

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Birthday Wishes to: Carol Head - TODAY, Eugenia Vicars - March 14th, Ed Pool - March 16th, Tenley Gilstrap - March 17th and Whitney Feaster - March 19th.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: Michael Abowd, Jeremy Graham and Dylan O'Neal (all deployed to Afghanistan), Carroll Anthony, Glenda Anthony, Phillip Baskins, Kiele Binsted, Calvin Bostic, T. O. Boykin, **Ray Byington**, *Wade Byers*, the Callahan Family, Connie Cox, Eleanor Cunningham, Betty Evans, Don Everett, Eva Gillespie, Catherine Gilstrap, Delores Gilstrap, Luke Gilliam, Bill Hembree, Ron Howard, Martha Jameson, Frank "Cotton" Jones, Pat Larson, Jack Laughridge, Dot MacMillan, H. W. "Mac" MacMillan, Robin Meade, Buddy Miller, Roy Patterson, Bob Putnam, Diane Robertson, Jimmy Senn, Jane Snyder, Linda Terminato, Ben Walcher, Belvin and Georgia Ware, Hazel Welborn, Perri Whitmire, the people in all countries experiencing disasters and the United States of America and our leaders. If you wish to keep a name on the list after 4 weeks or to add a new name, please call the office.

Please note the following address change: Katie Head, 205 S. Autumn Crest Place, Taylors, SC 29687. Also, Rev. Don McKinney has moved back to his home in Rolling Green Village. The address is: 418 Lakeside Circle, Greenville, SC 29615, Home Phone, 864-234-6865 and Cell Phone, 864-553-6923.

The **Children's Sunday School Teachers** for today are Mary and Ed Pool and the **Worship Leader** is Lori Cheshire. The **Nursery Workers** are Lori Cheshire (SSH) and Stephanie and Troy Gamble (WH). The **Toddler Class Workers** are Elise Patterson and Logan Kanipe (SSH, WH). The **Sunday School Teacher** for next Sunday, March 20, is Eugenia Vicars and the **Worship Leader** is Peggy Whitmire. The **Nursery Workers** are Amie Lee (SSH) and Allison and Jon Miller (WH). The **Toddler Class Worker** is Edna Patterson (SSH, WH).

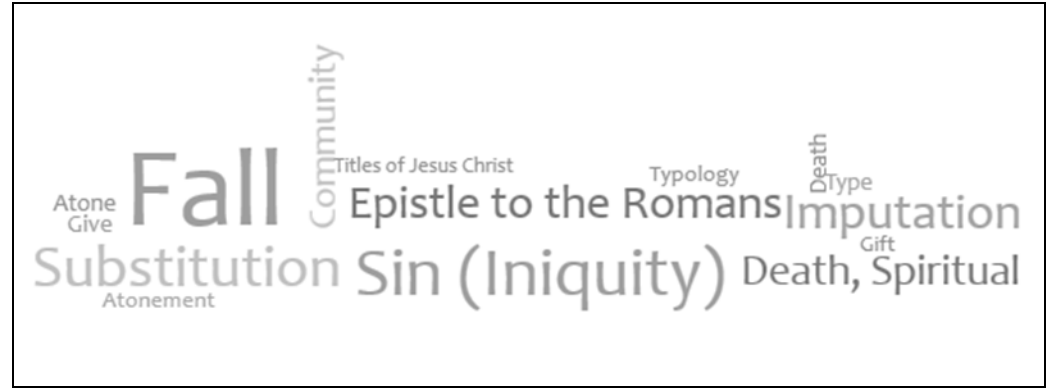
We are in the planning stages to establish a "**Ministry of Hospitality**" in April. This ministry would take place before Sunday School, Worship Service and after the Worship Service. We've noticed that many people linger after our Worship Service to enjoy the fellowship. Such a "Ministry of Hospitality" follows the model of Jesus' Table Ministry. It's a great way for our people to fellowship and learn more about each other. Considering that visitors almost always arrive either really early or really late for Worship Service, it would be great to have a place where visitors can be welcomed and feel at ease by drinking some coffee or juice and enjoying a donut or bagel with friendly hosts. If you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry, We need you! Please contact MaryAnn Stephens at: maepool@hotmail.com or 864-202-8051.

