

WORSHIP SERVICES

February 4 – 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

Sermon Title: A New Way to Proclaim

Scripture: Mark 1:29-39

February 11 – Transfiguration Sunday / Scouting Sunday

Sermon Title: Living in the New

Scripture: Mark 9:2-9

WORSHIP SERVICE HELPERS

February 4, 2018

Lay Leader: **Joan Daniels**

Head Ushers: **Ross Huggins & Richard Schubert**

Acolyte: **Anna Hodge** Crucifer: **Lona Beck**

Greeters: **Martha Collier & Patsy Slice**

Monday Counters: **Janet Howell & Nancy Kittrell**

February 11, 2018

Lay Leader: **Don Walter**

Head Ushers: **Danny Braddock & Howard Johnson**

Acolyte: **Laila Brown** Crucifer: **Alex Bergfeld**

Greeters: **Debbie & Robbie Lowman**

Monday Counters: **Virginia Baird & Pat Willis**

Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper Menu

February 7 – Chili, Soup, Corn Bread and Dessert

Prepared by Girl Scouts

February 14 – Spaghetti, Salad, Rolls and Dessert

Prepared by Kathy Andrews

Honorariums & Memorials

IN HONOR OF PETE & KINDRA LUDLOW

Given by The Upper Room Sunday School Class

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar Sunday, February 4th are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Linda Huggins**, given by Ross, Michael and Valerie.

The flowers on the altar Sunday, February 11th are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Mary Ann Walter**, given by the Chancel Choir.

Sympathy

The Pastor and congregation express their deepest sympathy to Don Walter and family on the passing of his mother **Mary Ann Walter** on January 18, 2018. A Memorial service was held January 22, 2018 at Slack Funeral Home in Ellicott City, Maryland.

Saint Paul Weekly Calendar

Sunday, February 4

9:30 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service – Sanctuary
11:30 Souper Bowl of Caring Lunch - FLC
2:45 Girl Scouts – CCC
5:30-6 Creative Arts
6:00 Youth Super Bowl Party - FLC

Monday, February 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, February 6

6:45 Christ Centered Childcare
8:00 Mother's Morning Out
9:00 Morning Glories Bible Study
12:00 JOY Club - FLC
7:00 Cub Scout District Meeting - FLC

Wednesday, February 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
6:30 Youth @ Saint Paul
6:45 Bells of St. Paul
7:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, February 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, February 9

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

Saturday, February 10

10:00 Pinewood Derby - FLC

Sunday, February 11

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

Monday, February 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 - CCC
7:00 Boy Scouts – McNair, Christian Family & Friends in Faith Classrooms

Tuesday, February 13

9:00 Morning Glories Bible Study
11:30 UMW – McNair Classroom
6:30 S/PPRC Meeting – Friends in Faith

Wednesday, February 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, February 15

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

Friday, February 16

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

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 - 24 Transom Court,

Charleston, SC, 29407

Bubba Matthews (Chasity's father)

Richard Sowell – Charlotte NC

James Stewart – at home

Norma Phillips – Methodist Manor

Bill Roy – at home

Aubrey Snipes – at home

Ruth Simons – Methodist Manor

Brooke Watkins – at home

Stewardship Report

OFFERINGS & TITHES

January 21, 2017

Amount needed: \$13,000.00

Amount received: \$16,817.80

January 28, 2017

Amount Needed: \$13,000.00

Amount Received: \$ 5,605.00

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

January 21, 2017

10:30: 150

January 28, 2017

10:30: 135

YEAR TO DATE

Amount Needed: \$52,000.00

Amount received: \$36,093.86



CREATIVE ARTS UPDATE!

Thank you to the children and youth who participated in the morning worship services these last few weeks. We have been blest by the Children/Youth Choir, Melody Bells and Celebration Chimes.



Kids Corner

Bible Verse: Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sin. 1 Peter 4:8



Our God squad class we showing Gods love Wednesday night, as they went shopping for Coats for Christ.

