

New Places for New People: Can These Bones Live?
Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks

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 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.

Gathering God of Wonders M. Byrd/S. Hindalong

Worship Band

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### Call to Worship

We have come, broken, battered, and lifeless. Our bones are dry and we have lost sight of who we are.

Breathe new life into us that we might live.

We need your resurrection power to fall in our lives today.

Breathe new life into our lives,

Breathe new life into our homes,

Breathe new life into our neighborhoods,

Breathe new life into our relationships,

Breathe new life into our church.

\* Opening Hymn Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy UMH 340

**Call to Prayer** Come and Find the Quiet Center S.E. Murray/Beach Spring

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Children's Chat

**Scripture** Ezekiel 37:1-10 New Testament pg. 806

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Offering Come Alive (Dry Bones) L. Daigle/M. Farren

Worship Band

\* Doxology

Sacrament of Holy Communion Gather Us In M. Haugen

\* Closing Hymn As a Fire Is Meant for Burning R. Duck/Beach Spring

### \* Closing Prayer

Life-giving God, breathe on us. Inspire these dry bones to rise up and be a new creation in your name.

Dear Lord, multiply your kingdom through us. Amen.

**Going Forth** Gather Us In M. Haugen

### **ROSE ON THE ALTAR**

The rose on the altar is for the birth of Mark Leon Woodward, son of Paul and Julia Woodward, grandson of David and Susan Gill.

### 11:00 a.m. ORDER OF WORSHIP

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**Prelude** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling setting by S.M. Wallace

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\* Opening Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH 384

\* Creed A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada UMH 883

\* Gloria Patri

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

**Anthem** Now Sing we Joyfully unto God G. Young

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Offering Meditation on Psalm 46:1 D. Wagner

\* Doxology

\* Closing Hymn Breathe on Me, Breath of God UMH 420

\* Closing Prayer

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**Postlude** I Will Arise and Go to Jesus arr. D. Phillips

### FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of John Martin.

# **Around Saint Paul's**

### **MUSIC AT SAINT PAUL'S**

**Preschool and Toddler Music Groups** meet Wednesday afternoons from 5:30-5:55 in the Children's Ministry Wing. Contact Gaye (gaye@saintpauls umc.org) if you're interested in your little ones joining us.

**SPARKS Choi**r (Grades K-5) is working on our Spring musical, "Heroes of the Faith." We meet in the Children's Music Room on Wednesday afternoons during SPARKS time.

**Youth Choir** WILL meet this afternoon at 4:30. If you're not going on the Winter Retreat, join us!

Handbell Choir will not meet tonight.

**Covenant Chancel Choir** meets 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. in the Choir Room. This choir sings at the 11:00 worship service weekly and occasionally at the 8:30 worship service. We, also, perform Christmas and Easter cantatas. We would love for you to try us out. For more information email Cynthia Prescott at <a href="mailto:prescottc1360@gmail.com">prescottc1360@gmail.com</a>.

**Se'lah** If you want to sing but don't feel that you can commit to singing weekly in worship, Se'lah may work for you! We rehearse Tuesdays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. This group sings once a month in the morning worship services and gives an annual concert. For more information, email Cynthia Prescott at <a href="mailto:prescott:1360@gmail.com">prescott:1360@gmail.com</a>

- **CLIMATE JUSTICE CLASS** Climate impacts from extreme weather such as massive hurricanes and fires are in the news and Greta Thunberg was just named Time's Person of the Year for her climate justice efforts. Join our Creation Care team as we learn how people all over the world are responding to the climate crisis, and how Christians are mobilizing to help those in harms way. You can register for this six week Wednesday evening class at <a href="https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/78bdb7">https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/78bdb7</a>.
- THE STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAM The Strategic Planning Team is using the month of January to gather information from the congregation about the future of Saint Paul's UMC. During the month, a total of eight listening sessions will be held to hear from you. While we identified approximately 70 persons in the congregation to specifically invite into these conversations, ALL are welcome to participate. You may use this link <a href="https://saintpaulsumc.Breeze chms.com/form/95d251">https://saintpaulsumc.Breeze chms.com/form/95d251</a> to register to attend ONE session and lend your voice to the Strategic Planning Process. There are sessions scheduled at all different times of the day to accommodate as many as possible. Thank you for your input.
- **CRAFTY CROP** This Saturday, II:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., in the Parlor. Join women as we come together with our projects to get them done! Fellowship is fabulous, but so is our creative productive side! Signup online or RSVP on the Facebook Group page, "Crafty Crop @ Saint Paul's" Link: <a href="https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/8a4ce393">https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/8a4ce393</a>
- **DATE NIGHT** ~ Saturday! NEW in 2020! Pizza will be served, so no need to provide the kid's dinner. Just drop off and go! Parents, sign up to leave your kiddos with our wonderful staff on Saturday, January 25, 5:00 8:00 p.m.! Online registration is required. For more information, contact Bridget Weisbrod, <a href="mailto:bridget@saint">bridget@saint</a> paulsumc.org. Link: https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/38dab038
- **SPARKS** January is a GREAT TIME for Kindergarten-5th grade ages to join the fun on Wednesday afternoons! We continue our stories on Biblical heroes and learning our spring musical! Contact Jill Merryday or Kambea Chan for more info. Link: <a href="https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/53e53f">https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/53e53f</a>
- **SPARKS BUS DRIVER NEEDED** Wednesdays, 2:30 3:30 p.m. Please call Jill Merryday, 443-9428. No special driver's license needed.

