



**October 20, 2019**

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Words Matter: Lost in Translation**

Rev. Becky Rokitoski

**The mission of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church is to be a faithful community of disciples who serve as the heart, hands and feet of Christ so that all people come to know the love of God.**

# 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please see our ushers for large print hymnals and bulletins.  
We, also, have hearing loops for hearing aids with t-coil technology.

**Prelude**                      *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*                      arr. M. Kim

**Welcome and Announcements**                      Rev. Becky Rokitowski

**Choral Call to Worship (11:00)**    Old Church Choir                      arr. M. Barrett  
Se'lah

## Call to Worship

O Lord, save us from hardness of heart, where your word cannot take root.

**O Lord, save us from shallowness of mind, where your word withers away.**

O Lord, save us from the deceitfulness of riches, where your word is choked by worry.

**But Lord, grant that our hearts may be fertile soil, where your word flourishes and yields a harvest, bringing abundant life to all your children. AMEN.**

\* **Opening Hymn**                      *He Leadeth Me*                      UMH 128

\* **A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church**                      UMH 884

\* **Gloria Patri**

## Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Anthem (8:30)**                      *Old Church Choir*                      arr. M. Barrett  
Se'lah  
(11:00)                      *Then Sings My Soul*                      M. McDonald

## Children's Chat

**Scripture**                      Philippians 4:13                      New Testament pg. 199

**Sermon**                      **Words Matter: Lost in Translation**  
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**Offering (8:30)**                      *All Things Bright and Beautiful*                      R.F. Swift  
(11:00)                      *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*                      C. Wesley/M. Miller  
Youth Choir

\* **Doxology**

## Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30)

*Gluten-free bread is available. Please make your need known to those serving communion.*

\* **Closing Hymn**                      *Thy Word Is a Lamp*                      UMH 601

\* **Benediction**

\* **Benediction Response**    *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (vs. 3)*                      UMH 89

**Postlude**                      *Postlude on Azmon*                      A.L. Page



Jane Lo grew up Methodist and went on her share of youth mission trips. Here in Tallahassee, she had also been learning a lot about basic carpentry and home maintenance. So when Hurricane Irma hit and Saint Paul's put together a mission team to help Floridians rebuild, Jane thought she should join it.

Join it, even if she was — how shall we put this? — on the younger side. Also, female. She wondered what her experience would feel like, but looking back she could not speak more warmly about the friendships she made.

"My experience on that trip was everyone was so generous and welcome and self-deprecating in a way that only Methodists know how to be," she said. "You wouldn't think you'd have much in common, but it was a really fun trip. You got to see a lot of heart."

On that first mission trip in 2018, the FSU professor helped install flooring in a Middleburg home that had been nearly submerged by rising river water. The hurricane relief mission team would be called into action again after Hurricane Michael hit. For the April, 2019, trip, her work schedule kept her here, except for one day that she put to good use repairing a roof in Marianna. It was clear that the community had experienced extreme poverty even before the storm hit.

"Being able to bless someone in this way was really, really powerful and impactful," she said. "It's a cliché, but you go to serve and you receive so much more from the people. These people open their homes to you. Their vulnerability — it's extremely humbling."

Jane says both trips were paid for by a mix of self-funding and church funding, but mostly the latter. She encourages people to give now so that when an emergency happens later, the organization and funds are in place to start helping people as quickly as possible.

"It's important to people to give so that things like this can happen. It's a way for folks who may not be able to physically do the work or have time to actually contribute," she said.

"And prayers, definitely. We really felt people praying for us."

Commitment Sunday is November 17, 2019

## **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR**

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Stephanie Corry in celebration of her father, Howard Watkins, 91st birthday.

# Around Saint Paul's

## MUSIC AT SAINT PAUL'S

**Toddler and Preschool Music Groups** are excited to be in our newly renovated Music Room with lots of space and no distractions! PreK 3-4 year olds are invited to join Mrs. Gaye, and Toddlers with their care-giver are invited to join Mrs. Stephany for developmentally appropriate music and movement activities on Wednesday afternoons from 5:30-5:55.