Please continue to collect Piggly Wiggly receipts.

Melody

beck.melody@yahoo.com

Youth @ Saint Paul

The Youth Group will be participating in the **Souper Bowl of Caring** for Harvest Hope on **Sunday February 4th**. We will have containers by the exits after the service to collect any donations you would like to give to help end hunger in our SC communities. We will also be **servicing soup** in the Family Life Center after the Sunday service to raise more money for Harvest Hope.

We will be having our **Superbowl Party February 4th** in the FLC from 6 PM - Just after half time! (we start cleaning up after the half time show). Please have your youth bring finger food, a snack item or a drink to share at the party.

Our 2018 **Youth Ski Trip** is **February 23-25**. The total cost per person will be **\$150**. We will be collecting food items from the parents for the weekend.

Pete youthstp@gmail.com

Two Major Improvement Projects Underway

The generous giving by Saint Paul UMC members has allowed the Trustees to work on two major projects that will be completed in the next few weeks. There is a new alarm and security system being installed by Alarm Alert. Our old alarm system could not be repaired. Parts are no longer being manufactured for it.

In addition to the new alarms, security cameras were upgraded, and new ones were installed throughout the campus. We are now able to monitor all sides of all the buildings and the classrooms in the Childcare building. The office now has an intercom and camera. This allows the office staff to see and talk to individuals without having to open the door. Having a safe environment for us to connect, love and grow is a priority for the Trustees.

The second project underway was funded by generous donations and memorial gifts for audio visual equipment over the past few years. There are sufficient funds now to install a whole new system in the sanctuary. This will improve the sound, increase the visibility of information on the screens, and provide a screen for the choir loft and the chancel area.

The Trustees continue to deal with heating and air conditioning, plumbing, roofing and other repair work for the six buildings on our campus. Please take a moment and thank the Trustees for their faithful service. 2018 Trustees are: David Saleeby, Chair, Ricky Bruton, Nan Grady, Johnny Hamer, Susanne Hodge, Barry Hodges, Michael Singletary, Patsy Slice and Tom White.



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

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THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT EPISTLE IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th!

Altar Flower Calendar Dates Available

February 11, 18, 25;

March 4, 11, 18; April 8, 15, 22, 29

Call the church office @ 843-669-3134

Women's Bible Study starting February 13th

HOSEA: Unfailing Love Changes Everything by Jennifer Rothschild

Discover the God who cherishes you. No matter where you are, God sees who you are and loves you faithfully. His unfailing love changes everything.

When: 9:00 Tuesday, February 13th

Where: Friends in Faith Classroom in the FLC

Cost: \$13.00 for the study book which will be handed out at the first class

Contact: Janet Howell at 843-665-5277 or jhstitcher@aol.com with any questions

The Epistle

The Newsletter of

Saint Paul United Methodist Church



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January 31 - February 14, 2018

Jesus Calls Us

Cecil Frances Alexander's hymn with the above title begins, "Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea." Life can be wild. Church, family, work obligations can overwhelm us and set us adrift from our anchor in Jesus. Even so, Jesus still calls us to follow him. Jesus still calls us to love. Jesus still calls us to serve. Jesus calls us to take our eyes off the waves and to trust and obey him.

This call is for every Christian. All the ways that the world divides us do not matter to Jesus. He calls us to follow him and to ignore all that. The call to follow Jesus is there no matter how high the waves get or how loud the wind howls. This is a call to share the gifts and talents that God gave us. It is a call is to serve Jesus in our church, in our homes, and in our community.

How is God calling you to serve at Saint Paul UMC? You can contact Melody Beck, if you are called to help with children. Are you called to help with youth? Contact Pete Ludlow to volunteer. Laura Novak is always looking for singers, ringers, and instrument players.

Right now, we need servants who are willing to help prepare for and clean-up after Holy Communion. Are you hearing Jesus call you to help with this? If so, contact Janet Howell at 843-665-5277 or jhstitcher@aol.com with any questions.