



St. Paul
Ann Arbor

Sowing **truth**. Building **faith**. Shining **love**.

He parted from them
and was carried up
into heaven.



Welcome to Worship

May 17, 2026

10:45 AM, Earhart Campus



The Ascension of Our Lord

Sunday, May 17, 2026 (10:45 AM)

One church
with two
locations:

Downtown Campus
420 W. Liberty St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Worship:
Saturdays @ 6:30 PM
Sundays @ 8:30 AM

Discipleship Hour:
Sundays @ 9:45 AM

Earhart Campus
495 Earhart Rd.
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

Worship:
Sundays @ 10:45 AM

Discipleship Hour:
Sundays @ 9:45 AM



Welcome to St. Paul Ann Arbor!

We are so glad you're here. At St. Paul, we value **unity**. Whether you are a long-time member or visiting for the first time, we want you to feel connected to one another and to the hope we have in Jesus.

Getting Connected

Our pastors would love to meet you! If they don't get a chance to greet you before the service, please stop by afterward to say hi.

- **The Black Folder:** Guests, please find the folder at the end of your row to share your name and contact info. We'd love to know more about you!
- **What's Next?** Flip to the back page of this worship folder to see upcoming events and groups for connecting with others and serving the community.
- **Coffee & Discipleship:** Coffee is available in the gym lobby! Also, join us Sundays at **9:45 AM** for "Discipleship Hour." We have coffee, treats, and Discipleship activities for all ages!

About Holy Communion

In Holy Communion, God's people gather as Jesus taught, united in what we believe. Sharing the beliefs and practices of the **Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS)**, we confess that this meal is more than a symbol. We confess (believe, speak, and live this truth):

- Jesus gives His true **body and blood** in the bread and wine of Holy Communion for the forgiveness of sins.
- God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—gives His gift of salvation in Baptism.
- We are sinners who need the gifts Jesus offers by His death and resurrection, as God promises in His inspired Word (the Bible).
- Holy Communion is something God gives His people as we gather for forgiveness and for the strength to live in God's Word by the Holy Spirit and to daily follow Jesus.

Should I commune? If you share this confession of faith, we welcome you to the table! If you have questions or hold different beliefs from those above, **we invite you to come forward for a blessing** (simply cross your arms over your chest). A pastor also would love to chat with you before or after the service to learn more.

Families with Children

We love having kids in worship! (Yes, even if they're wiggling or crying.) If you're here with little ones, you'll find Activity Bags and Children's Bulletins at the gym entrance. If your child becomes upset, don't worry; we've all been there. Some parents like to step into the lobby or walk around the gym entrance for a few moments. Please feel comfortable to do the same. You're always welcome here, and we're glad your children are here too!

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Eight 4 Processional

Charles Ore (b. 1936)

arr. Bill Wilson

God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz (1919–2009)

arr. Jonathan Crutchfield

WORDS OF WELCOME



THE LIGHTED PASCHAL CANDLE— Resurrection victory over the darkness of sin and death; emphasizes the resurrected presence of Christ among us; a reminder of the link between a believer's baptism and the resurrection.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN

“Up through Endless Ranks of Angels”



(LSB# 491)



1 Up through end - less ranks of an - gels, Cries of tri - umph
Choir: 2 Death - de - stroy - ing, life - re - stor - ing, Prov - en e - qual
3 To our lives of wan - ton wan - d'ring Send Your Spir - it,
△ 4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to breathe the



in His ears, To His heav'n - ly throne as - cend - ing,
to our need, Now for us be - fore the Fa - ther
prom - ised guide; Through our lives of fear and fail - ure
Spir - it's grace! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Hav - ing van - quished all their fears, Christ looks down up -
As our broth - er in - ter - cede; Flesh that for our
With Your pow'r and love a - bide; Wel - come us, as
Oh, to see the Fa - ther's face! Al - le - lu - ia,



on His faith - ful, Leav - ing them in hap - py tears.
world was wound - ed, Liv - ing, for the wound - ed plead!
You were wel - comed, To an end - less Eas - ter - tide.
al - le - lu - ia! Oh, to feel the Son's em - brace!

WE CALL UPON THE NAME OF GOD

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made in remembrance of your Baptism.

*Invocation
Matthew 28:19b*

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: **Amen!**

WE TURN TO GOD, MINDFUL OF OUR SINFULNESS

*Confession of Sins
(1 John 2:1, Philippians 2:1–11)*

P: Because Christ ascended and sits at the right hand of the Father, from now on
“if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father— Jesus Christ the righteous.”
As people in need of forgiveness, let us confess our sins to God our heavenly Father.

