

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

*A Good Neighbor*

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## Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### August 23, 2015



# *The Worship of God*

## Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

### **Chiming of the Hour**

### **Prelude**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Beloved of God, live as children of the light.

**We clothe ourselves with faith and love, and the hope of salvation.**

Christ died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we are with Christ.

**We give thanks for Christ's saving work.**

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### **\*Hymn**

*Maker in Whom We Live*

UMH 88

### **\*Affirmation of Faith**

*A Statement of Faith  
of the United Church of Canada*

UMH 883

### **Greeting**

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

### **Blessing and Installation of New Organist**

## Reading and Sharing the Word

### **Psalm 84**

UMH 804

### **Scripture Lesson**

Ephesians 6:10-20

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God**

### **Celebration of our Children**

### **Children's Offering**

### **\*Hymn**

*Blessed Assurance*

UMH 369

### **Sermon**

Rev. Ellen Hopkins

**Responding to the Word**

**Call to Prayer**

*Bridge Over Troubled Water*

Chancel Choir

**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 Doxology**

UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Departing to Love and Serve**

**Announcements**

**\*Hymn**

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

UMH 462

**\*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**

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

**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!!!**

### **WORSHIP LEADERS AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS**

Presider: Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Liturgist: Joe Riddle

Children's Time: Talley Wells

Acolytes: Clay and Quinn Elrod

Ushers: Bill Ericson, Robin South and Dave Erwin

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Kolbi Lynn

Counters: Michael Solberg and Ron Rezendes

***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](mailto: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 **Adult Sunday School**
- 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)

#### **Wednesday:**

- 7 pm **Choir Rehearsal** ([kevinhowardhill@gmail.com](mailto:kevinhowardhill@gmail.com))

**Youth Group** Variable schedule. Contact Ashley Riddle ([waite.ashley@gmail.com](mailto: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.