

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

July 02, 2017
11:00 a.m.

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CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*PRELUDE "If My People Will Pray"

Owens

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP "Holy Ground"

**This is holy ground; We're standing on holy ground,
For the Lord is present and where He is is holy.
This is holy ground; We're standing on holy ground,
For the Lord is present and where He is is holy.**

*GREETING

If the human body, body of blood and muscle,
is to live, it needs salt.

**If the body of Christ, body of peace and justice,
is to live, it needs us!**

If the earthly creation, bustling and blooming,
is to flourish, it needs the sun's light.

**If the new creation we are in Christ is to flourish,
it needs the Spirit's light!**

Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

**Our faith, our love, our hope —
essential as salt and light.**

But if salt isn't salty?

It isn't what it's meant to be.

And if a light doesn't shine?

It isn't what it's meant to be.

Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

Briny and bright, we are God's faithful people.

**We shall be who we are meant to be in Christ:
a welcoming oasis, a compassionate community,
a justice-making people, giving glory to God!**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE (The Peace is an act of reconciliation and blessing. It is not simply our peace but the peace of Christ that we offer. One may say, "The peace of Christ be with you," and the other respond, "And also with you.")

**I worship you, Almighty God;
There is none like you.**

**I worship you, O Prince of Peace;
That is what I want to do.**

I give you praise for you are my righteousness.

**I worship you, Almighty God;
There is none like you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN NO. 697

“America”

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Dyke

*THE DOXOLOGY, Hymnal 95

**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.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Following the Children's Moments, we invite our K3 to Second Grade children to walk behind a designated adult upstairs. There the children will take part in a worship experience designed especially for them. After the service you may meet your child on the 2nd floor Children's Wing.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

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

People: Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5: 13-16

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

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

ANTHEM

“Give Me Your Tired and Poor”

Arr. Searcy

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Response: Lord, in your mercy; **hear our prayers.**

COMMUNION HYMN NO. 488

“Jesus, Remember Me”

(At this time parents are invited to go get their children from the 2nd floor Children's Wing and bring them to the sanctuary to partake of communion with the church family.)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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This is the Lord's Table. All are invited to partake of the Sacrament.

*HYMN NO. 672

“God Be with You till We Meet Again”

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE **“Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart”**

**Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart; Let the peace of Christ rule in your heart,
And whatever you do, in word or deed, Do it all in the name of the Lord.
Giving thanks, giving thanks to God, thro' Christ, the Lord;
Giving thanks, giving thanks to God, thro' Christ, the Lord.**

*POSTLUDE

“Battle Hymn of the Republic”

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***INDICATES TO PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.**

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL UMC

If you are worshipping at St. Paul for the first time we welcome you and are thankful for your presence. Please take a visitor's card from the back of the pew and fill it out and drop it in the offering plate.

We welcome all who would like to continue their Christian Journey by becoming a member of the Saint Paul Family. Please contact the pastor if you are interested.

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER: Mike & Melinda Burns, **Elaine Byers**, Conya Caughman, **Connie Cox**, Rev. Farrell Cox, Natalie Davis, Tina Falls, Debbie Goodwin, Doris Goodwin, Carol Head, Al Lupo, Irvine Lupo, Frieda Lupo, **Tinsley Lyles**, Diane Robertson, Jaedyn Rule, Hortense Searcy, Betty Thompson, Unspoken Requests. Also, Friends serving in the Armed Services and the United States of America and our leaders. Bold = New, *Italics* = Currently in Hospital.

Assisted Living and/or Special Care Residents and Friends Who Are Homebound: Edith Branham, Eunice Hill, Martha Jameson, “Mac” MacMillan, Margaret Smith, Hazel Welborn