

## WORSHIP SERVICES

### March 4 – Third Sunday in Lent

Sermon Title: This is Love: It Is an Inheritance!  
Scripture: Acts 3:17-25

### March 11 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sermon Title: This is Love: Nations Rage Against It!  
Scripture: Psalm 2:1-6

## WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS

### March 4, 2018

Lay Leader: **Patsy Slice**

Head Ushers: **David Tomlinson & Wayne Catoe**  
Acolyte: **Daniel Johnson** Crucifer: **Trey Johnson**  
Greeters: **Carole & Glen Neil**  
Monday Counters: **Janet Howell & Nancy Kittrell**

### March 11, 2018

Lay Leader: **Don Walter**

Head Ushers: **Howard Cross & Tom White**  
Acolyte: **Anna Hodge** Crucifer: **Lona Beck**  
Greeters: **Jackie & Jimmy Griggs**  
Monday Counters: **Virginia Baird & Pat Willis**

## Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper Menu

March 7 – Prepared by Youth

March 14 – Pork Loin, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruited Slaw,  
Rolls, Cake & Ice Cream  
Prepared by Kathy Andrews



### Palms and Hydrangeas

We are now taking orders for Palms for Palm Sunday and Hydrangeas for Easter Sunday in memory or in honor of others. The cost for a Palm is \$20.00 each and for a Hydrangea is \$25.00 each.



Forms will be in the Worship bulletin and in the church office. **The deadline to turn in your order forms is Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>.** Please make checks out to Saint Paul UMC and write palm or hydrangea in the memo section of your check.

## Saint Paul Weekly Calendar

### Sunday, March 4

9:30 Sunday School  
10:30 Worship Service – Sanctuary  
2:45 Girl Scouts – CCC  
Confirmants return from retreat

### Monday, March 5

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
6:00 AA Meeting  
6:00 Al-Anon Meeting  
6:30 Cub Scouts – CCC  
7:00 Boy Scouts – McNair, Christian Family & Friends in Faith Classrooms

### Tuesday, March 6

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
9:00 Morning Glories Bible Study  
12:00 JOY Club – FLC  
6:00 Senior Adult Ministry Team – John Wesley Classroom  
7:00 Nurture Ministry - Conference Room  
7:00 Cub Scout District Round table - FLC

### Wednesday, March 7

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
5:30 Fellowship Supper  
6:00 Al-Anon – Susanna Wesley  
6:00 Creative Arts – McNair Class  
6:30 Adult Bible Study  
6:30 God Squad, Splash & Apostles in Action - CCC

### Thursday, March 8

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
2:00 Rail Road Men's Meeting – McNair  
6:00 Young Adult Bible Study

### Friday, March 9

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out

### Sunday, March 11

9:30 Sunday School  
10:30 Worship Service – Sanctuary  
2:45 Girl Scouts – CCC  
4:00-5:30 Confirmation Class – JW Class  
5:30-6 Creative Arts  
6:00 Youth @ Saint Paul

### Monday, March 12

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
6:00 AA Meeting  
6:00 Al-Anon Meeting  
6:30 Cub Scouts Meeting - CCC  
7:00 Boy Scouts – McNair, Christian Family & Friends in Faith Classrooms

### Tuesday, March 13

9:00 Morning Glories Bible Study  
11:30 UMW Meeting – McNair Classroom

### Wednesday, March 14

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
5:30 Fellowship Supper  
6:00 Al-Anon – Susanna Wesley  
6:00 Creative Arts – McNair Class  
6:30 Adult Bible Study  
6:30 God Squad, Splash & Apostles in Action - CCC  
6:30 Youth @ Saint Paul  
6:45 Bells of St. Paul  
7:30 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 15

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
7:00 Finance Meeting – Friends in Faith

### Friday, March 16

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare  
8:00 Mother's Morning Out  
Boy Scouts Croft State Park – CCC Bus Reserved

### Saturday, March 17

Edgeworth Project – Church Bus Reserved

## Please support our Outreach Minsters and Ministries

Rev. Rick Howell, Winthrop Wesley Foundation  
Lou Jordan, Francis Marion Wesley Foundation  
John and Susan McGee, The CRU Foundation

## Under Special Care

Alice Davis – Pres. Home (Summerville)  
Beverly Davis – at home  
Jack Huffman – at home  
Mark Lott – Charleston  
Bubba Matthews (Chasity's father)  
Lois Parrott – Methodist Manor  
Norma Phillips – Methodist Manor

Bill Roy – at home  
Richard Sowell – at home  
Aubrey Snipes – at home  
Ruth Simons – Methodist Manor  
Brooke Watkins – at home

## Stewardship Report

### OFFERINGS & TITHES

#### February 18, 2018

Amount needed: \$13,000.00  
Amount received: \$17,787.07

#### February 25, 2018

Amount Needed: \$13,000.00  
Amount Received: \$ 4,973.00

### YEAR TO DATE

Amount Needed: \$104,000.00  
Amount received: \$76,037.63

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

February 14, 2018 Ash Wed.  
6:30: 70

February 18, 2017  
10:30: 152

February 25, 2017  
10:30: 146



## Kids Corner

**Bible Verse:** In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.  
Matthew 5:16



Our Easter Egg hunt is coming up if you are able and would like to donate candy or small toys for the Easter eggs please drop off in my office.