Blessed Lord, King of the universe, You rule and reign over all things.

C: **Yet we elevate ourselves in arrogance above others and above You.**

P: You sent Your Son, Jesus, as a model of humility, as a servant of all.

C: **Yet we neglect the needs of others, and we put our interests first.**

P: Jesus became human like us in all respects.

C: **Yet we ignore others’ struggles, withholding our care and sympathy.**

P: Christ offered Himself as our substitute, giving His very life for us.

C: **Yet we selfishly hoard our gifts, keeping them from others.**

P: Now exalted above all things, it is at the name of Jesus that every knee should bow.

C: **Yet it is the sinful condition of our heart to seek its own glory.**

P: Merciful Father, hear the heartfelt pleas of Your people:

C: **Forgive us these—our sins. Reform our ambitions to model those of our risen Savior, that our words and deeds would confess that He is Lord, to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

(We observe a moment of quiet reflection as we consider our own sinful condition)

GOD TURNS TO US, EAGER TO FORGIVE

Absolution

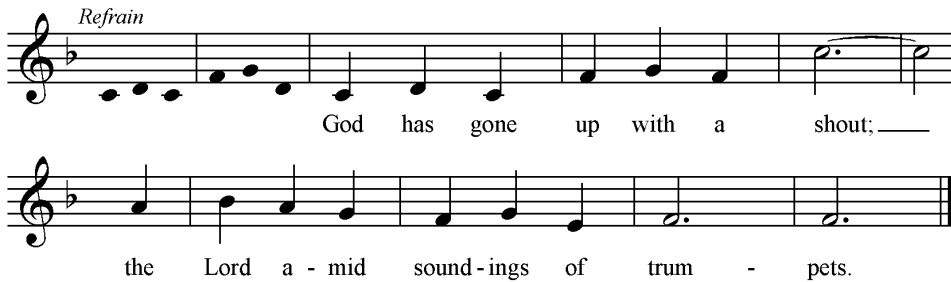
P: As the disciples returned from Jesus’ ascension filled with mighty joy, you also are renewed in Christ’s saving promise. Through faith in Him, you have been reconciled to God and stand restored in His presence. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of Christ, in His place and by His command, I forgive you for all of your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen!**

PSALM FOR ASCENSION

Psalm 47 (arr. Henry V. Gerike)

Refrain



God has gone up with a shout; ___
the Lord amid soundings of trumpets.

Psalm Tone



All: REFRAIN

Choir: Clap your hands, all you | nations;*
shout to God with | cries of joy.

**C: How awesome is the | Lord Most High,*
the great King over | all the earth!**

Choir: He subdued nations | under us,*
peoples un- | der our feet.

**C: He chose our inheri- | tance for us,*
the pride of Jacob, | whom he loved.**

All: REFRAIN

Choir: God has ascended amid | shouts of joy,*
the Lord amid the sounding of | trumpets.

**C: Sing praises to God, sing | praises;*
sing praises to our King, sing | praises.**

All: REFRAIN

Choir: For God is the King of | all the earth;*
sing to Him a | psalm of praise.

**C: God reigns over the | nations;*
God is seated on His | holy throne.**

Choir: The nobles of the nations assemble as the
people of the God of | Abraham,*
for the kings of the earth belong to God; He is greatly ex- | alted.

**C: How awesome is the | Lord Most High,*
the great King over | all the earth!**

All: REFRAIN

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Salutation & Collect

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Glory to You, O Christ, our ascended and ever-present Lord, through whom we have access to the Father. Glory to You, who loves us and has freed us from our sins. Glory to You, who has reconciled us all in one body unto God, through Your cross, so that we are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints in the household of God. Glory to You, who has gone before to prepare a place for us in Your Father's home. Glory to You, the Author and Finisher of our faith, that God in all things may be glorified.

C: **Amen.**

EASTER TO ASCENSION

Acts 1:1-11
(LSB# 490)



I Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
scenes will then com - mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.

P: In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, the disciples asked him,

C: **"Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"**

P: He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (ESV)

(LSB# 490)

2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is
 faith - ful; doubt-ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.

We Hear the Word of God

FIRST READING † Ephesians 1:15–23

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. (ESV)

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

**SCHOOL CHOIR
ANTHEM**

Alleluia! Christ Is Risen!

Michael Bedford (b. 1949)

*Alleluia! Christ is risen! See, the stone is rolled away!
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Spread the news to all this day.
Alleluia, Christ is risen from the dead!*

*Alleluia! Christ is risen! He's alive and we are free!
Alleluia! Christ is risen! Tell the people, "Come and see!"
Alleluia, Christ is risen from the dead!*

HOLY GOSPEL † Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴ [Jesus said to the disciples,] "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God." (ESV)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.


