Dr. Meg Baker (mbaker@stpaulsk.org).

Masks Optional – Masks are now optional for: in-person worship; meetings with staff; small groups; music ensembles; community events in St. Paul's spaces. (Masks are still required for staff & volunteers working in the Nursery.) We expect all members of the St. Paul's community to treat others with respect, whether mask-wearing or non-mask-wearing. You can read more FAQs at stpaulsk.org/worship.

UMCOR Disaster Relief – Donations to The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) today will go to relief efforts in US states and territories, addressing the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona in Puerto Rico and Hurricane Ian in Florida. Through local partners on the ground and its own trained early responders, UMCOR moves quickly to provide aid and remains in a community for rebuilding work that goes well beyond the initial response. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's UMC with "UMCOR - hurricane" on the memo line, or donate by credit card at stpaulsk.org/giving.

UMM Driver Service – The United Methodist Men's group now offers a driver service to take adult St. Paul's members to medical-related appointments in and around Montgomery County at no charge. A list of volunteer drivers is posted in the church office. Please keep in mind you may have to make more than one call to find a driver who is available for the specific day and time you need a ride. Contact Rich Higgins at rgh1954@verizon.net if you have UMM questions.

Announcements: Ongoing Activities

Joyful Ringers—*Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Room 109.* Come ring in our bell choir! To learn more, contact Tom Pedersen, director of music, at tpedersen@stpaulsk.org.

Sanctuary Choir – *Sundays, 9:30 AM, Room 211.* The Sanctuary Choir continues to welcome new members! We sing for the 10:30 worship service weekly. Questions? Contact Tom at tpedersen@stpaulsk.org.

Still Wednesday – *Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 PM.* We offer a weekly space for reflection, silent prayer, calm, and connection in a noisy world. The exact format changes week to week, but typically offers: poetry, scripture, or art; 20 minutes of silent contemplative prayer; a

chance to reflect privately or share. For up-to-date info, contact Kenzie Raulin (301-237-1520, Kenzie@krdesign.net).

Daily Breath – *Wednesdays, 9:00 AM*. These once-a-week online sessions provide a morning time of sharing, prayer, or music led by St. Paul's clergy, staff, or volunteer leaders. Visit facebook.com/stpaulskensington - no Facebook account required.

Read-Thru-the-Bible – We are on a journey to read through the Bible together using a two-year plan. You can jump in at any time. For the reading schedule and information about monthly discussion times, visit stpaulsk.org/community/adult-education

Wednesday Bible Study: Sermon Safari – *Wednesdays in October, 4:00-5:00 PM by Zoom*. For this Sermon Discussion Group, each session includes viewing a video sermon and then discussing and responding to the message. This is a no-prep, no-stress, come-when-you-can opportunity! To participate contact Dr. Meg Baker at mbaker@stpaulsk.org.

Lydia Circle – The Lydia Circle sisters will begin meeting the first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM starting in October. Ladies who are interested should contact Susan Schwarz at susan10748@aol.com or 301-339-8242 for more information.

Assistance for Migrants – The UMC's Baltimore-Washington Conference invites all who are able to support the work of Capitol Hill UMC in offering immediate respite to legal immigrants being bussed to Washington DC from Texas and Arizona. Please read more in the Epistle or at stpaulsk.org/service/justice-and-compassion and find contact information if you wish to donate money, items, or want to volunteer.

Hunger Ministry – We continue to serve hungry families in the 20895 ZIP code, even through the renovation! New volunteers and those able to step in month-by-month are welcome! Email hunger@stpaulsk.org. Find the grocery items we need at stpaulsk.org/service/hunger-ministry. 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.

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 #.



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):

Email:

Phone:

Home Address:

How did you find us? (circle all that apply)
Family/friend. Passing by. Internet search. Other:

Are you interested in learning more about St. Paul's? (circle all that apply)
No, just visiting. Maybe; I have questions. Please tell me about joining St. Paul's.

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Appointments encouraged! Please use staff email addresses.



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