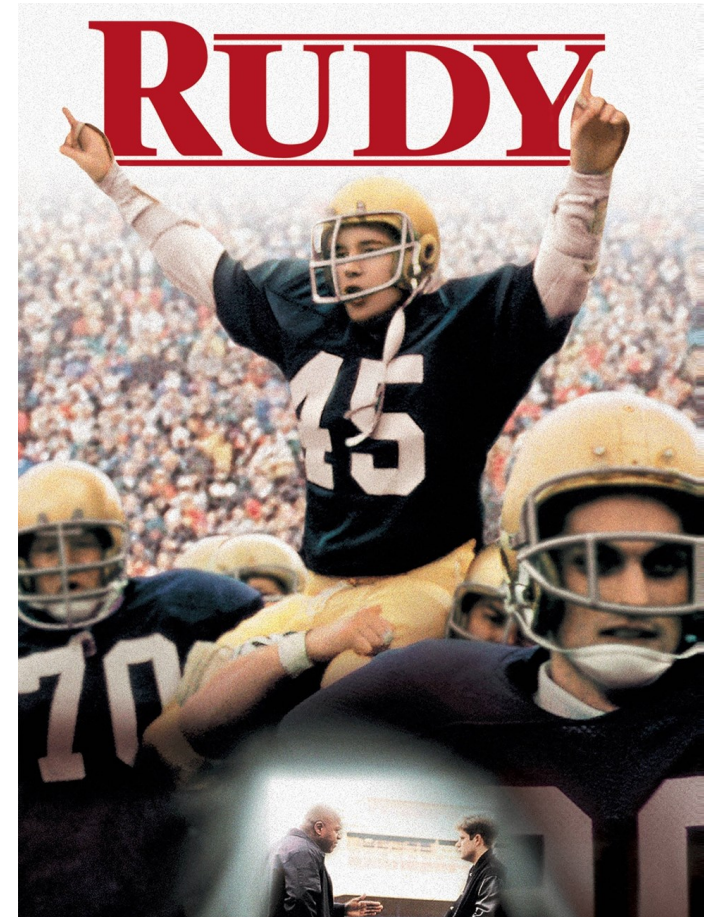




ST. PAUL

United Methodist Church

New Ellenton, SC



April 21, 2024

10:30 AM

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Acolyte This Week	Lauren Akins
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Lay Reader Next Week	J.B. Morrow
Nursery Workers This Week	Eirene Ferguson Minnie Goodman
Nursery Workers Next Week	April Ramos Toby James

Ministry Staff

Rev. Joseph D. Kovas, Pastor

Music Director: Patsy Flowers

Church Office: Robin Coward

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

Sunday, April 21, 2024

4th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

* *Entering the Light of Christ*

* *Call to Worship* "Be Glorified" Choir

Welcome & Announcements Randy Stowe

Opening Prayer

* *Hymn* "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" UMH page 128

* *Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father"

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, 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 "I Will Trust In The Lord" 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* "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH page 474

Scripture Reading: Psalm 37 Pew Bible Page 510

Message **A PRAYER OF FAITH** Rev. Joseph D. Kovas

* *Closing Hymn* "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" Faith We Sing Page 2146

* *Postlude & Benediction*

(Carrying forth the Light of Christ into the world)
* Those who are able, Please stand.

St. Paul United Methodist Church - April 21, 2024 News & Announcements

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by April Ramos
in honor of In Honor of Janice Watkins' Birthday.*

Sunday, April 21

9:30 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
2:00 pm	Finance Meeting	Family Life Center
3:30 pm	Administrative Board Mtg.	Family Life Center
6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 26

8:30 am	ACTS Food Distribution	New Ellenton Civic Center
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Sunday, April 28

9:30 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	MYF	Family Life Center

Sunday, May 5

9:30 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	UMWF	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	MYF	Family Life Center

Thursday, May 9

5:00 pm	Nurture/Outreach Mtg.	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, May 12—Mother's Day—Epworth Sunday

9:30 am	Sunday School	Educational Building
10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall

Volunteers Needed! 3 to 7 Volunteers are Needed to Open and Close the Church Building for Sunday Services. We want to be able to Rotate Persons for 1 Sunday a Month. Any Person willing to help with Event Setup and Opening / Closings before Sunday Services are Needed.

We also need Persons that will assist with Preparing our Building/ Sanctuary/ Family Life Center for Special Events. Please Sign the "Church Help Volunteer List" in the Lobby.



Seamless Women's Bible Study will be at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall on the following dates: April 14, 21, 28 and May 5, 12, 19, 26.

Salkehatchie Registration Now Open!

We plan to go to Black Swamp Salkehatchie camp this summer, July 13-20. See Pastor Joseph or Randy Stowe for registration instructions.

Graduation Sunday May 19, 2024

St. Paul UMC will recognize our High School and College graduates on Sunday May 19, 2024 during our worship service. If you are graduating either from a high school or a college or graduate program, please let the church office know by Monday, April 29, 2024.

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Last year Epworth Children's Home served over 1,400 children and families through their statewide programs. Each of these children had this opportunity because of churches in South Carolina who embrace and provide for this ministry.

On Sunday, May 12th, 2024, we will participate in the annual Mother's Day Offering to benefit the children who call Epworth home, as well as each child and family touched by Epworth's ministries. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry.

For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

24 for '24 A Call to a Season of Prayer
for General Conference
BEGINNING MARCH 30

24 for '24- Our South Carolina UMC Bishop, L. Jonathan Holston, is encouraging all in our conference to pray for the upcoming General Conference held in Charlotte, North Carolina between April 23- May 3. Let us pray in the 24 days leading up to General Conference for God's Holy Spirit to bless and anoint all delegates who will attend.