

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

*A Good Neighbor*

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Christ Crucified between the Virgin and  
Nicodemus,  
Michelangelo, c 1552-54

## The Second Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2011

# *The Worship of God*

## Gathering

**10:55 am Worship Begins**

### **Prelude**

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

Blessed are those whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;  
**blessed is the one against whom the Lord will not reckon sin.**

[Romans 4:7-8]

#### **\*Hymn**

*Blessed Assurance*

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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.

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

## The Word Read and Shared

#### **\*Gospel Reading**

John 3:1-17

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Celebration of Our Children** (*after which children 3 and older are invited to return to their seats or go upstairs for Loving Childcare: Chess Sunday 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 the service.*)

#### **\*Hymn**

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

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#### **Sermon**

*Changed for Good:  
Jesus Changes Everything*

Rev. Susan Allen Grady

**Responding to the Word**

**Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Susan Allen Grady

**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.**

**Reception Into Membership of Anne Christy, Tona Fenter, and Lily Wilson**

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

**Musical Offering**

*My Song in the Night*

Chancel Choir

**\*The Doxology**

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

**We Depart to Love and Serve**

**\*Hymn**

*Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*

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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, after the service. **Welcome. Welcome. Welcome!!!**

### **WORSHIP LEADERS AND SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS**

Presider: Rev. Susan Allen Grady

Children's Time: Brenda Brown

Worship First AV Tech: Zxelema Howard

Liturgist: Beth Sullivan

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Acolytes: Talley and Evan Wells

Sound Board: Bill Ericson and Langston Daniels

Ushers: Head Usher – David Hardy; Rob MacGregor; Collin Seymour, Nancy Tanksley

Childcare Volunteers: (Chess Sunday): Richard Quartarone, Rachel Quartarone, Gissella 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 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:**

- 8:45am **Worship First** (casual, contemporary service)
- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 10:55am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 12-ish **Hospitality:** Covered Dish Fellowship Lunch (Huiet Hall, First Sundays); Coffee, Cookies and Conversation (Chester Commons, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays)

#### **Every Wednesday:**

- 5:30pm **Children's Choirs** [[lmwells2009@comcast.net](mailto:lmwells2009@comcast.net)]
- 6:00pm **Wednesday Night Supper** [[terrycockrum@bellsouth.net](mailto:terrycockrum@bellsouth.net)]
- 6-8:00pm **St. Paul Youth Fellowship** [[alingenfelter@lagrange.edu](mailto:alingenfelter@lagrange.edu)]
- 7:00pm **Chancel Choir** [[kevinhowardhill@gmail.com](mailto:kevinhowardhill@gmail.com)]

**Tin Lizzy's Cantina's Sunday Special** offers \$5.00 off any order totaling \$25 or more to anyone who brings in a Church bulletin mentioning this offer.