

St. Paul United Methodist Church

A Good Neighbor

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First Sunday of Lent

Recreation Sunday

February 22, 2015



The Worship of God

Gathering

11 am Worship Begins

Prelude *He Who Will Suffer God to Guide Thee* Bach

***Call to Worship**

Let all who would know God's healing come this day and worship!

We are wounded and sore, weary from the battles of life.

Let us bow then before the Lord that in Christ we might be healed.

We come as we are, placing all that we have before the Lord.

God's mercy and grace are real, and our pleas this day have been heard.

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

***Hymn** *Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days* UMH 269

Affirmation of Faith *The Apostles Creed* UMH 881

Greeting

We want to know that you were here worshipping with us today, especially if you are a first time visitor. Please introduce yourself to your neighbors, fill in a Visitor's Card (found in your pew), and place it in the offering.

Recognition of Recreation Ministry

Blessing Prayer

The Word Read and Shared

Psalm 50:1-6 UMH 783

***Gospel Lesson** Mark 1:40-45

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Celebration of our Children

Children's Offering

Hymn *When Jesus Came to Jordan* UMH 252

Sermon Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Responding to the Word

Call to Prayer

Did Trouble Me

the Paulines

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father (Creator) 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.**

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Musical Offering

The Grace Divine

Chancel Choir

***The Doxology**

UMH 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below!
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts!
Praise God, the son and Holy Ghost! Amen.**

We Depart to Love and Serve

Announcements

***Hymn**

Wade in the Water

TFWS 2107

***Benediction**

***The Congregational Blessing**

Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

***The Light Goes Forth**

Postlude

*Stand as you are able.

WORSHIP LEADERS AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Presider: Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Liturgist: Laura Wells

Children's Time: Jeff McCord

Sound Board: Baedrian Cline

Ushers: Bryan Russell (head usher), Angela Russell, Don Wallace, Talley Wells

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Loving Childcare: TBD

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Pre-empted by covered dish lunch

Counters: Ron Rezendes and Michael Solberg

WE REJOICE TO WELCOME YOU to this service of worship at St. Paul United Methodist Church. We pray God's blessing upon you this morning. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you are just visiting, we encourage you to fill in a Visitor's Card (found in your pew) and place it in the offering so we can be in touch with you. If you are looking for a church home, look no further—you have found one at St. Paul. If this community can assist you in any way, please let us know. If you are interested in becoming a member of this church or want to talk about membership, please speak with our Pastor, Rev. Ellen Hopkins, after the service. **Welcome. Welcome. Welcome!!!**

Want more information about what's happening at St. Paul? We generally send out emails weekly. If you'd like to be on our email list, contact the church office at office@stpaulgrantpark.org or 404-688-7501.

Activities. Members, visitors, friends, all are invited to participate in the various ministries at St. Paul. If you need more information please call the church office 404-688-7501.

Every Sunday:

- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 8:45am **Worship First** (casual, contemporary service with Holy Communion)
- 11am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 12-ish **Hospitality:** Coffee, Cookies and Conversation (Chester Commons, most Sundays)

Every Wednesday:

- 7:00pm **Chancel Choir** [kevinhowardhill@gmail.com]

Youth Group Variable schedule. Contact Ashley Waite (waite.ashley@gmail.com) to be placed on her contact list.

Nursery is available for infants and toddlers on the 3rd floor of the education building prior to and during the worship service. After the Children's Sermon, children under kindergarten age may go up to child care in the gym on the third floor.