

# SAINT PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**May 17, 2026**  
**Barriers Broken**  
**8:30 & 11:00 a.m.**

# Order of Worship: Sunday, May 17, 2026

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Services of Worship

7th Sunday of Easter / Graduate Recognition

\*stand as you are able

**Welcome & Announcements**

Rev. MaryAnn Piccioni, Associate Pastor

**Prelude**

*All Things Bright and Beautiful*

arr. R. F. Swift

**Lighting of the Candles**

Acolytes

**\*Call to Worship**

Lynn Quimby-Pennock and People

We come today from different places, different moods, different mornings.

**Some are hectic and rushed, others quiet, perhaps forlorn.**

**Regardless, we are loved equally in God's eyes.**

We pray for health or happiness; some pray for strength or support.

**We pray in joy and hope and longing, and God hears each prayer the same.**

We worship with different voices and talents, and we lift up our hearts united in praise.

**All: Each one of us is unique and beloved;**

**together we praise God who welcomes our worship as one.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

*O Church of God, United*

UMH 547

**\*Passing of the Peace**

(Please join in singing *He is Lord*, UMH 177, as you return to your seat.)

**Missions Moment**

Elder Care

Helen Ervin

**Graduate Recognition**

Casey Fernandes

**Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer**

Rev. Piccioni

**Anthem (11:00)**

*In This Very Room*  
Covenant Chancel Choir

R. and C. Harris

**Children's Chat**

Rev. Piccioni

**The Offering**

**Offering Prayer**

Rev. Carolyn Williamson, Senior Pastor

**Offertory**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
Handbell Choir

arr. C. Moglebust

**\*Doxology**

UMH 94, *LAASST UNS ERFREU*

<b>Scripture</b>	Acts 11:1-18	Lynn Quimby-Pennock
<b>Sermon</b>	Barriers Broken	Rev. Carolyn Williamson
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	<i>Spirit Song</i>	UMH 347
<b>*Sending Forth</b>		Rev. Williamson
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Postlude on 'Ellacombe'</i>	R. A. Williamson

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don, and the choir's gifts under the direction of Cynthia Prescott.

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## 2026 Graduates

Margot Almond	Caden Fischer
Zadi Almond	Alyssa Griesheimer
Katherine Cox	Shelby Watson

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## Flowers On The Altar

Sign up to put flowers on the Altar through the form on Breeze.  
<https://saintpaulsumc.breezechms.com/form/flowerarrangements>.  
Or call the church office to choose a Sunday.

## 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, or request a name tag.

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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, May 17 - Graduate Recognition Sunday**

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

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

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

### **Monday, May 18 - Chair Yoga Class, 11:00 a.m., Sanders Hall**

Daisy Scouts, 6:00 p.m., Room 301

### **Tuesday, May 19 - Alzheimer's Support Luncheon, 11:00 a.m., Parlor**

Trustees Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Room 325

Girl Scout Troop 67, 6:00 p.m., Parlor

Capital Area Justice Celebration, 6:00 p.m., Jacob Chapel Baptist Church

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

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

### **Wednesday, May 20 - Prayer Meeting, 8:00 a.m., Zoom**

Ed Wynn Luncheon, 10:30 a.m., Sanders Hall

### **Thursday, May 21 - Circle of Support, 10:00 a.m., Parlor**

Yoga Class, 11:00 a.m., Sanders Hall

MoLab Training, 2:30 p.m., Room 301

Capital Prep Graduation, 5:15 p.m., Sanders Hall

### **Friday, May 22 - Alzheimer's Respite, 9:00 a.m., Parlor**

Boy Scouts Court of Honor, 6:30 p.m., Sanders Hall

### **Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost Sunday**

Worship, 9:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.

Contemporary Worship, 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.

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