



BUILT ON FAITH,
SUSTAINED BY LOVE

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
October 16, 2016



The Worship of God

Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

*Call to Worship

We come before God as equal in God's sight.

God knows us thoroughly and loves us completely.

None of us is perfect and without blemish.

Yet God has called us children and asked us to be compassionate and responsible in our caring and witness.

We are called to joyful obedience in God's realm.

Thanks be to God who trusts us and pours abundant love on us.

AMEN.

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*Hymn

We Are Called

TFWS 2172

*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 19

UMH 750

*Gospel Lesson

Luke 18:1-8

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God

Celebration of our Children

Children's Offering

*Hymn

Deep in the Shadows of the Past

TFWS 2246

Sermon

Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Responding to the Word

Call to Prayer

Total Praise

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Sh'Kur Francis

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

Give Me Jesus

Chancel Choir

***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!**

We Depart to Love and Serve

Announcements

***Hymn**

Seek Ye First

UMH 405

***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: Leslie Truman
 Children's Time: Bryan Russell
 Loving Childcare: TBD
 Acolytes: Nancy Erwin, Camille and Claudia Tanksley
 Ushers: Bill Ericson (Head Usher) Bryan Russell, Dave Erwin, Eddie Hardy
 Altar Guild: Karen Merritt
 Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Spencer Adair
 Counters: Bill McKinnon and Sarah Adair

CORNERSTONE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Pledges:	33
Donors	40
Total Pledged:	\$202,368
Total Received:	\$ 58,651
Total Spent:	\$ 17,035

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 Treah Caldwell (miss.treah@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.