

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

*A Good Neighbor*

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**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany  
February 8, 2009**

# *The Worship of God*

## Gathering

**10:55 am Worship Begins**

### **Prelude**

#### **\*Call to Worship**

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

**The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.**

[Isaiah 40: 25, 28b]

#### **\*Hymn**

*Thy Word*

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### **Greeting and Announcements**

We want to know that you were here worshipping with us today, especially if you are a first time visitor. Please introduce yourself to your neighbors, fill in a Visitor's Card (found in your pew), and place it in the offering. Our pastor, the Rev. Susan Allen Grady, is currently on maternity leave. This morning we welcome to our pulpit Paige Swaim. Paige is an Emory University Candler School of Theology Contextual Education student. Originally from Enterprise Alabama, she received her undergraduate degree from Troy University.

### **Announcements**

#### **\*Passing of the Peace**

**Celebration of Our Children** (*after which, children 5 and under are invited for loving childcare for the duration of the service. Children need to be escorted by an adult at the beginning of loving childcare and at the end of service*)

### **Concerns and Celebrations**

### **Morning Prayer**

#### **\*Hymn**

*Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart*

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### The Word Read and Shared

#### **\*Gospel Lesson**

Mark 1:29-39

Reader: The Word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

#### **Anthem**

*All My Trials* (Norman Luboff, arr)

Chancel Choir

#### **Sermon**

Paige Swaim

Responding to the Word

**The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

**Musical Offering**

**\*The Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;  
praise God, the Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

We Depart to Love and Serve

**\*Hymn**

*There Is A Balm in Gilead*

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**\*Benediction**

**\*The Congregational Blessing**

*Go Now in Peace*

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

**\*The Light Goes Forth**

**Postlude**

\*Stand as you are able.

**WE REJOICE TO WELCOME YOU** to this service of worship at St. Paul United Methodist Church. We pray God's blessing upon you this morning. We are pleased you chose to worship with us today. If you are just visiting, we encourage you to fill in a Visitor's Card (found in your pew) and place it in the offering so we can be in touch with you. If you are looking for a church home, look no further—you have found one at St. Paul. If this community can assist you in any way, please let us know. If you are interested in becoming a member of this church or want to talk about membership, please speak with our Deacon, Rev. Laura Rappold, or Family Life Minister, Douglas Hollis, in our pastor's absence after the service. **Welcome. Welcome. Welcome!!!**

## **MINISTERS OF WORSHIP AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS**

Guest Preacher: Paige Swaim

Liturgist: Jeff McCord

Children's Time: Rebecca Wallace

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Acolytes: Bryan and Telia Garner

Sound Team: John Peterson and Collin Seymour

Ushers: Bryan Russell (Head Usher); Jim Mason; Susan Johnson; Bill Ericson

Nursery: Melissa Mason, Bryan Russell, Alex Diaz-Williamson

**Accessibility Table:** There are large-print materials and audio listening devices available for your use. Please stop by the Accessibility Table at the side entrance of the sanctuary or speak to one of the ushers or greeters about any special needs.

**Want more information about what's happening at St. Paul?** We generally send out emails once or twice weekly, and we circulate the *Epistle*, our church newsletter, once a month. If you'd like to be on our email list, contact the church office at [office@stpaulgrantpark.org](mailto:office@stpaulgrantpark.org) or 404-688-7501.

**Activities.** Members, visitors, friends, all are invited to participate in the various ministries at St. Paul. If you need more information please call the church office 404-688-7501.

### **Every Sunday:**

- 8:30am **Worship First** (casual, contemporary service)
- 9:30 **Fellowship Breakfast** (Huiet Hall)
- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 10:55am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 5pm **Disciple I** (Bible Study) [[shelly.hart@emory.edu](mailto:shelly.hart@emory.edu) or 678-362-5893 (cell) or 404-727-4431 (work) ]

### **Every Wednesday:**

- 5:30-6pm **Children's Handbell Group (does not meet 2nd or 4th Wednesday, on hiatus till February)** [[Sherri.Scott@ihg.com](mailto:Sherri.Scott@ihg.com)] and **Little Angels Preschool Choir** [(404) 627-6756 or [lauraandtalley@mindspring.com](mailto:lauraandtalley@mindspring.com)]
- 6-6:45pm **Fellowship Supper** [\$6/adults, \$3/children 4-10, under 4 free. Reservations by Tuesday morning to [stpaulgrantpark@earthlink.net](mailto:stpaulgrantpark@earthlink.net) or 404-688-7501. ] Menu for February 11: Chicken tetrazzini, salad, garlic bread, brownies .
- 6:30-8pm **Disciples of the Trinity Youth Group** [[seedoug@hotmail.com](mailto:seedoug@hotmail.com)]
- 6:45-7:15pm **Little Saints Elementary School Choir** [[lauraandtalley@mindspring.com](mailto:lauraandtalley@mindspring.com) or (404) 627-6756]
- 6:45-7:30pm **Adult/Youth Handbell Group** [[Sherri.Scott@ihg.com](mailto:Sherri.Scott@ihg.com)] and **Worship First Praise Team** Contemporary Choir
- 6:45-7:45pm **God Goes Hollywood** [[Jennifer.stevens@emory.edu](mailto:Jennifer.stevens@emory.edu)]
- 7 pm **Companions in Christ: The Way** (spiritual formation study) [[tdavis280@aol.com](mailto:tdavis280@aol.com)]
- 7:30pm **Chancel Choir**