

BUILT ON FAITH, SUSTAINED BY LOVE

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2016



The Worship of God

Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

*Call to Worship

Spring is about to break forth!

In all the land, new life is happening!

Feel the wonder and power of God's creative energy

Feel the awe and joy of God's love for us.

Let us worship God with a full sense of joy and expectation.

Let us open our hearts, our spirits, our souls, to God's lavish love. AMEN.

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*Hymn Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above UMH 126

*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 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.

Reading and Sharing the Word

Psalm 126 UMH 847

*Gospel Lesson John 12:1-8

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God

Celebration of our Children Children's Offering

*Hymn When I Survey the Wondrous Cross UMH298

Sermon Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Responding to the Word

Call to Prayer Jesu, Joy of My Desiring (Bach/Leavitt) Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer Estelli Ramos

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 Sanctus (Faure) Chancel Choir

*The Doxology #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise God, the Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

We Depart to Love and Serve

Announcements

*Hymn More Love to Thee, O Christ UMH 453

*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.

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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. Welcome.

WORSHIP LEADERS AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Presider: Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Liturgist: Laura Wells

Children's Time: Clayton Davis

Acolytes: Richard, Sam and Nicholas Quartarone

Ushers: Richard Quartarone (Head Usher), Angela Russell, Cooper Russell,

Marcus Merritt
Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Sarah Steely

Counters: John Mickle and Clay Elrod

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.

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