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Continue to Celebrate Easter

Happy Easter---for fifty days! The deviled eggs and ham may all be eaten by now, but the glorious celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the grave is a reality that we continue to celebrate. The season of Easter in our liturgical calendar lasts for fifty days, but the impact of the resurrection lasts for eternity. Thanks be to God for the gift of life and life eternal!

In this season of Easter, we will explore LIVING and LOVING as people of the resurrection. The sermon titles and texts that follow will give you an opportunity to prepare your heart and mind for worship each Sunday of this season. Join me as we seek to understand more fully what the resurrection of Jesus means in our lives and in the world.

April 28 To Live for Jesus is to BELIEVE in Jesus John 20:19-31

May 5 To Live for Jesus is to FOLLOW Jesus John 21:1-19

May 12 To Live for Jesus is to LISTEN to Jesus John 10:22-30

May 19 Durand Hall will be preaching on the theme of "bloom where you are planted".

May 26 SENT by a Loving God John 14:23-29

June 2 EMBODIED by a Loving God John 17:20-26

June 9 EMPOWERED by a Loving God Acts 2:1-21 Pentecost Sunday---wear red!

I look forward to seeing each of you in worship. Remember to invite, pick up, and bring someone with you.

God's blessings,

Pastor Susan

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Welcome Our New Members

We welcome Mark and Lisa Hockman to our family of believers. Mark and Lisa joined St. Paul UMC on April 14, 2019 by transfer from Zion United Methodist Church in Prosperity.

Thank You

Dear St. Paul Church family,

Thank you all so much for the notes and gifts you have sent me. I really appreciate folks thinking of we through all of this. It is very nice to be able to see services on Facebook and be reminded of home. I'll be done with treatments in a few weeks and should be home in the summer. I'll look forward to seeing you then.

Jonathon Smith

National Day of Prayer



Let's pray for the next great move of God in America.

The theme, **Pray for America--LOVE ONE ANOTHER**, is based upon John 13:34

Please join us for
National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 2, 6:30-8:00 A.M.
Drive by Prayer, Coffee, and Doughnuts
In front of the church

Epworth's Annual Offering

TRANSFORM A CHILD'S FUTURE. Each year, Epworth Children's Home provides care to children in our own communities who have experienced abuse, neglect, and loss. Epworth's care breaks the destructive cycle and encourages children to aim higher in life. The physical, emotional, academic, and spiritual care they receive transforms their lives.

On Sunday, May 12th, 2019, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information, please visit Epworth online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

District Service Project

On May 25, at 9:00 A.M. we will participate in a District Service Project to paint the walls of the Social Hall at Crossroads Outreach Ministry (former Gassaway).

G.I.G. Kids

G.I.G. Kids will meet Sunday, May 19, at 5:30 P.M. at Saluda Park.

Please Note

Pastor Susan will be on vacation April 29—May 3. Rev. Ken Freeman will be providing emergency clergy coverage. His contact number is 803-727-3729

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Prayer List

Nursing Home: Ann Thompson, Kathleen Padgett, Irene Riddle, Eileen Quattlebaum, Lewis Bobb, Peg Bolton

Shut Ins: Linda Beber, Grace Givens, Helen Humphries

Military: Chuck Bearon, Ryan Caulder, Robbie Grafton, Parker Hite, Patrick Wilson, Matthew Rollins, Ben Walker, Ryan Matthews

Friends and Family: James Grasso, Rosa Eva Rankin, Joyce Smith, Jonathon Smith, Alden Beber, Henry Wilson

(Friends and Family will be listed for three weeks. To add or delete a name from the prayer list, please call the church office or use the prayer cards located in the pews.)

