

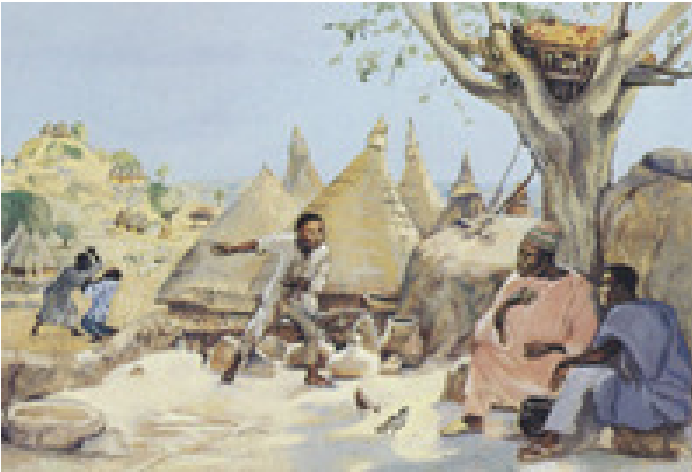
St. Paul United Methodist Church

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The Unforgiving Servant, JESUS MAFA

JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings were selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2011

The Worship of God

Gathering

10:55 am Worship Begins

Prelude

Amazing Grace

arr. Rulon Christianson

***Call to Worship**

God is our refuge and strength,

A very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

Though the mountains should shake in the heart of the sea,

Though its waters roar and foam,

We will not fear. [Psalm 46]

***Hymn**

Blessed Assurance

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***Passing of the Peace**

***Gathering Chorus**

Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living

Sanctuary for you.

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 Apostles Creed**

#881

The Word Read and Shared

***Gospel Reading**

Matthew 18:21-26

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Celebration of Our Children (*after which children aged 3 to 5 years old are invited to return to their seats or go upstairs for **Loving Childcare: Arts & Crafts** 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**

When Terror Streaks Through Morning Skies

Insert

Sermon

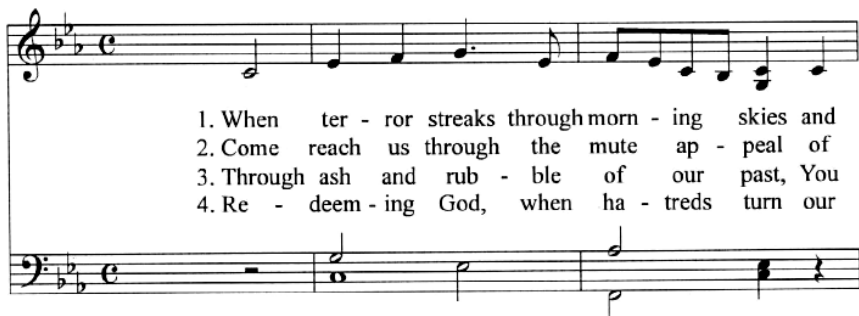
Rev. Susan Allen Grady

When Terror Streaks Through Morning Skies

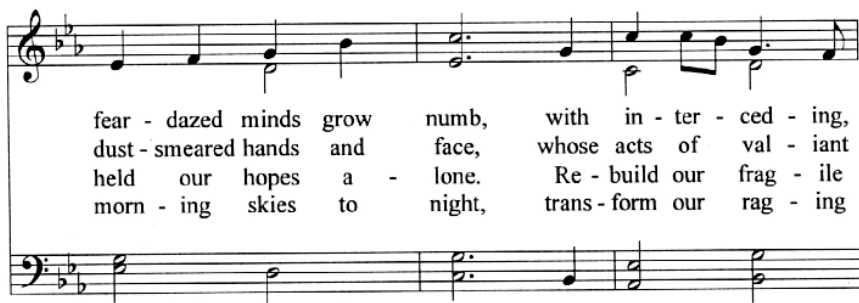
*A prayer following the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon
September 11, 2001*

Mary Louise Bringle, 2001

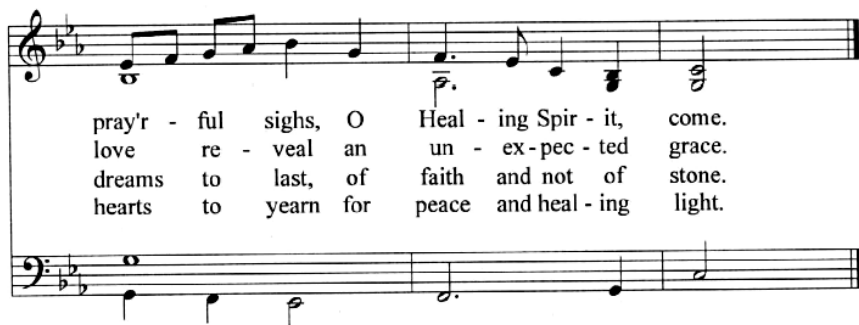
DETROIT CM, *Supplement to Kentucky Harmony*, 1820



