



The Resurrection, He Qi, China

Easter
April 1, 2018



The special flower arrangement on the altar this morning
is the gift of Elise Nanista and Candace McCollough
in memory of Rich Nanista
January 10, 1947—March 31, 2004

The Worship of God

Gathering

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude

"*Jesus est juste bien*"
La Frere DuBois

the Paulines and
the Chancel Choir

***Call to Worship**

He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

He is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***Hymn**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

UMH 302

***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 introduce yourself to your neighbors, fill in a Visitor's Card (found in your pew), and place it in the offering.

The Word Read and Shared

Psalm 118

UMH 839

***Gospel Lesson**

John 20:1-18

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Celebration of our Children

Children's Offering

***Hymn**

He Lives

UMH 310

Sermon

Rev. Ellen Hopkins

Responding to the Word

Pastoral Prayer

Esther Choi

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Musical Offering

Crown Him the Lord of Life

Chancel Choir

***The Doxology**

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**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 up-lifts!
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

Presentation of Gifts of Coins for the Stewart Center

Communion Music

*In Christ Alone
Halle Halle Hallelujah!*

Chancel Choir
TFWS 2026

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.**

We Depart to Love and Serve

Announcements

***Hymn**

Crown Him With Many Crowns

UMH 327

***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: Jeff McCord

Children's Time: Talley Wells

Sunday Shepherd: Henrietta Mitchell

Acolytes: Megan, John and Will Noble

Ushers: Don Wallace, Robin South, Patrick Lynn, Talley Wells

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Rachel Quartarone

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 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.

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