The **ADULT LUNCHEON** will be Tuesday, March 22nd. Our Entertainment will be playing Bingo and each person attending is asked to bring a small prize to donate. Be sure to put your name on the Sign-Up Sheets located in the Hall on either side of the Narthex.

The **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE** will meet on Monday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. to plan the Stewardship Luncheon that will be on Sunday, April 10, following the Worship Service.

The Greenville District **LAY SPEAKING CLASSES** for Spring, 2011, will be April 2 and April 16, from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm at Aldersgate UMC. The cost is \$45 per student which includes lunch. Registration Forms (due by 3/25/2011) are located in the Hall on either side of the Narthex

Our Tithes, Offerings and Gifts	
Offerings received 3/6/2011: \$ 4,379	Offerings received year to date: \$ 24,813
Budget needed weekly: \$ 3,329	Budget needed year to date: \$ 33,290
Attendance 3/6/2011: 81	Memorial Gifts received in addition to Offerings: \$ 4,240.00
We honor God and express our love for God when we live our lives in ways that are pleasing to God. When we clean the clutter out of our hearts, we can be fitting temples for God's Spirit.,	



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 13, 2011

11:00 a.m.

Bishop

Mary Virginia Taylor

District Superintendent

Dr. Charles Johnson

Pastor

Rev. Murray A. Snow

Director of Music

William H. Searcy, Jr.

Ushers

Captain - Tommy Gilstrap

Ray Byington, Edna Patterson
MaryAnn and Marcus Stephens

Counters

Tommy Gilstrap
Jason Cheshire

MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Saint Paul United Methodist Church is to be the people of God who praise God in worship, celebrating God's love and healing presence in Jesus Christ. We are called to be signs of hope and healing to all people in our community and the world, reaching out in ministries of love, compassion and care as we seek to follow the example of Jesus Christ.

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The Order of Worship

*Let the people be in silent meditation and prayer
upon entering the Sanctuary*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*PRELUDE "Passion Chorale" ... David Schack 1947

*LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP "Oh, the Glory of Your Presence" Choir and Congregation

"Oh, the glory of Your presence, We, Your temple, give You reverence.
Come and rise to Your rest and be blest by our praise as we glory in Your embrace;
As Your presence now fills this place."

*GREETING

In the beginning, the Lord God said:

"Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat..."

But we were disobedient children.

We did what the Lord God commanded us not to do.

We saw that which looked good to us, and
not thinking of God, we did as we pleased.

Surely the story of Adam and Eve is our story.

We gather together this morning to worship our Lord God,
who seeks to teach us what has been done for us to overcome our disobedience.

Our ears are open, our hearts and minds are ready to receive.

We are God's children. We are the people of God.²

*INVOCATION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us pray . . .

*HYMN NO. 377 "It Is Well With My Soul"

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, Hymnal No. 886 "The Apostles' Creed"

*THE GLORIA PATRI, Hymnal 70 "Glory Be to the Father"

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Let us Pray:

Truthful, teaching God, we come before you always in the midst of testing, continually unfinished, desiring to understand you more fully through the Scriptures and to follow you despite uncertainty. We are tempted to live by something other than your Word, to challenge you back in the midst of tough times, and to hold human loyalties higher than you. We bring all our ambiguity to you, even as we bring our faithfulness and joy. We trust that you will sort it out, cleanse and strengthen us for the journey that lies ahead. This we pray In the name of Jesus, both the pioneer and the perfecter of our faith. (Matthew 4:1-11)³

OFFERTORY "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" ... G. Winston Cassler 1906

*THE DOXOLOGY, Hymnal 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER / THE LORD'S PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

THE ANTHEM "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" ... Isaac Watts 1707

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 4:1-11

SERMON "Call to Renounce"

HYMN NO. 534 "Be Still My Soul"

*BENEDICTION "Go My Children With My Blessing" Choir and Congregation

"I the Lord will bless and keep you and give you peace.

I the Lord will smile upon you and give you peace.

I the Lord will be Creator, Savior, Comforter, Sustainer

Go, my children, I will keep you, and give you peace."

*POSTLUDE "Postlude on 'Terra Beata'" ... Edward Broughton

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

*In Memory of Dustin R. Whitmire
and In Honor of Trinity Whitmire, Christ Whitmire and Patrick Whitmire
on Their Birthdays
given by the Whitmire and Boone Families*

*All who are able are invited to stand.

¹<http://www.greenhq.net/images/carbon-footprint.gif>

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