**SPARKS Choir** will sing and play a percussion story, focusing on two of our "Heroes of the Faith," for our 11:00 a.m. Service of Worship on Sunday, October 27.

**Youth Choir** sings this morning for the 11:00 a.m. Service. We'll warm up at 10:45, and **will** be rehearsing this afternoon at 4:30. We're getting ready for our next singing date and are working on our Christmas/Advent offerings.

**Saint Paul's Dancers** will rehearse with the bell choir at 6:30 in the sanctuary. We'll dance for the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Services of Worship on Sunday, October 27.

**Handbell Choir** rehearses this evening at 6:00. We'll play for the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Services of Worship on Sunday, October 27, accompanying our Dancers.

**Covenant Chancel Choir** meets Tuesdays from 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. in the Choir Room. This choir sings at the 11:00 worship service weekly and occasionally at the 8:30 service. We, also, perform Christmas and Easter cantatas. We would love for you to try us out. Email Cynthia Prescott at [prescottc1360@gmail.com](mailto:prescottc1360@gmail.com) to learn more.

**Se'lah** If you want to sing but can't commit to singing weekly in worship, Se'lah is for you! We rehearse Tuesdays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. This group sings once a month in the worship services and gives an annual concert. Email Cynthia Prescott at [prescottc1360@gmail.com](mailto:prescottc1360@gmail.com) for details.

**THE COVENANT CHANCEL CHOIR** has begun rehearsing the Christmas Cantata *The Song Heard 'Round the World'* and invites you to sing with us. We rehearse Tuesday evenings 6:45 - 7:15 and practice CDs are available. For more information, contact Cynthia Prescott at [cynpres@comcast.net](mailto:cynpres@comcast.net) or 556-0168.

**THE UNIVERSAL CHRIST BY RICHARD ROHR** - Our Wednesday night class is a discussion of Richard Rohr's book *The Universal Christ*. Wednesdays through November 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Please feel free to join us for any or all of these discussions. We utilize a mixture of discussion and contemplative practices related to the book material and suggested by Richard Rohr.

**GRIEF SHARE** - Saint Paul's GriefShare class meets Wednesdays through December 18, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in room 302. Cost is \$15.00. This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching focused on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. You will find encouragement, comfort, and help in grieving the death of a loved one or friend. You will learn how to recognize the symptoms of being stuck in grief and that you do not need to live in bondage to certain emotions. The class will be lead by Andra Cornelius. To register call the church office, 385-5146.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAM** – This is an important season in the life of the United Methodist Church, and especially Saint Paul's UMC. We are gathering a Strategic Planning Team to consider our future together and to make plans for the next several years. If you would like to serve on this team, please contact Pastor Kandace at ([kandace@saintpaulsumc.org](mailto:kandace@saintpaulsumc.org)).

**PMO ~ SAINT PAUL'S PARENTS MORNING OUT** - Parent's Morning Out is our weekday ministry to parents of little ones. The program includes free play, a weekly music class, crafts, playground time, and snacks. Our hours are 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., and we follow the traditional school calendar. For more information, please go to Children's Ministries on our website. **SPOTS AVAILABLE NOW.**

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### WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Dinner in Sanders Hall - 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Reservations due by midnight Monday by calling 385-5146 or online at [saintpaulsumc.org](http://saintpaulsumc.org). \$7 adults, \$3 ages 4 - 12.  
October 23: Baked Spaghetti

**I SAID THIS YOU HEARD THAT BIBLE STUDY** - Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. through November 20. *How Your Wiring Colors Your Communication* by Kathleen Edelman and led by Mike and Malena Allison. If you've ever said the wrong thing (or said the right thing the wrong way) you know how quickly your mouth can make a big mess. But it doesn't have to be that way. This 6-session video study explores how your wiring affects what you say, how you listen, and how others hear you. And you'll see how advice from the apostle Paul thousands of years ago may have held the secret all along. Please sign up for the class and for childcare on the website.

**YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL** begins a new lesson series October 27 with *UNAFRAID - Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times* by Adam Hamilton. The study guide was written expressly for youth and there are accompanying videos we'll watch each week. And, as with every youth lesson series, we'll have group-building games, snacks, and more! Every Sunday at 9:45 in room 211.

