



Saint Paul United Methodist Church
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News For The Weeks Of August 13, 20, 27,
and September 3, and 10, 2018

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Return Services Requested

Prayers and Repairs: We will be starting a men's prayer group in the Fall. The group will meet for a devotional and prayer time, followed by a time of working around the church and community, for those who are interested. Stay tuned for more details.

Epworth Is Our Ministry! Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Currently, over 70 children call Epworth home. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 122 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 9th, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

Spartanburg District United Methodist Day: October 6th

Do you have a ministry you'd like to let the Spartanburg District and your surrounding communities know about? A service that you provide and would like to make others aware of? A major program, an annual event or holiday specials you'd love to have great attendance? Join together for a day of worship, education, fun, food, good conversation and great fellowship on October 6th at St. Luke UMC, 105 McKay Ave., Spartanburg, from 9:00AM until 2:00PM. For more information, there are flyers hanging around the church, or you may call or email Annie R. Crocker, Director of Spartanburg District Lay Servant Ministry (864-381-3098 or sprcrocker7@aol.com).

Volunteers for August 19, & 26, and September 2, 9, & 16, 2018

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| | 08/19 | Caroline Greer |
| Bread Taker | 08/26 | Wanda Steele |
| | 09/02 | Linda Whisnant |
| | 09/09 | Lillian Hudson |
| | 09/16 | Page Candler |
| Communion Assistants | 09/02 | Bill & Bobbi Duncan |
| | 08/19 | Dinie Koller |
| Nursery Aide | 08/26 | Lois Reinhardt |
| | 09/02 | JoAnn Calhoun |
| | 09/09 | JoAnn Brown |
| | 09/16 | Jane Pittman |
| Children's Church | 08/19 | Mickey Wingo |
| | 08/26 | Marsha Milford |
| | 09/02 | Brenda Ethington |
| | 09/09 | Nancy Bane |
| | 09/16 | Mickey Wingo |
| Worship Greeters | 08/19 | Lillian Hudson, Dixie Hubbard |
| | 08/26 | Jim & Marian Hampton |
| | 09/02 | Dan & Linda Cooke |
| | 09/09 | Ed & Judy Lamb |
| | 09/16 | Connie Muzzy, Frances Maness |
| Worship Ushers | 08/19 | Bob McFarland, Jon Schanen, Bill & Bobbi Duncan |
| | 08/26 | Guy Davis, Delton Vereen, Bill Myers, Sam Whitt |
| | 09/02 | Robert Ezell, Phil Womble, Austin Birch, Jon Godfrey |
| | 09/09 | Dan & Linda Cooke, Rick Harward, Stephen Stamm |
| | 09/16 | Fern Powell, Mike Byers, Kermit Williams |
| Liturgist | 08/19 | Suzanne Metts |
| | 08/26 | Paula Fernandez |
| | 09/02 | Chris Boyett |
| | 09/09 | Fern Powell |
| | 09/16 | Roland Smith |
| Acolyte / Crucifer | 08/19 | Madison Cooksey |
| | 08/26 | Ansley Vereen |
| | 09/02 | Natalie Koller / Lydia Vereen |
| | 09/09 | Ansley Vereen |
| | 09/16 | Madison Cooksey |
| Sound System | 08/19 | Don Wasness |
| | 08/26 | Phil Womble |
| | 09/02 | Guy Davis |
| | 09/09 | A.D. Page, Jr. |
| | 09/16 | Don Wasness |
| Offering Depositor | 08/19 | Delton Vereen |
| | 08/26 | Barbara Barnes |
| | 09/02 | Richard Petty |
| | 09/09 | Sam Foster |
| | 09/16 | Chip Steele |

Altar Guild - August: Caroline Greer, Ann Karegeannes, Connie Muzzy, Susan Owens; **September:** Johnsie Page - Chair; Eileen Byers, Nancy Curry, Michele Bishop

The Pastor's Pen

We are pleased to be adding to our staff at Saint Paul beginning in September. The staff Parish Relations Committee is recommending to the Board of Stewards that we continue to have a youth ministry intern to support our work with young people. Additionally, there will be a recommendation that we add a new position to support our work with children. Both positions will be very much part-time. We hope to introduce our new staff members to the congregation soon, after the Board of Stewards votes on the recommendations.

It may be helpful to know just what it is we are hoping to address with the program staff additions. The following are some of the job responsibilities for each of the positions.

Children's Ministry Coordinator

- Plan and implement Sunday morning program for children up to age five
- Coordinate all volunteers/staff for nurseries, Sunday School, and Children's Church
- Plan and staff with volunteers all seasonal children's program activities to include, but not limited to: Vacation Bible School, Easter Egg Hunt, Christmas program
- Work with Music Director to form a children's choir
- Assist all volunteer leaders with identifying and purchasing curriculum, as needed
- Serve as a member of the church Planning Council
- Submit annual budget requests for children's ministry
- Submit weekly calendar and bulletin information to the church secretary, as needed
- Assure that Safe Sanctuary policies are followed in all children's ministries' activities
- Other duties, as assigned

Youth Ministry Coordinator

- Plan and implement Sunday morning and evening activities for youth grades 6-12
- Recruit and coordinate all volunteers for youth ministry programs
- Plan and implement all special youth activities including, but not limited to: Salkehatchie Summer Service, Revolution Conference youth rally, other mission projects
- Plan and conduct an annual youth Sunday worship service
- In conjunction with volunteers, submit annual budget requests for youth ministry
- Submit weekly calendar and bulletin information to the church secretary, as needed
- Assure that Safe Sanctuary policies are followed in all youth ministry activities
- Other duties, as assigned

Stay tuned for an announcement soon.

