

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

*A Good Neighbor*

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Fresco, 400 AD, oldest known image of St. Paul, discovered June 19, 2009, during restoration work at the Catacomb of St. Thekla in Rome. St. Thekla was a follower of St Paul and who was put to death under the Emperor Diocletian at the beginning of the 4th Century.

**Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost**  
**September 13, 2009**

# *The Worship of God*

## Gathering

**10:55 am Worship Begins**

**Prelude**

**\*Call to Worship**

Shout for joy, O heavens; rejoice, O earth;

**For the LORD comforts his people**

**and will have compassion on his afflicted ones.** [from Isaiah 49:13]

**\*Hymn**

*Lift High the Cross*

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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.

**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*)

**\*Hymn**

*Make Me a Captive Lord*

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**Morning Prayer**

Rev. Laura Rappold

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father (Creator) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## The Word Read and Shared

**Scripture Lesson**

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem**

*The Heavens Are Telling* (Franz Joseph Haydn)

Liz Almond and  
Laura Rappold, Duet

**Sermon**

Jenny Stevens

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** *Take Up Thy Cross and Follow Me*

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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 Pastor, Rev. Susan Allen Grady, our Deacon, Rev. Laura Rappold, or Family Life Minister, Douglas Hollis, after the service. **Welcome. Welcome. Welcome!!!**

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

Presider: Laura Rappold

Guest Preacher: Jenny Stevens

Liturgist: Jack Warner

Children's Time: Bryan Russell

Altar Guild: Paul Gardner

Acolytes: Jessica and Henry Gaines

Sound Team: John Peterson/Collin Seymour

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

Nursery: Melissa Mason, Richard Quartarone, 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 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)
- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 10:55am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 12-ish **Coffee, Cookies and Conversation** (Chester Commons following the service)

### **Every Wednesday:**

- 6:00-6:30 **Children's Choirs** [lmwells2009@comcast.net]
- 6:30pm **Wednesday Night Supper** [terrycockrum@bellsouth.net]
- 6:30-8pm **Disciples of the Trinity Youth Group** [seedoug@hotmail.com]
- 7:00-8:00 pm **Wednesday Night Book Discussion** [susan@stpaulgrantpark.org]
- 7:30pm **Chancel Choir** [kevinhowardhill@gmail.com]

### **Every Thursday:**

- 6:45-7:30pm **Worship First Praise Team Contemporary Choir**  
[tomtrimble52@aol.com]