

## **Mission Statement**

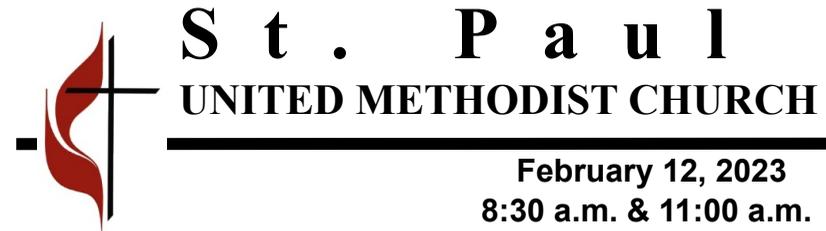
St. Paul United Methodist Church exists to honor God by making more disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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### **Introduction and Announcements:**

**Prelude (8:30 am)                      What A Friend We Have in Jesus                      arr Utterback**  
**(11:00 am)                                      In Christ There Is No East or West**

**\* Call to Worship:                                      Psalm 119: 1-8                                      Page 841**  
**If you would like a United Methodist hymnal we will be glad to send 1 to you.**

**\*Opening Prayer (in Unison): God of love and mercy, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole hearts or devoted ourselves to Your service in full accord with Your will. Forgive us, renew us, and strengthen us for Your service. Help us as Your holy people to live honestly, have integrity of spirit, and passion for caring for others. We yield ourselves to Your mercy and for Your will. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn:                                      Spirit of Faith, Come Down                                      Page 332**  
**Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God, and make to us the God head known, and witness with the blood. "Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see, who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.**

**No one can truly say that Jesus is the Lord, unless thou take the veil away and breathe the living Word. Then, only then, we feel our interest in his blood, and cry with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"**

**O that the world might know the all atoning Lamb! Spirit of faith, descend and show the virtue of his name; the grace which all may find, the saving power, impart, and testify to humankind, and speak in every heart.**

Inspire the living faith (which whosoe'er receive, the witness in themselves they have and consciously believe), the faith that conquers all, and doth the mountain move, and saves whoe'er on Jesus call, and perfects them in love.

**Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20**

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**Special Music: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

**Mission Minute: Chris Mayer, Garden**

**Prayers of the People**

**\*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.

**Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:21-37**

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Hymn of Praise: Jesus Loves Me Page 191**

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

**Refrain**

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long ago, taking children on his knee, saying, "Let them come to me." (Refrain)

Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way, wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. (Refrain)

**Today's Sermon: "Integrity" Pastor John Kratz**

**The Affirmation of Our Stewardship**

**Offertory (8:30 am) Foundation arr Callahan  
(11:00 am) O Worship The King**

**\*Congregational Response No. 94**  
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 Dedication: You have commanded O God that the first and best of our labor should come to You to honor Your name and to be used for Your kingdom's work. In love and gratitude we give these gifts and offerings of faith. We wholeheartedly yield them to Your will and not our own. Bless them we ask for Your glory and work. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn: Heralds of Christ Page 567**  
Heralds of Christ, who bear the king's commands, immortal tidings in your mortal hands, pass on and carry swift the news you bring; make straight, make straight the highway of the King.

Through desert ways, dark fen, and deep morass, through jungles, sluggish seas, and mountain pass, build now the road, and falter not, nor stay; prepare across the earth the King's highway.

Lord, give us faith and strength the road to build, to see the promise of the day fulfilled, when war shall be no more, and strife shall cease upon the highway of the Prince of Peace.

**Benediction**  
**Postlude: (8:30 am) Holy God We Praise Your Name arr Peeters**

**(11:00 am)**

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!

**The altar flowers are to the Glory of God  
by Richard & Teresa Griffin.**

<b><u>Serving in Worship Today</u></b>	<b><u>8:30 a.m.</u></b>	<b><u>11:00 a.m.</u></b>
<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Sue McGee</b>	<b>Dave &amp; Judy Bowers</b>
<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>Wendy Freyer</b>	
<b>Head Usher</b>	<b>Gary Dull</b>	<b>Bob Seibert</b>

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

The Parlor is also available for you to sit with your child and view the service.

**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.