Hope To See You Soon In
Worship and Sunday School,

Big John



Children & Youth Birthdays

Sept. 9 Haddie-Lynn Scales

Sept. 12 Abby Hampton

Upcoming Events

Every Monday Scouts 6:30pm

Every Wednesday Choir Practice 6:45pm

Every Thursday Cub Scouts 6:30pm

Every Sunday UMYF 4:30pm
(unless otherwise noted)

1st Monday of Each Month Preschool Board Meeting 4:00pm

September 2 UMM Breakfast 7:30am

September 30 Joint Sunday School Class 9:00am
Laity Sunday

Financials & Attendance

| | <u>July 22</u> | <u>July 29</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Received | \$24,031.25 | \$9,247.00 |
| Non-Contributed | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Restricted | \$636.00 | \$241.00 |
| Total | \$23,395.25 | \$9,006.00 |
| Sunday School | 74 | 67 |
| Worship Service | 156 | 151 |

| | <u>August 5</u> | <u>August 12</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Received | \$14,602.00 | \$8,577.00 |
| Non-Contributed | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Restricted | \$745.00 | \$300.00 |
| Total | \$13,857.00 | \$8,277.00 |
| Sunday School | 71 | 69 |
| Worship Service | 138 | 141 |

Birthdays

August 17 Don Wasness, Allen Lassiter

August 18 Louise Horde, Jason Traxler

August 19 Penny Smith

August 20 Mike Byers, Brenda Ethington

August 21 Gregory Koller

August 22 Jody Stewart, Tony Grant, Sam Foster, Andy Jackson, Audra Omer

August 23 Nell Davis

August 27 Suzanne Metts

August 30 Jean Ogden

September 1 Eileen Byers

September 5 Sally Kay

September 6 Nelson Smith

September 7 Dinie Koller

September 8 Edie Hipp

September Jean Long, Bobby Metts

September 11 Bill Duncan

September 12 Diane Farley

September 13 Julie Freeman

September 14 Henry Calhoun, Alexandra McFadden Harman

September 15 Dorothy Fuller, Kim Buice

September 17 Marlene Wasness

September 18 Shirley Hart, Ed Purdy

September 19 Lee Owens

September 20 John Welter

September 21 Marilyn Glasgow

September 23 Mary McRae

September 24 Richard Petty

September 25 Camille Norris Whitlock

September 26 Bonita Cash

September 27 Marge Petty

September 28 JoAnn Calhoun

September 29 Lamar Davis

Altar & Narthex Flowers

Altar Flowers are given on August 19th for the Glory of God in memory of Dick Derrick and Barbara B. Strickler.

Narthex Flowers are given on August 19th for the Glory of God by Michael and Eileen Byers in honor of their Anniversary.

Altar Flowers are given on August 26th for the Glory of God by Suzanne Metts in memory of her parents, George and Connie Ongemach.

Altar Flowers are given on September 2nd for the Glory of God by Jane May in loving memory of Sonny Moss.

Altar Flowers are given on September 9th for the Glory of God by Jim and Marian Hampton in honor of their granddaughter's, Abby Hampton's, 11th birthday.

Narthex Flowers are given on September 9th for the Glory of God by Shirley Lee in memory of Francis Lee.

Altar Flowers are given on September 16th for the Glory of God by Kaylene Wilber in honor of her 1st grandchild, Weslynn Wilber, and in memory of the birthday of her mother, Katherine Bliley.

Our Spartanburg District has a new UMC Superintendent, Reverend Cathy D. Mitchell!

God Is Good! I have been blessed my whole life with the most wonderful parents and family. My husband has been amazing, all that he has helped me with. My children have been here with me all the way, especially my loving daughter. Bill's extended family have taken over caring and helping us in so many ways.

My Saint Paul family and friends, I thank you for all your prayers, cards, calls and gifts. I love each and every one of you. You are truly the blessings of my life. Thank you. I love you, Kay Berkeley

The Single Ladies' Group will meet on August 19th immediately following the 10:00am service. We will be meeting at The Grapevine Restaurant, 1926 Boiling Springs Road. Thanks!

The Threads Of Agape will meet in Poston Hall on August 25th at 12:00pm. Please bring your lunch and your knitting! Any and all visitors are welcome!

Vases Needed! Our Flower Lady, Wanda Steele, needs inexpensive, clear vases which you no longer use. She is using these to rearrange and disburse altar flowers whenever the donor chooses not to take them home. These are smaller arrangements which are given to brighten the day of another! Please bring to the church office. Thank you!

Blood Pressure Checks: One Sunday per month we will have our health care professionals available to check your blood pressure. Hypertension is a controllable condition and regular checks can help us keep watch over our pressure. Stay tuned for more details.

The Church Library: Penny Smith recently donated a fantastic group of books to the Church Library. They are in a series (we have 22) and are by Warren W. Wiershe. They highlight a how-to for Christians. A few titles include: BE Patient, BE Diligent, BE Holy, BE Basic, BE Dynamic, BE Compassionate and 16 others. Many thanks to Penny for sharing these interesting books. Check it out! Jean Ogden, Church Librarian

The 25th Auction For A Cause will be held on November 2nd, 5:30 PM, at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium. If you've attended before, you're aware that this is Uptown Sertoma's annual fundraiser for 6 local non-profits, The Bethlehem Center, The Haven, Upstate Family Resource Center, SAFE Homes-Rape Crisis Coalition, Camp Sertoma and The Spartanburg Humane Society. Last year, nearly \$90,000 was raised for these organizations.

This is a fun evening of silent and live auctions, free food and non-alcoholic beverages. Beer and wine are available for purchase.

Tickets are \$20 in advance. If you'd like tickets, please I'm happy to supply them. I hope that you'll be able to attend. Barbara J. Barnes 583-4192