



BUILT ON FAITH,  
SUSTAINED BY LOVE

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 6, 2017



# *The Worship of God*

## Preparing Your Hearts for Worship

### Chiming of the Hour

#### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

**As you came to Jacob in the night, come to us,  
that we may be satisfied when we awake.**

Jacob said, "I will not let you go until you bless me."

**The man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel,  
for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed."**

And there God blessed him.

**As you blessed Jacob, bless us, that we may behold your face.**

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#### \*Hymn

*Be Thou My Vision*

UMH 451

#### \*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 17

UMH 749

#### Scripture Lesson

Genesis 32:22-31

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### Celebration of our Children

#### Children's Offering

#### \*Hymn

*Cares Chorus*

TFWS 2215

#### Sermon

Rev. Ellen Hopkins

**Responding to the Word**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

**Musical Offering**

*Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown*

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**

UMH 13

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Communion Music**

*A Place at the Table*

Chancel Choir

**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**

*Now Let Us From This Table Rise*

UMH 634

**\*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: Larry Johnson

Children's Time: Clayton Davis

Acolytes: Anna, Ty and Jackson Davis

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

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Karen Merritt

Counters: Jeremy Varner and Danielle Hanson

**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 **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](mailto:kevinhowardhill@gmail.com)]

**Youth Group** Variable schedule. Contact Treah Caldwell ([miss.treah@gmail.com](mailto: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.