

# St. Paul United Methodist Church

*A Good Neighbor*

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*The supper at Emmaus*  
Ceri Richards (1903-1971)  
Methodist Collection of Modern Christian Art

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## Third Sunday of Easter

**Mother's Day**  
**May 8, 2011**

# *The Worship of God*

## Gathering

**10:55 am Worship Begins**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

We were not redeemed with perishable things like gold and silver,  
**but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.**  
We have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable,  
**through the living and enduring word of God.**

[1 Peter 1:18,23]

**\*Hymn**

*Christ Is Alive!*

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**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Gathering Chorus**

*Alleluia, Alleluia*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**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.

## The Word Read and Shared

**\*Gospel Reading**

Luke 24: 13-35

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

**Celebration of Our Children** (after which children 3 and older are invited to return to their seats or go upstairs for Loving Childcare: Craft 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**

*Lord of the Dance*

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**Sermon**

Rev. Susan Allen Grady

**The Confirmation of Telia Marie Garner**

**Responding to the Word**

**Prayer for the Day**

For our mothers, who have given us life and love, that we may show them reverence and love, we pray to the Lord [*Congregation speaks aloud names of mothers we honor on this day.*] **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For mothers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For women, though without children of their own, who like mothers have nurtured and cared for us, we pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For mothers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children, and have not sustained their families, we pray to the Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord.

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

**Musical Offering**

*Come, O Thou Traveler*

Chancel Choir

**\*The Doxology**

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**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**We Depart to Love and Serve**

**\*Hymn**

*Abide With Me*

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**\*Benediction**

**\*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

Worship First AV Tech: Mark Crenshaw

Liturgist: Telia Garner

Children's Time: Alvin Lingenfelter

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Acolytes: Bryan and Joel Garner

Sound Board: Talley and Evan Wells

Ushers: Head Usher – Bryan Russell; Susan Johnson; Robin South

Childcare Volunteers (Craft Sunday): Jim Mason, Tori Lutkowski, Laura Wells

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation: Allen W. Graham

**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** [[office@stpaulgrantpark.org](mailto:office@stpaulgrantpark.org)]
- 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)]

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