

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

IN ROBERT STRAWBRIDGE COUNTRY

Our mission is to share Jesus Christ with everyone we meet.

PRAISE, WORSHIP AND CELEBRATION

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 21, 2019

10:30 am

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL! *You are welcome to enjoy the refreshments in the back of the sanctuary before the Welcome and after the Postlude. If you are a guest, please fill out a guest card and put it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you and hope you will prayerfully consider making St. Paul your spiritual home.*

** Please stand, as able.*

Forms for Joys & Concerns are located in the Narthex & will be collected at the beginning of the service.

WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THIS WEEK

PRELUDE "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" (St. Columbia/arr. Forrest)

*OPENING HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" UMH 451

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Amos 8, Luke 10)

Leader: Come, all who are burdened with many tasks.

People: God provides a space for rest and renewal.

Leader: Come, all who have turned away from God.

People: God welcomes us with healing and forgiveness.

Leader: Come, all who desire to know Christ.

People: Here we find unexpected grace and unconditional love. Thanks be to God!

OPENING PRAYER (Psalm 52, Luke 10)

Creator of all, we come from many places. Some of us come with heavy hearts. Some of us come with questions and few answers. Some of us come with joys bursting from our souls. Some of us come with long "to do" lists. Help us lay aside all that we carry with us and focus on you – the source of our lives, the one who fills our days with joy and love, the one who provides answers to our questions. Almighty God, we come this day to turn our minds and hearts toward you. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lone, Wild Bird" (Southern folk tune, arr. Johnson) Linda Wood, soloist

PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be" UMH 399

EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 1: 15-28 HB 954

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10: 38-42 HB 843

RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURES Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "Busting Your Chops as Martha in a Mary World" Rev. Shari McCourt

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "The Gift of Love" (American folk tune, Arr. Hopkins) Linda Wood, soloist

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

OFFERING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" TFWS 2153

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "My Lord, What a Morning" (Spiritual)

* MEETING AND GREETING

As the postlude ends, please take a minute to greet one another, especially those who are our guests today. You are encouraged to continue fellowship at the back of the sanctuary, with refreshments.

***GOING FORTH AS NEIGHBORHOOD MISSIONARIES**

Serving in worship today: Rev. Shari McCourt, Pastor of St. Paul; Diane Jones, Director of Music; Linda Wood, Guest Soloist; Rebecca Price, Joys and Concerns and Community Prayer; MacKenzie Trout, Liturgist

This Week at St. Paul UMC:

- July 21: Confirmand and Parent Meeting 2:00 pm
- July 23: Food Pantry 5:30 – 7:00 pm; A.A. and Al-Anon 7:30 pm
- July 25: Cards for Encouragement 2:00 – 4:00 pm (Note time change for this month only)
- July 27: Christian Men's Breakfast 8:00 am at Buttersburg Inn
- July 28: Worship 10:30 am; Emory Grove Worship Service 7:00 pm

St. Paul would like to start a **Nursery** for infants and children who have not reached Sunday School age. We are starting with a Committee to plan the structure and details of the nursery. There is a sign-up form in today's bulletin. We are particularly looking for young families for ideas and input for the planning stages as well as volunteering to serve in this ministry.

We will be starting a **Confirmation Class** this summer which will run each week into the fall. **TODAY, Sunday, July 21st at 2:00 pm**, we will be hold a Parent/Confirmand Meeting to explain what is required of the class and answer any questions you may have. If you have an 8th grade student or older who has not been confirmed, please plan on attending this important meeting.

Save the Date: Sunday, July 28th at 7:00 pm, the churches of the Greater New Windsor area, including St. Paul and Johnsville UMC, will be having a worship service at historic Emory Grove, 102 Waugh Avenue, Glyndon. More details to follow, but save the date and join them in worship that Sunday evening.

The following musicians will be sharing their talents with us over the summer months during the Special Music time in our Worship Service. The schedule for the remainder of the summer is:

- July 28 Sherry Hohl
- Aug 4 Rebecca Price's Trio
- Aug 11 Lisa Kilduff
- Aug 18 Barbershop Quartet
- Aug 25 Cindy Potee

The new Church Directories have been delivered. If you have any corrections or changes to your information, please contact the church office at 410-635-2442 or email your corrections to stpaulnewwindsor@gmail.com.

High Chairs Needed! We would like to purchase 1 or 2 high chairs for use in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to make a donation towards the purchase of these high chairs, please make a notation on your giving envelope indicating High Chair Donation.

Monthly Budget Requirement: \$9,667 – July month-to-date \$7060.00
Attendance July 7 - 65 | July 14 - 46
Church Office: 410-635-2442 • Office Hours Monday 9:00am – 5:00 pm and
Thursday 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm



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