

Mission Statement

St. Paul United Methodist Church exists to honor God by making more disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 15, 2026

8:30 a.m.

Prelude He Shall Feed His Flock from Handel's Messiah arr. W. Held

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Welcome and Announcements:

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: We gather together in the presence of our Shepherd God,

People: who calls us each by name,

Leader: who restores our souls,

People: who leads us in the way of righteousness,

Leader: and whose goodness and love never stops pursuing us.

People: This is the God we have come to worship!

***Opening Prayer:**

Leader: Together let us pray.

People: Loving Shepherd, you know our names; you care for us. When we face darkness and death, journey alongside us. When we hunger for your love, fill us with your presence. When we are fearful, feed us at your table. May we dwell in the house of goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Amen.

Written by Mary Petrina Boyd and posted on Ministry Matters.

***Hymn of Praise: The King Of Love My Shepherd Is No. 138**

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The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never. I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth; and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me; and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

First Lesson: Psalm 23

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Choir Anthem: The Hour Has Come by J.P. Williams & J. Martin

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***Second Lesson: John 10:11-16**

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to God!

***Hymn: Spirit Song No. 347**

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O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears

and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. (Refrain)

Congregational Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison):

“Our Father, 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.

Sermon: “I AM: The Good Shepherd“ Pastor Mindi Gochnaur

The Affirmation of our Stewardship

Offertory A Lenten Poem by V.D. Thompson

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*** Congregational Response No. 95**

*** Prayer of Dedication (in unison): Radiant Shepherd, you walk beside us through valleys and over mountaintops, guiding us with grace and guarding us with love. In your presence, we lack nothing that truly matters. Even in a world clouded by shadows, your light shines through – inviting us to live as children of the day. Receive these gifts, O God, as signs of our desire to walk in your ways, to live as your people, and to shine with the goodness, justice, and truth that reflect your image. Let our giving be more than ritual; let it be an act of trust, a response to your faithfulness, and a testimony of your light at work in us. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.**

***Closing Hymn: Where He Leads Me No. 338**

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I can hear my Savior calling, I can hear my Savior calling, I can hear my Savior calling, “Take thy cross and follow, follow me.”

Refrain

Where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow, where he leads me I will follow; I'll go with him, with him all the way.

I'll go with him through the garden, I'll go with him through the garden, I'll go with him through the garden, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
(Refrain)

I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him through the judgment, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
(Refrain)

He will give me grace and glory, he will give me grace and glory, he will give me grace and glory, and go with me, with me all the way. (Refrain)

***The Sending Forth and Benediction**

***Postlude: Psalm of Praise by F. Ritter**
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***Those who are able please stand.**

The altar flowers are to the Glory of God.

Serving in Worship Today

Greeter	Barb & Chris Buhrman
Worship Leader	Helen Oyer
Head Usher	Dave Bowers

Worship Resources: CCLI #1518856, Streaming #20211595, umcdiscipleship.org, re-worship.blogspot.com

During the service, the nursery is staffed and available for your children on the main floor Sharing room (A9).

Welcome Families with young children! St. Paul UMC values our children. We strive to teach each child who visits with us more about God and Jesus.

When you enter the Sanctuary or FLC for church, you will see a white rack in the back of the room. On this rack are "Fruits of the Spirit" cloth bags. Inside each bag is an activity book based on Biblical stories. There is also a small notebook, a pen, and a pack of crayons. Please feel free to borrow one of these Children's Activity bags for the duration of the church service.

When the service ends, we kindly ask you to return all of the materials to the cloth bag and hang the bag back on the white rack before you leave to go home. That way, the bags are there for all children to enjoy. Thank you.