C: Praise to You, O Christ.



Kid's Word is for children ages 3 years-2nd grade. At the Sermon Hymn, children are dismissed with adult leaders and accompanied to the Fine Arts Room for an age-appropriate Bible message presented by Mrs. TK. Following the Sermon, the children are returned to their parents. Parents and other adults are always welcome to join us for Kid's Word!

HYMN

"See, the Lord Ascends in Triumph"

 (LSB# 494)



1 See, the Lord as - cends in tri - umph; Con - qu'ring King in
2 Who is this that comes in glo - ry With the trump of
3 While He lifts His hands in bless - ing, He is part - ed



roy - al state, Rid - ing on the clouds, His char - iot, To His
ju - bi - lee? Lord of bat - tles, God of ar - mies, He has
from His friends; While their ea - ger eyes be - hold Him, He up -



heav'n - ly pal - ace gate. Hark! The choirs of an - gel voic - es
gained the vic - to - ry. He who on the cross did suf - fer,
on the clouds as - cends. He who walked with God and pleased Him,



Joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing, And the por - tals
He who from the grave a - rose, He has van - quished
Preach - ing truth and doom to come, He, our E - noch,



high are lift - ed To re - ceive their heav'n - ly King.
sin and Sa - tan; He by death has crushed His foes.
is trans - lat - ed To His ev - er - last - ing home.

MESSAGE

"Christ Reigns! Rest... and More to Do"

Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins

Acts 1:1-11

**When the Lord returns from heaven on that final, glorious day,
All creation meets their Savior, mighty God in bright array—
Till that time, He calls: “Be faithful, be a witness of My love;
Seek the lost and help them follow in My ways to heav’n above!”**

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APOSTLES' 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, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Worship the Lord with Our Offerings

During the Offering, please let us know you're here! For members and guests who have our Church Center app, we ask you to please take a moment to Check In and let us know you are in worship with us today. For our guests and members who do not have our Church Center app, we invite you to please fill in the requested information in the Friendship Pad (the black folder located at the end of your row at the center aisle). Please pass it along for anyone else who might need it.

Want to give electronically? Simply scan the QR code here:
For other giving options, see the end of this worship folder.



OFFERING ANTHEM

O Clap Your Hands

R. Vaughan Williams
(1872–1958)

O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.

For the Lord most high is terrible: He is a great King over all the earth.

God is gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises unto our King, sing praises;

For God is King of all the earth; sing ye praises everyone that hath understanding.

God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of His holiness.

—Psalm 47: 1, 2, 5, 6-8

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

✝ Bob Burgess, *Principal*

TEACHER APPRECIATION

- ✝ Julie Novak (40 years)
- ✝ Andrew Contreras (35 years)
- ✝ Shelley Grissom (25 years)
- ✝ Jessica Meier (20 years)
- ✝ Rev. Aaron Roggow (15 years)
- ✝ Steve Schmit (15 years)

The Prayers We Bring to God



P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

PRAYERS for THIS DAY

(As prompted) P: *Lord, in Your mercy,*
C: **hear our prayer.**

P: Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who taught us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer
Matthew 6:9-13

C: **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.**

A Foretaste of the Great Feast in Heaven

CHRIST'S WORDS ESTABLISH THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Institution
1 Corinthians 11:23-25

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: *Take, eat; this is ☩ My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me.* In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: *Drink of it, all of you; this is ☩ My blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.*

Sharing the Peace of Christ

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Pax Domini

C: **Amen.**

John 20:19

An ancient and significant gesture in worship is the **Sharing of Peace**. This tradition, rooted in Scripture (1 Peter 5:14; Romans 16:16), recognizes that one of the biggest dangers in the body of Christ is disunity—both from grievances not forgiven and from not knowing our neighbors. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who entered into our world, came to know humanity from the inside, and restored peace between God and all people. When we share the peace of Christ, we desire to know and be at peace with everyone who comes into our midst, especially those we are meeting for the first time.

“Peace be with you.” ☩ “The peace of Christ be with you.”

LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei (LSB# 962)
John 1:29

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace, grant us Your peace.