1. When ter - ror streaks through morn - ing skies and
2. Come reach us through the mute ap - peal of
3. Through ash and rub - ble of our past, You
4. Re - deem - ing God, when ha - treds turn our



fear - dazed minds grow numb, with in - ter - ced - ing,
dust - smeared hands and face, whose acts of val - iant
held our hopes a - lone. Re - build our frag - ile
morn - ing skies to night, trans - form our rag - ing



pray'r - ful sighs, O Heal - ing Spir - it, come.
love re - veal an un - ex - pec - ted grace.
dreams to last, of faith and not of stone.
hearts to yearn for peace and heal - ing light.



2011

HOMECOMING

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Come Home to St. Paul UMC!

Homecoming 2011

Sunday, October 16

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Lee Ramsey, Pastor 1985 - 1994

9:30 AM Reception and Re-dedication of Huiett Hall

10:55 AM Homecoming Worship with special music by our Children and Adult Choirs

12:30 PM Covered Dish Luncheon

Help make great St. Paul Memories. The Homecoming Committee needs your help with:

Greeting Our Guests: St. Paul Youth

The next generation of St. Paul leaders will help us welcome our guests at Homecoming. Please See Alvin Lingenfelter or ask any of the youth how you can help them.

Fellowship Reception and Re-dedication of Huiett Hall: Sherri Scott

Sherri has graciously volunteered to coordinate the Fellowship reception. Please contact her to help make this a great time with yummy food and what ever great plans Sherri is making.

Photos and Bulletin Boards: James Stevens

James Steven is sharing his talents with us and enhancing our photographic history with special photo displays on Homecoming day. If you have contributions to share or want to help with the display efforts, please contact James.

Decorating help: Karen Merritt

We will have about 20 tables to decorate in the gym. We are getting tablecloths. We will have two head tables as well. We will also have 5 food tables. We would like the gym to look as nice as possible. That means we needs a top notch team to decorate with found and donated items. There are plenty of vases at the church to use. The decorations from the Fall Festival will be up. Set up will take place late on Saturday afternoon as much as possible. Karen Merritt is the leadership volunteer and will coordinate this this.

Food: Vanessa Jackson

We need 2 large turkeys and 1 large ham donated. if you would like to donate the meat, I can cook it.

We will be soliciting casseroles, vegetables, and starches for side dishes. If you have a fabulous side dish, we would love to have enough for 15-20 servings. We anticipate 130 for lunch so we need lots of goodies. Please get out your special recipes

Clean up: Tonya Skeen

Tonya Skeen will be organizing our clean up teams. Tonya is a great organizer. She needs willing hands to make it happen. We anticipate that extra cleaning will cost 100.00 this will include an extra cleaning of the fellowship hall and gym and someone to do the dishes after the luncheon. Should you feel led to donate to the cleaning fund, please bring your donation to the church office.

Set Up: The Men's Group

The Men's group has stepped up to lead set up. Set up will take place late on Saturday afternoon as much as possible. Please contact them if you would like to participate in this activity

Photographer: Bill Ericson

We would love to have a group picture of four St. Paul family on homecoming day. If you would be willing to be the official photographer for the day please contact Bill Ericson

Thank you all for sharing your gifts and talents to make this a day to remember. It is going to be a joyous event and I look forward to serving with you.

The St. Paul Homecoming Committee

Bill Ericson

Sherrri Scott

Vanessa Jackson

Responding to the Word

Anthem

The Rising

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

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

***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**

Amazing Grace

#378

***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

Blessed Assurance

arr. J. Bert Carlson

*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

Liturgist: Shelly Hart

Children's Time: Susan Allen Grady

Altar Guild: Karen Merritt

Acolytes: Angela and Cooper Russell

Sound Board: Talley & Evan Wells

Ushers: Bryan Russell; Susan Johnson; Robin South, Jackson Moore

Loving Childcare (Arts & Crafts): Rebecca Wallace, Danielle Hanson, Angela Mickle

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 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:

- 10am **Sunday School** (all ages)
- 8:45am **Worship First** (casual, contemporary service)
- 10:55am **Morning Worship** (traditional service)
- 12-ish **Hospitality:** Covered Dish Fellowship Lunch (Huiet Hall, First Sundays)

Every Wednesday (September-May):

- 5:30 pm **Children's Choirs** (r_rq@yahoo.com, lmwells2009@comcast.net)
- 6 pm **Wednesday night supper (1st and 3rd Wednesdays)**
- 6-8:30 **Youth Group** (alingenfelter@lagrange.edu)
- 7 pm **Chancel Choir** (kevinhowardhill@gmail.com)