

We will be faithful to St. Paul UMC & uphold it with:

<u>Our Service</u>	
Acolyte This Week	Zoey Hall
Acolyte Next Week	Lauren Akins
Offering Accountants	Bob Ferguson Mason Morrow
Offering Accountants Next Month	Vince Maglio Charlie Wyont
Lay Reader	Doug Flowers
Lay Reader Next Week	Eve Morrow
Nursery Workers This Week	Eirene Ferguson Minnie Goodman
Nursery Workers Next Week	April Ramos Christy Boatright
Communion Preparation Next Week	Minnie Goodman



# ST. PAUL

## United Methodist Church

*New Ellenton, SC*



**February 25, 2024**

**10:30 AM**

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# St. Paul United Methodist Church

## Order of Worship

Sunday, February 25, 2024

2nd Sunday in Lent

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### *Prelude*

\* *Entering the Light of Christ*

\* *Call to Worship* "Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days" Choir

*Welcome & Announcements* Doug Flowers

### *Opening Prayer*

\* *Hymn* "Be Still, My Soul" UMH page 534

\* *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. for us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Pastoral Prayer* Rev. Joseph D. Kovas

### *The Lord's Prayer*

**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 and ever. Amen.**

*Anthem* "Jesus Tempted In the Desert" Choir

### *Prayer of Confession and Pardon*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you of all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. Strengthen you in all goodness and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

### *Offering*

\* *Doxology* UMH 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!**

\* *Offering Prayer*

\* *Hymn* "It is Well with My Soul" UMH page 377

*Scripture Reading:* Luke 4:1-12 Pew Bible Page 61

*Message* **TEMPTATION OF JESUS** Rev. Joseph D. Kovas

\* *Closing Hymn* "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH page 474

\* *Postlude & Benediction*

*(Carrying forth the Light of Christ into the world)*

*\* Those who are able, Please Stand.*

**St. Paul United Methodist Church - February 25, 2024**

**News & Announcements**

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**Sunday, February 25—2nd Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am-10:15 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	MYF	Family Life Center

**Monday, February 26**

6:00 PM	Lenten Book Study	Parsonage
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**Tuesday, February 27**

6:00 PM	Discernment Committee Mtg.	Fellowship Hall
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**Sunday, March 3—3rd Sunday in Lent**

9:30 am-10:15 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	MYF	Family Life Center

**Monday, March 4**

6:00 PM	Lenten Book Study	Parsonage
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**Sunday, March 10—4th Sunday in Lent / Daylight Savings Time**

9:30 am-10:15 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 AM	Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 PM	MYF	Fellowship Hall
5:00 PM	UMWF Salad Bar	Family Life Center

If you have any updates for our church directory, please get them to the church office as soon as possible.



**DEADLINE** for changes or additions to the directory is Sunday, March 3, 2024.

**VITA Tax Assistance** – Senior citizens and others who need help completing their 2023 tax returns can now get appointments with the VITA program held at Odell Weeks Activity Center in Aiken. Pick up information packets for this free program at the New Ellenton library Monday through Thursday, 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., or at Odell Weeks Activity Center. This program is sponsored by United Way and ACTS.

MYF Meal signup sheet are posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. PLEASE sign up.

The Sanctuary Flower sign up calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

On Sunday, March 10 the United Methodist Women in Faith are hosting a Salad Bar Dinner at 5 PM in the Family Life Center. All women of the church are invited. Come join us for an evening of Christian Fellowship.

**Ministry Staff**

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