Upcoming Events:  
March 31 - Easter Egg Hunt in FLC at 9:00am

**Please continue to collect Piggly Wiggly receipts.**

*Melody*

[beck.melody@yahoo.com](mailto:beck.melody@yahoo.com)

## Youth @ Saint Paul

The youth group will be joined by the 2018 Confirmation class in a few mission trips this Spring. We will be handing out hygiene bags at the **Parking Lot Mission** on **Saturday March 17th** (7:30 AM - 8:00 AM).

We will also be packing bags for children in need with **Help4Kids** on **Wednesday April 11th** (6:30 PM - 7:30 PM).

Please continue to pray for the Confirmation class as we seek God together in this time.

*Pete* [youthstp@gmail.com](mailto:youthstp@gmail.com)

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Please place all the supplies in the back pack, bring the kit to church and place it in front of the altar.

Other ways you can serve Jesus by serving children are to volunteer to pack the bags sent home each weekend by Help 4 Kids or volunteer in our public schools. To volunteer for Help 4 Kids contact them at 843-580-4111. To volunteer in Florence District One go to [www.fsd1.org](http://www.fsd1.org) and select "Departments," "Human Resources," and "Parents and Volunteers."

**Lent 2018 @ Saint Paul UMC**  
**This Is Love: The Acts of the Savior**

3/4	Third Sunday of Lent Service	10:30 a.m.
3/7	This Is Love Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
3/11	Fourth Sunday of Lent Service	10:30 a.m.
3/14	This Is Love Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
3/18	Fifth Sunday of Lent Service	10:30 a.m.
3/21	This Is Love Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
3/25	Palm Sunday Service	10:30 a.m.
3/29	Maundy Thursday Service	7:00 p.m.
3/30	Good Friday Service	7:00 p.m.

**Sympathy**

The Pastor and congregation express their deepest sympathy to the family of **Carol David Blalock** on his passing on January 31, 2018. A graveside service was held on February 3, 2018 at Tabernacle UMC.

**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the Altar Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup> are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Greg Snipes**, given by his family.

**Altar Flower Calendar Dates Available**

**March 18; April 8, 15, 22, 29**  
Call the church office @ 843-669-3134



**RED BIRD MISSION TRIP**

4/22/18 - 4/28/18

For more information on how to sign up, contact Mayo Collier @ 843-601-5968 or [mecjr123@aol.com](mailto:mecjr123@aol.com)

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**THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT EPISTLE IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7<sup>th</sup>!**

**A Note of Thanks**

We want to thank the church people for all the beautiful cards, food, and visits we have received. We miss seeing you all and appreciate all you have done for us while we are home bound. God is so good.

Beverly Davis & Carol Gordon



**John Wesley Class**  
**Annual Yard Sale**  
**Saturday, March 3, 2018**

7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Family Life Center

Call Johnny Hamer, 843-472-0164, or Danny Braddock, 843-245-4170, for pickup of **large** items.

# The Epistle

The Newsletter of  
**Saint Paul United Methodist Church**



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Website – [www.stpumcflo.org](http://www.stpumcflo.org)  
February 28 – March 14, 2018

*Serving Jesus for Lent*

There has been a lot of debate about school shootings and how to address them in the news lately. As Christians we certainly can enter the debate, but we are called to speak with kindness. We are also called to do more than just debate. We are called to pray for all children and to do even more than praying. We are called to share the love of Jesus with the children. Jesus' love is more powerful than anything. It can heal everything.

The love of Jesus heals the broken-hearted places for children who are suffering. Serving Jesus by serving the children makes an enormous difference. It changes hearts. It saves lives.

To serve Jesus the last three Sundays in Lent our mission focus will be on school kits **for first graders** at the **Red Bird Mission**. Our Mission team will take the kits with them to Red Bird in April. **Supplies for a kit are: one small backpack, one 1-inch 3-ring binder, one pad of primary paper, one package of assorted colors construction paper, one pencil box/pocket, 24 pack of crayons, twelve # 2 pencils, one pencil sharpener, two glue sticks, one large eraser, one pair of safety scissors, one 8 pack of washable markers, one pack colored pencils, and one ruler.**

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