



BUILT ON FAITH,
SUSTAINED BY LOVE

Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2017



The Worship of God

Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

*Call to Worship

When God stands in the morning dew
And whispers Mary's name fresh from the tomb,

God's name is Life.

When God holds out hands to Thomas and tells him to hold on and follow,

God's name is Shepherd.

When God greets us this day in the rising of the sun and the song of a bird,

God's name is Creator.

When God finds us waiting here,
meeting and greeting us exactly where we are,

God's name is Love.

Let us worship the God of many names.

[<http://www.wpctiburon.org>]

*Hymn

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

UMH 381

*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 23

UMH 137

*Gospel Lesson

John 10:1-10

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Celebration of our Children Children's Offering

Jeff McCord

*Hymn

Where Charity and Love Prevail

UMH 549

Sermon

Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Responding to the Word

Pastoral Prayer

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Musical Offering

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

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!**

Service of Word and Table

UMH 12

The Great Thanksgiving

TFWS 2257 (Insert)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Communion Music

In Remembrance

TFWS 2254

Prayer after Holy Communion

**Eternal God,
We give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your spirit
to give ourselves for others
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Departing to Love and Serve

Announcements

***Hymn**

They'll Know We Are Christians

TFWS 2223

***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: Rebecca Wallace

Children's Time: Jeff McCord

Acolytes: Rebecca and Billy Wallace

Ushers: Don Wallace, Robin South (Head Usher), Patrick Lynn, Talley Wells

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Spencer Adair

Counters: Jeremy Varner and Michael Solberg

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 young toddlers on the 3rd floor of the education building prior to and during the worship service. After the Children's Sermon, children ages 3 through 2nd grade may go up to Children's Church on the third floor or remain in their pews with their parents.