

Saint Paul Global Methodist Church

*Making disciples of Jesus Christ who
worship passionately, love extravagantly,
and witness boldly for the people of
Searcy and beyond.*

May 5, 2024

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.
Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Online at saintpaulsearcy.org/live

Welcome & Opening Prayer

+Opening Song "All My Hope"

+Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed #880

Welcome to Saint Paul

First time guests are invited to stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer and receive a gift.

All worshippers are invited to scan the QR code or click on the attendance pad button.

Invitation to the Lord's Supper, Prayer of Confession, & Words of Forgiveness
Merciful God, we acknowledge that we have sinned against you by our thoughts, words, and actions. We have failed to love you and others with Christlike love. We have turned away from your holy commands. We have fashioned idols in our own image. We have not lived generously with the poor, and we have ignored the loving conviction of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us, Lord Jesus. Teach us to delight and rejoice in your law.

Almighty Father, our sin is apparent before you, and your judgements are true and just.

Merciful God, we long to be in your presence to be made holy as you are holy.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

+Passing of the Peace of Christ

You are invited to share your requests using the prayer cards or the attendance pad button.

+Hymn of Preparation "Take My Life, and Let It Be" #399

Children's Blessing *All Children ages 4 years through 3rd grade will be invited to the front and then exit together for Children's Church.*

Worship through Giving "Made For More"

You may also donate by going to saintpaulsearcy.org/giving

Please pick up your first quarter contribution statement in the Narthex.

+Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

Scripture 1 Peter 2:9-11

Sermon "Choose Purpose"

Sermon Series: Pre-Decide: Better choices, better life

Celebration of Holy Communion & the Lord's Prayer

"A Charge to Keep I Have" #413

"O Jesus, I Have Promised" #396

Opportunities for Growing in Faith

Senior Sunday Presentation & Blessing

+Benediction

+Benediction Response "Alleluia, Alleluia" #162

+Please stand as you are able

Serving in Worship Today

Praise Team Leader: Jason Coleman

Liturgist: Tyler Money & Jillian Conrad

Acolytes: Everett Horton, Flint Coleman

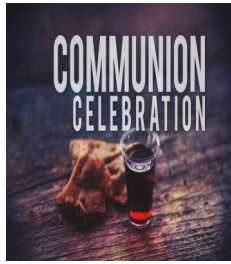
Ushers: Phillip Henson, Glen Norman

Communion Servers: Greg & Deena Bostian, Terry & Kelly Vaughn



Welcome to Saint Paul Global Methodist Church! Thank you for being with us today. We hope you can relax and feel at home. Please introduce yourself to the pastor and those around you. We are glad you are here! The people of Saint Paul worship every Sunday at 10 a.m. We hope you will join us again.

You are invited to scan the QR code (using your phone's camera and following the link) to let us know you are here. This is an easy way to share any concerns or prayer requests and to ask any questions. This is also helpful for us in encouraging you on your journey of faith, so please register your attendance.



Communion Invitation

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper today. Saint Paul observes "open communion" – meaning that everyone is invited and welcome to receive the elements, no matter their church membership or background. All who repent of their sins and place their faith in Jesus are welcome. You will be invited to come to one of the stations. Prepackaged elements will be available by request.



Senior Sunday is Today!
 Congratulations to all of our Seniors for your hard work!
 You did it!

High School

Linus Beauman	Olivia Coleman
Jillian Conrad	Tyler Money
Dallas Pence	

Masters

Lauren Brown	Noah Haile
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Children are welcome at all times in our worship services. Today after the Children's Blessing, they are invited to Children's Church – a time of study and crafts led by our children's ministry. *A nursery is available during the entire service for infants - 3 years. Ask an usher for assistance.*

Have you been baptized? If not, you are invited to contact Pastor Clefthon. We will have a Baptism Sunday on May 19.



Upcoming Meetings

- **May 5** - SPRC meeting at 4 p.m. in the Hospitality Room.
- **May 6** - Trustees meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room.
- **May 9** - Saint Paul Men's Ministry, 6 p.m. at Rib Crib.
- **May 16** - Little Saints Graduation, 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. LS Board meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.
- **May 19** - Administrative Council meeting at 4 p.m. in the Hospitality Rm.

Hats for sale! There are 3 different hat designs on the table in the Narthex. Please sign up on the sheet by the hat you would like. There are also signups in the newsletter with pictures.

Wednesday Night Meal on May 8

Menu: Hot Dogs

Sign up with the clipboard in the Narthex, or with the link in the QR code, or by contacting the church office. Cost: Love offering (To-go \$10 each)





Praying for the Nations One Country at a time. Let us remember to pray for the India Church Planting Initiative and for the Barbee's ministry in Thailand. This week let us also pray for India, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.



Surprise Birthday Party

The family of Bobbie Cumbie would like to invite you to Bobbie's "Surprise" 95th Birthday Party, Wednesday,

May 8, 2024 at 2 p.m. This will be at Providence Assisted Living, 3014 E. Moore in Searcy. Please call or text Mary Jean Norman at 501-278-0203 if you plan to attend. No gifts, please, but a card would be appreciated.



A new Sermon Series begins May 19; it is based on 1 Corinthians 12 & 13 (and loosely on Dr. Kenneth Cain Kinghorn's book *Gifts of the Spirit*). If you would like to purchase a copy of the book (\$5), please sign up in the Narthex or let the office know.

Wednesday Night Bible Study Options:

- *A Catechism of Christian Faith and Doctrine for the Global Methodist Church*
Led by Pastor Clefton (Margie's Office)
- *Uncovering God's Word* by Women of Faith
Led by Jennifer Harrison (Library)
- *Comedian Michael Jr.* at Life Church
Led by Dan Callison (W-E's Rm.)
- Men's Study led by Phillip Henson (Sanctuary)

Activities for the Week

Sunday, May 5 Senior Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Anointing Prayer (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 p.m. SPRC (Hospitality Room)
- 5:30 p.m. Youth (Youth Building)

Monday, May 6

- 5:30 p.m. Trustees meeting (Hospitality Room)

Tuesday, May 7

- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting (Library)

Wednesday, May 8

- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal for Adults & Youth (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. Kidz Klub
- 6:00 p.m. Youth (Youth Building)
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Classes
- 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 9

- 10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Share (Library)
- 1:00 p.m. Creative Hands Ministry (Wilson-Evans Room)
- 6:00 p.m. Saint Paul Men's Ministry (Rib Crib)

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day

- 8:30 a.m. Anointing Prayer (Sanctuary)
- 8:45 a.m. Holy Communion (Grace Chapel)
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. No Youth

May 15th is our last Wednesday night of the semester for our Wednesday night meal, Bible studies & Kidz Klub! Please make plans to join us for a delicious fundraising meal by the Saint Paul Men's Ministry, and a Kidz Klub performance with homemade desserts. **The meal is at 5:30 p.m. with the performance beginning at 6 p.m.**

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OFFICE HOURS:

- Mon. & Tues.: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Wed. & Thurs.: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.