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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 <u>saintpaulsumc.org</u>. \$7 adults, \$3 ages 4 - 12. January 22: Chicken Parmesean

- **CONFIRMATION CLASSES** Begin Sunday, January 26. If you are in 7<sup>th</sup> grade or higher and are ready to take the next step in your faith and become a full member of the church, join us during the Sunday School hour in the youth room 211. We will meet together as one class and then break off and go across the hall for confirmation. We will meet January 26 through March 8.
- I BEG TO DIFFER Friends and strangers clash with each other over issues large and small. Coworkers have conflicts in the office. Married couples fight over finances. People demonize each other on social media. Is there any hope for civil discourse? This course, led by Rev. Dr. Brooks, will provide a strategy for having difficult conversations, helping us move from contentious debate to constructive dialogue. Using insights from Scripture and communication theology, this class will provide practical ways to manage disagreements and resolve conflicts. Class will meet Wednesday, January 29 February 19, in room 326. Please go to <a href="https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/66c487">https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/66c487</a> to sign up for the class.
- **CHILI COOK-OFF** Everyone mark your calendars for Sunday, February 2, 2020! There are titles to defend, and chili to be eaten as the youth group hosts our annual chili cook-off! Come support our youth as they raise money for their summer mission trip. Look for sign-ups this month, and come hungry. Our Chili Cook-off will be in Sanders Hall right after worship.
- **WOMEN'S RETREAT Stronger than the Storm**. February 7 9 on Saint George Island. Sign up *now* and read all the details on the church website under "Quicklinks". Fee is \$150. If registration is full, please call Peggy Benton (385-5146) to be put on a waiting list. Additional housing may be possible.

SAVE THE DATE: VBS 2020 — June 29 - July 2.

## This Week at Saint Paul's

### Sunday, January 19 Youth Winter Retreat

**3:00 pm** Strategic Planning Focus Group/325

4:30 pm Youth Choir/CR

6:00 pm Midtown Classical Concert/S

Monday, January 20 Youth Winter Retreat 7:00 pm Trustees/325

Tuesday, January 21

8:00 am Classical Conversations/210-211

**9:30 am** Mommy & Me Music/200

10:00am Strategic Planning Focus Group/325

**6:15 pm** Covenant Chancel Choir/CR

6:30 pm Creation Care Talk/SH

7:30 pm Se'lah Choir/CR

Wednesday, January 22

8:00 am Prayer Group/325

10:30am Creation Care T-Shirts/302

10:30am Soul Food Bagging/308

3:00 pm SPARKS/100 Level

### Wednesday, January 22 cont.

3:15 pm Midtown Classical/P/210/2115:15 pm Wednesday Night Dinner/SH5:30 pm PreSchool Music/200 Level

6:00 pm Strategic Planning Focus Group/325

6:30 pm Climate Justice/310

### Thursday, January 23

10:00am Novel Chats/C

10:00am Strategic Planning Focus Group/325

6:30 pm Boy Scout Banquet/SH

## Friday, January 24

**Church Office Closed** 

9:00 am Alzheimer's Respite/P

6:00 pm Midtown Classical/P/210/211

### Saturday, January 25

9:30 am Soul Food Distribution/Lake Ella

11:00am Crafty Crops/P

5:00 pm Date Night/200 Level

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



As a Spirit-formed living expression of the kingdom of God, the vision of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church is to glorify God wholeheartedly, grow the community of the faithful, nurture the faithfulness of that community, alleviate suffering wherever it is found and advocate for social justice.

### **WELCOME, GUESTS!**

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Nurseries for ages infant to five years are located on the 200 level of the children's wing of the educational 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: \$23,541.00 Average weekly expenses (2019): \$17,477.00

Income to date: \$36,077.00

Actual | January 5 | January 12 | January 19 | November 24 | \$11,526.00 | \$24,551.00 |

January 12 attendance: 8:30: 101 11:00: 194 Sunday School: 177

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. Or use this link to access online giving. <a href="https://www.saintpaulsumc.org/give/">https://www.saintpaulsumc.org/give/</a>



## Saint Paul's Staff

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