WE COME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Communion Distribution

Please note before receiving Holy Communion: *Please read the brief statement of our beliefs, "About Holy Communion", found at the beginning of our worship folder. Our pastors would be happy to meet with you to discuss our beliefs further, and help prepare you for Communion.*



- Hymns:** "Here Is Love" (See page 14)
"On Christ's Ascension I Now Build" (See page 15)
"Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious" (See page 16)

Instrumental: St. Patrick's Breastplate *Irish hymn*

WORDS OF PEACE AND JOY

Communicants' Dismissal

- P: Now may this Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart with ☩ Easter joy!
C: **Amen.**

TAKING IT HOME

Luke 24:50,51,52 (ESV)

- P: "Lifting up his hands, [Jesus] blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven.
C: **And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy."**

WE RECEIVE THE BLESSING OF GOD

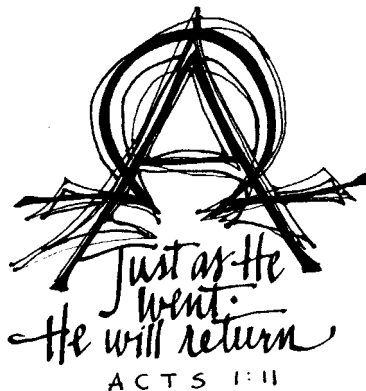
*Benediction
Numbers 6:24-26*

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with His favor and ☩ give you peace.
C: **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER ACCLAMATION

- P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!
C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**



HYMN

"There Is a Redeemer"



(LSB# 971)



1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

POSTLUDE

The Saints' Hallelujah

arr. Luther Henderson





Our Worship Servants

Liturgist: Rev. Aaron Roggow
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Ted Hopkins
Lay Reader: Terrance Ballantyne
Director of Music: Dr. John Boonenberg
School Choir Director: Lisa Altevogt
Choirs: K-2nd Grade School Choir
Adult Choir
Instrumentalists: St. Paul Brass & Percussion Ensemble
Family Worship Team: Longo family
Hospitality: Steve & Karyn Kemp, Shannon Seehafer
Elder: Nate Humphrey

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Distribution Hymns

"Here Is Love"

(Giles/Rivers/Edwards/Rees)



1. Here is love vast as the o - cean, lov - ing kind - ness as the flood,
2. On the Mount of Cru - ci - fix - ion foun - tains op - ened deep and wide;
3. Here is love that con - quered e - vil: Christ, the first - born from the grave.
4. That same love be - yond all mea - sure, mocked and slain by hate - ful men,
5. Here is love vast as the hea - vens; count - less as the stars a - bove



when the Prince of life, our ran - som shed for us His pre - cious blood.
through the flood - gates of God's mer - cy flowed a vast and gra - cious tide.
Death has failed to be found e - qual to the life of Him who saves.
lives and reigns in res - ur - rect - ion and can ne - ver die a - gain.
are the souls that He has ran - somed, pre - cious daugh - ters, trea - sured sons.



Who His love will not re - mem - ber? Who can cease to sing His praise?
Grace and love, like migh - ty ri - vers, poured in - ces - sant from a - bove;
In the val - ley of our dark - ness, dawned His e - ver - las - ting light;
Here is love for all the a - ges, ra - diant Sun of Heav'n He stands,
We are called to feast for - e - ver on a love be - yond our time.



He can ne - ver be for - got - ten through - out heav'n's e - ter - nal days.
hea - ven's peace and per - fect just - ice kissed a guil - ty world in love.
per - fect love in glo - rious ra - diance has re - pelled death's hel - lish night.
cal ling home His Fa - ther's child - ren, hold - ing forth His wound - ed hands.
Glo - rious Fa - ther, Son and Spi - rit now with man are in - ter - twined.

"On Christ's Ascension I Now Build"

(LSB# 492)



1 On Christ's as - cen - sion I now build The hope of my as -
 2 Since Christ re - turned to claim His throne, Great gifts for me ob -
 3 O grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Re - call - ing Your as -



cen - sion; This hope a - lone has al - ways stilled All doubt and
 tain - ing, My heart will rest in Him a - lone, No oth - er
 cen - sion, That I may serve You faith - ful - ly In thanks for



ap - pre - hen - sion; For where the Head is, there as well I
 rest re - main - ing; For where my trea - sure went be - fore, There
 my re - demp - tion; And then, when all my days will cease, Let



know His mem - bers are to dwell When Christ will come and call them.
 all my thoughts will ev - er soar To still their deep - est yearn - ing.
 me de - part in joy and peace In an - swer to my plead - ing.

"Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious"

(LSB# 495)



1 Look, ye saints, the sight is glo - rious; See the Man of
 2 Crown the Sav - ior! An - gels, crown Him! Rich the tro - phies
 3 Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned Him, Mock - ing thus the
 4 Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those loud tri -



Sor - rows now! From the fight re - turned vic - to - rious,
 Je - sus brings; On the seat of pow'r en - throne Him
 Sav - ior's claim; Saints and an - gels crowd a - round Him,
 um - phant chords! Je - sus takes the high - est sta - tion;



Ev - 'ry knee to Him shall bow. Crown Him! Crown Him!
 While the vault of heav - en rings. Crown Him! Crown Him!
 Own His ti - tle, praise His name. Crown Him! Crown Him!
 Oh, what joy the sight af - fords! Crown Him! Crown Him!



Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crowns be - come the
 Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown the Sav - ior
 Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Spread a - broad the
 Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! Crown Him! King of kings and



vic - tor's brow. Crowns be - come the vic - tor's brow.
 King of kings. Crown the Sav - ior King of kings.
 vic - tor's fame. Spread a - broad the vic - tor's fame.
 Lord of lords! King of kings and Lord of lords!

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2025-2026 SPAA Attendance and Offering						
Month	Attendance	Offering	Budget	Bud. Var.	Prior Year	PY Var.
July	278	\$ 85,561	\$ 103,200	\$ (17,639)	\$ 95,048	\$ (9,487)
August	292	\$ 92,582	\$ 129,100	\$ (36,518)	\$ 87,623	\$ 4,960
September	364	\$ 108,717	\$ 106,200	\$ 2,517	\$ 98,203	\$ 10,514
October	347	\$ 112,763	\$ 106,200	\$ 6,563	\$ 140,243	\$ (27,480)
November	311	\$ 135,822	\$ 132,800	\$ 3,022	\$ 106,819	\$ 29,004
December	291	\$ 163,097	\$ 123,200	\$ 39,897	\$ 157,855	\$ 5,242
January	306	\$ 91,986	\$ 106,200	\$ (14,214)	\$ 107,378	\$ (15,392)
February	350	\$ 128,052	\$ 107,400	\$ 20,652	\$ 87,936	\$ 40,116
March	356	\$ 118,257	\$ 135,200	\$ (16,943)	\$ 118,139	\$ 118
April	-	\$ -	\$ 114,900	\$ -	\$ 95,801	\$ -
May	-	\$ -	\$ 132,800	\$ -	\$ 112,259	\$ -
June	-	\$ -	\$ 104,800	\$ -	\$ 122,082	\$ -
YTD	322	\$ 1,036,837	\$ 1,402,000	\$ (12,663)	\$ 1,329,384	\$ 37,595



News & Upcoming Events

Don't miss out! Sign up for our e-News at: www.stpaulannarbor.org/news-and-events



Save the Date: Congregation Voters' Meeting on Sunday, May 31

Join us on Sunday, May 31st at 11:30am (after the late service) in the gym at our School Campus (495 Earhart Rd) for a Voters' Meeting. Meeting topics will include voting on 1 open Board of Directors position and also re-election of Elders (including 2 open Elder positions). Handouts are available by scanning the QR code. Hard copies can be found at worship entrances beginning May 17.

Pentecost Sunday – Kid Readers Needed!

On Palm Sunday, we did a dramatic reading of the triumphal entry of Jesus during our Sunday morning services, and we are looking at doing more! We are looking for kids who want to be a part of acting out scriptures to better understand them and bless our church by making our scriptures come off the page. **We specifically need help to do the reading for Pentecost, Sunday May 24th, Memorial Day Weekend at both the 8:30am and the 10:15am services.** No memorization is needed, and one brief rehearsal may be scheduled. Please contact Kristin Hallman, hallmankm@gmail.com, if you have a child who is interested. If your child is interested, but is not available that weekend, please still contact me, so that I can put them into a contact list for when another comes along!

Hospitality Training

St. Paul strives to be a hospitable congregation welcoming visitors and newer members. One of the ways we do this is through our hospitality teams. You don't have to be an official member of the hospitality team to reach out and welcome people you don't recognize into our church. If you have a heart for welcoming newcomers or you are potentially interested in joining the hospitality team, you are invited to join us for a hospitality training on **May 31st**. This training will be offered at both locations with the downtown one taking place after the 8:30 service in the fellowship hall in the sanctuary and the Earhart training will start at 9:30am in the 7th grade classroom.



VBS Snack Donations Needed

Help us feed 200 kids and 100 volunteers at VBS! You can click the link to see what donations we still need. This year we are using Amazon so you can order the item and have it sent directly to us at St. Paul. Scan QR code for snack donation link!

Spring UNITY Newsletter now available!

Curious about what the summer will bring with our building project, where our vision process is at or what our youth are up to this summer? Want to read all about our Easter Festival and Puerto Rico missions? Check out our SPAA spring newsletter, The UNITY, available by scanning the QR code here or by picking up a hard copy at worship entrances.

