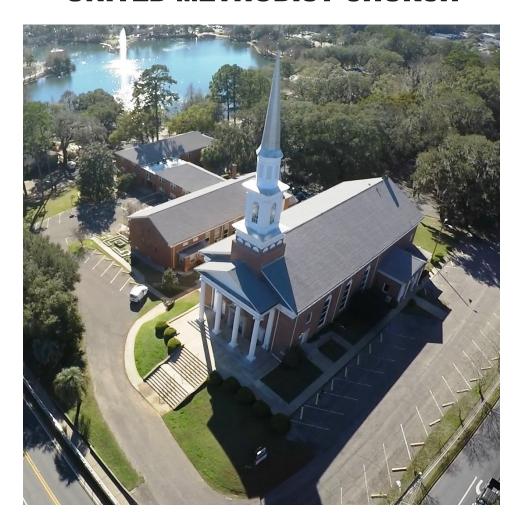


UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



August 24, 2025

Just Love

"Lessons from Sports: The Cost of Winning"

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship: Sunday, August 24, 2025 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Services of Worship 11th Sunday after Pentecost

*stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. MaryAnn Piccioni, Associate Pastor

Prelude

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain setting by W. Wold

Lighting of the Candles

Acolytes

*Opening Prayer

Dora Thomas and Congregation

Loving God, You call us to turn away from our own selfish interests, to take up our cross, and to follow after You to find our lives by giving them up to Your greater purpose.

So we come before You this morning with open hearts and open hands, eager to hear Your Word, and eager to know Your will.

Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, move within us and among us as we worship.

Open our eyes to Your presence; open our ears to Your call, open our hearts to one another.

In the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Lord, Amen.

*Opening Hymn

I Am Thine, O Lord

UMH 419

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

Response

Glorv Be to the Father

UMH 70

*Passing of the Peace

(Please join in signing the chorus of "O How I Love Jesus" No. 170, as you return to your seat)

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Piccioni

Anthem (11:00)

Shout Amen!

J. Althouse

Covenant Chancel Choir

Children's Chat

Rev. Piccioni

The Offering

Offering Prayer

Rev. Carolyn Williamson, Senior Pastor

Offertory

Be Still and Know

arr. L. Larson

Se'lah

*Doxology

UMH 95, Old 100th

Scripture Matthew 16:24-26 (NRSV) & 1 Corinthians 9:24-26a (CEB)

Dora Thomas

Sermon "Lessons from Sports: The Cost of Winning"

Rev. Carolyn Williamson

*Closing Hymn I Have Decided to Follow Jesus TFWS 2129/

on screen

*Sending Forth Rev. Williamson

Postlude Trumpeting on 'Azmon' H. Livingston

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Flowers On The Altar

The flowers on the altar today are given by The Clark and Caparello families to the glory of God.

ATTENDANCE PADS

In each pew you will find a black folder containing a sign-in. We would love for you to let us know you are here. You can also share your contact information, request info on various ministries, sign up for Wednesday night dinner or request a name tag.

Thank you for joining us in worship today! This QR code will take you to our webpage, where you may subscribe to our WEEKLY NOTES and give safely and securely online to support the ministries of Saint Paul's UMC.



THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL'S

Sunday, Aug. 24 - Worship, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

New Member Class, 9:45 a.m., Room 325

Contemporary Service, 6:00 p.m., Sanders Hall

Monday, Aug. 25 - Governing Board, 6:30 p.m., Parlor

Tuesday, Aug. 26 - Men's Reading Community, 8:00 a.m., Ology Northside

Covenant Chancel Choir, 6:15 p.m., Choir Room

Selah, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Wednesday, Aug. 27 - Prayer Meeting, 8:00 a.m., Zoom

PreSchool Music, 5:10 p.m., Room 200

Wednesday Night Dinner (Meatloaf), 5:15 p.m., Sanders Hall

Town Hall Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Sanders Hall

Wednesday Night Youth Rooted, 6:00 p.m., Parlor

Kids@Art Music, 6:00 p.m., Room 200

Youth Rooted, 6:00 p.m., Parlor

Youth Choir, 7:00 p.m., Room 200

Friday, Aug. 29 - Alzheimer's Respite, 9:00 a.m., Parlor

Crafty Crop, 4:00 p.m., Parlor

Saturday, Aug. 30 - Soul Food Distribution, 9:30 a.m., Lake Ella

Crafty Crop, 10:00 a.m., Parlor

Sunday, Aug. 31 - 5th Sunday—Noisy Offering

Worship, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Handbell Choir, 5:45 p.m., Sanctuary

Contemporary Service, 6:00 p.m., Sanders Hall

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS

Large print hymnals are available to those who would like to use them during worship. Please ask an usher.