Memorials

In memory of Billy Coleman by M/M Jeff D. Griffith, Jr., Winifred M. James, James & Betty Jo Pinson, Samuel & Johnnie Stevens, Joe & Harriet Wills, Julia Wills, James & Annie Thompson, Jr., Walker & Connie Beddoes, Dan & Jane Guy, George & Robin Nicholson, Kay Rankin, Thomas & Connie Sample, Caroline Thompson, Kester Trotter, Richard & Mary Garza, Lynn Anderson, Wilbur & Helen Humphries

In memory of Doris Goff by Samuel & Johnnie Stevens, Walker & Connie Beddoes, Mary Helen Duffie, Dan & Jane Guy, Julia & Marshall Johnson, Thomas & Connie Sample, Julia Wills, Kester Trotter, Richard & Mary Garza, Trey & Gina Fingerlin, Wilbur & Helen Humphries, Lynn Anderson, J.N. DeLoache Sunday School Class

In memory of Ann McWhirter by Lynn Anderson, Mary Helen Duffie, Sandra Collard

Joint Meeting

The Administrative Team and the Ministry Team will have a joint meeting with Jim Arant at 6:30 P.M. on May 21 in the Social Hall.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1-Mollie Hallback, Tim Taylor, Manning Wills
- 3-David Cox
- 4-Kindra Wills Smith, Jennifer Wertz
- 5-David Werts, Jr., M/M George Wilbur Hopkins
- 7-Janet Mabe
- 8-Andy & Chesica Horne
- 9-Michael Pridmore, Rachel Perry Stoner
- 10- Zoe Horne
- 11-William Yonce
- 15-Marla Edgerley
- 16-M/M Mac Cromley
- 18-Davy Hite, M/M Charles Rollins
- 19-Myrle Holmes, Etheredge Rollins
- 21-Carrie Myers
- 24-Carol Bradshaw, M/M Brandon Warren, Ethan Altman
- 25-Lori Able, James Smith
- 26-Luke Taylor
- 27-Doug McDaniel
- 31-Kester Trotter

District Revival

Please make plans to attend one of the two services listed below in support of Rev. Love.

- May 1: Edgefield UMC, 7 P.M.
- May 2: Crossroads Outreach Ministry, 7 P.M. (former Gassaway)

The offering received at each service will be used for district mission projects. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Love, will deliver the message at each service.

Lend A Helping Hand

Anyone interested in learning how to run Facebook Live during the church service please contact the church office.

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In honor of Mother's Day

SUNDAY MAY 12

Mother's Day Pictures

Bring, text, or email a photo of a special woman in your life, past or present, to Maggie Wills.

She is putting together a slide show with music for Mother's Day.

864-993-0054 maggielargent@hotmail.com



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SUNDAY MAY 12

Graduation Recognition
Mother's Day
Epworth Offering

Prayerfully consider what God is calling you to give to Epworth Children's Home, a valuable and life changing ministry.

Graduation Recognition

SUNDAY MAY 12

We will honor our graduates on May 12 during our worship service. We will have refreshments immediately after church on the front lawn.

Our graduates are:

Reagan Fingerlin, Saluda High School Kaylyn Herlong, Saluda High School Chandler Johnson, King Academy Matthew Perry, Saluda High School James Therell, Saluda High School Rebekah Perry, Clemson University Jeffrey Miller, Clemson University

We look forward to gathering on May 12 to celebrate this important milestone in the lives of our graduates. THE EPISTLE Volume 19, Issue 5 Page 5

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

FLC= Family Life Center SH=Social Hall			1	2 National Day of Prayer 6:30-8:00 A.M. in front of church	3	4 FLC reserved by Maggie Wills
5 Communion	6	7	8 Girl Scouts 6:00 in SH	9	10	11 FLC reserved for Baby Shower 9 A.M2 P.M.
12 Epworth Offering Mother's Day Graduation Recognition	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 G.I.G. Kids 5:30 P.M. at Saluda Park	20	21 Administrative and Ministry Teams 6:30 P.M. in SH	22 Girl Scouts 6:00 in SH	23	24	25 District Service Project at Crossroads Outreach Ministry 9 A.M.
26	MENORIAL DAY	28	29	30	31	