

**2ND SUNDAY
of EASTER**

1 May 2011
11:00 am

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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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OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Let us Pray:

God of great reversals, you fling open the doors that we have shut out of fear. We pour out our thanks for your incredible grace that comes among us in surprising, whole-new-life ways. We bring to you your gifts to us of our lives and livelihoods and offer them back to you. May these offerings of our presence, prayers, and possessions be used for your business in this world and your Reign in our midst. Amen.²

OFFERTORY

“Beautiful Savior”

Paul Davis

*THE DOXOLOGY, Hymnal 95

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON (*responsive*)

. . . Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have not done your will,

forgive us, we pray.

free us for joyful obedience;

Send the Holy Spirit – God with us,

come to us, and among us;

come as the wind, and cleanse us;

Come as the fire, and burn;

Come as the dew, and refresh;

Convict, convert, and consecrate our hearts and lives

to our great good and to thy greater glory;³

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news: we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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Glory to God. Amen.⁴

EPISTLE LESSON		1 Peter 1:3-9
THE ANTHEM	“Majesty”	Jack Hayford
*GOSPEL LESSON		John 20:19-31
SERMON		“Genuineness of Faith”
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION		HYMNAL, Page 15

This is the Lord’s Table. All are invited to partake of the Sacrament. Receive the bread as it is placed in the palm of your hand and hold it until the cup is presented to you. The bread is dipped lightly into the cup and eaten.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 624 “Bread of the World”

*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 “Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart” Franklin Ritter

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