**TRUNK OR TREAT!** We need your trunks and treats for our 16th annual Trunk or Treat event Sunday, October 27, 5:00 p.m. Bins for candy collection will be in the narthexes. Please sign up online under UPCOMING EVENTS or contact Jill Merryday. Thank you so much!

**CUBA TRIP** - Terry Denham will be leading a small team from Tallahassee to visit Cuba to deepen our relationships with our sister churches. You are invited to come. February 6-13, 2020, we will travel as a group and then go to our own sister churches. This is a relationship-building week rather than a construction mission. Total cost is estimated to be \$1,750. Contact person: David Gill, [davidmurrahgill@gmail.com](mailto:davidmurrahgill@gmail.com), 352-223-2759. We must commit by November 1.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for Sunday, November 17, when we'll have our Alternative Christmas Market. Purchase special Christmas gifts and support Saint Paul's missions ministries all at the same time!

## This Week at Saint Paul's

### Sunday, October 20

**4:30 pm** Youth Choir/CR  
**5:15 pm** ROOTED Sunday Night/SH  
**6:00 pm** Handbells/S  
**6:30 pm** SP Dancers/S

### Monday, October 21

**8:00 am** Classical Conversations/All Rms  
**6:00 pm** MOPS MNO/N  
**6:30 pm** Core Ministries/301

### Tuesday, October 22

**10:30am** Creation Care T-shirt bags/309  
**6:00 pm** Covenant Chancel Choir/CR  
**7:30 pm** Se'lah Choir/CR

### Wednesday, October 23

**8:00 am** Prayer Group/C  
**10:30am** Soul Food Bagging/308  
**3:00 pm** SPARKS/301/310/CR  
**3:15 pm** Midtown Classical/210/211

### Wednesday, October 16 cont.

**5:15 pm** Wednesday Night Dinner/SH  
**5:30 pm** Preschool Music/200 Level  
**6:15 pm** The Universal Christ/C  
**6:30 pm** Couples Bible Study/300  
**6:30 pm** GriefShare/302

### Thursday, October 24

**9:15 am** MOPS/SH/200 Level  
**10:00am** Novel Chats/C  
**6:30 pm** Tall. Community Chorus/301

### Friday, October 25

**Church Office Closed**  
**9:00 am** Alzheimer's Respite/P/C  
**6:00 pm** Midtown Classical/210-211

### Saturday, October 26

**9:30 am** Soul Food Distribution/Lake Ella

**ROOM KEY:** CR - Choir Room / CH - Chapel / CY - Courtyard / F - Foundation / L - Library / N - Nursery / P - Parlor / S - Sanctuary / SH - Sanders Hall / SHK - Sanders Hall Kitchen / WR - Work Room



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### WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Nurseries for ages infant to five years are located in the lower level of the sanctuary building. One of our friendly ushers can give directions to restrooms.

### AIDS FOR THE VISUALLY AND HEARING IMPAIRED

Are available from our ushers. Kindly return the large-print hymnal at the end of worship. We, also, have hearing loops for hearing aids with t-coil technology.

### NAME TAGS

Name tags help us get to know one another better. They are located in the narthexes. If you need a name tag, please indicate so on the attendance pad so we can make one for you. Please wear your name tag each week during worship.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

A wide variety of adult Sunday School classes and age-appropriate classes for children and youth are offered at 9:45. For details, visit the welcome table in Sanders Hall or call our office.

### INTERESTED IN JOINING SAINT PAUL'S?

If you are interested in becoming a member of Saint Paul's, please indicate so on the attendance pad. We will set a date for you to be received with joy!

#### Financial Snapshot

Expenses to date: \$687,068.00      Average weekly expenses (2018): \$18,269.00  
Income to date: \$662,495.00

Actual Income:	October 6	October 13	October 20	October 27
	\$14,106.00	\$19,727.00		

Oct. 13 attendance: 8:30: 87    11:00: 134    Sunday School: 63

**We encourage you to give on-line** - No wallet required! It's fast, safe, and secure. Use your phone's camera and hover over the image to go directly to the webpage for online giving.



### Saint Paul's Staff

Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks, Senior Pastor  
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