

SAINT PAUL'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



May 10, 2026
Confirmation Sunday
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship: Sunday, May 10, 2026

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

6th Sunday of Easter / Confirmation Sunday

*stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Carolyn Williamson, Senior Pastor

Processional *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* R. Lau/J. Mouret

Lighting of the Candles Acolytes

***Call to Worship** Mac Martin, Grayson Leach, Braxton Durham, & People

All: We are surrounded...

by Moses and Miriam

by David and Deborah

and by three Hebrew boys who would rather burn
than bow to other gods.

All: We are surrounded...

by prophets and priests

by prostitutes and poor folk

and by unnamed martyrs who were not ashamed
to declare the gospel of Jesus Christ.

All: We are surrounded...

by the famous and the forgotten

by the learned and the unlearned

and by millions who found meaning in following the Resurrected Jesus.

**All: "We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay
aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with
perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer
and perfecter of our faith"**

***Opening Hymn** *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters* UMH 605

***Passing of the Peace**

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

Prayers of the People/The Lord's Prayer Vivi A. Thomas

Congregational response after each petition: "Lord, hear my prayer

- written by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild (adapted)

Anthem (11:00) *For the Beauty of the Earth* J. Rutter

Covenant Chancel Choir

Children's Chat Rev. MaryAnn Piccioni, Associate Pastor

Baptism (8:30) Emilio Marvel Selva

The Offering

Offering Prayer

Abby Courtemanche

Offertory	<i>Seed to Sow</i>	arr. R. Emerson
	Youth Choir and Siblings	
*Doxology		UMH 94, <i>LAAST UNS ERFREUEN</i>
Old Testament Reading	Proverbs 3:5-6	Emma Apthorp
New Testament Reading	Ephesians 2:8-6	Amelia Fugate
Sharing our Faith	Confirmands/Casey Fernandes, Youth Director	
Affirmation of Faith of the 2026 Confirmation Class		
	Cai Hewitt, Confirmands, and People	
8:30 Scripture	Deuteronomy 30:11-20 (CEB)	Casey Fernandes
8:30 Sermon	Covenant and Grace	Rev. Carolyn Williamson
11:00 The Baptismal Covenant	Cai Hewitt and Vivi Thomas	
11:00 Confirmation		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service</i>	UMH 581
*Sending Forth		Cayle Bryant
Recessional	<i>Recessional in D</i>	R. Powell

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Flowers On The Altar

The flowers on the altar today are given by Jonathan Leach to the glory of God and in honor of all the mothers of Saint Paul's, especially his own mother, Linda Leach, and his wife, Amy Leach, who is also celebrating her birthday today.

2026 Confirmation Class

Emma Elizabeth Apthorp	Cayle H. Bryant
Abigail Faith Courtemanche	Vivi A. Thomas
Amelia M. Fugate	Cai Alexander Hewitt
McKinley Rhys Martin	Braxton Troy Durham
Grayson Leach	

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THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL'S

Sunday, May 10 - Mothers Day / Confirmation Sunday

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

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Starting Point Class, 9:45 a.m., Side Narthex

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

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

Monday, May 11 - Congregational Care, 10:00 a.m., Room 327

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

Tuesday, May 12 - Men's Reading Community, 8:30 a.m., Ology Northside

Mindful Moments, 10:00 a.m., Room 327

United Women in Faith, 11:00 a.m., Sanders Hall

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

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

Wednesday, May 13 - Prayer Meeting, 8:00 a.m., Zoom

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

Wednesday Night Dinner (Pizza & Salad), 5:15 p.m., Sanders Hall

Child Protection Training, 6:00 p.m., Sanders Hall

Thursday, May 14 - Alz. Early Stage Support Group, 10:00 a.m., Room 327

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

Capital Bells Concert, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Friday, May 15 - Alzheimer's Respite, 9:00 a.m., Parlor

Joyful Beginnings Graduation, 9:30 a.m., Sanders Hall

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

Saturday, May 16 - Manna on Meridian, 8:00 a.m., Faith Presbyterian

Mason's School of Music Recital, 8:00 a.m., Sanders Hall

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

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

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