

SAINT PAUL'S

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



August 23, 2026
"The Jonah In Us"
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship: Sunday, August 23, 2026
8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Services of Worship
13th Sunday after Pentecost
*stand as you are able

Welcome & Announcements		Rev. Carolyn Williamson, Senior Pastor
Prelude	Variations on ‘Melita’	C. Callahan
Lighting of the Candles	Acolytes	
*Call to Worship	Dora Thomas and People	
The Lord is the maker of sea and dry land, and God’s compassions never fail. Though we run from God’s presence, God’s mercy pursues us in the storm. Let us cry out to the Lord in our distress, and God will answer. With shouts of thanksgiving, we offer our lives to the One who saves! Come, let us worship the God of grace and deliverance. Amen!		
*Opening Hymn	God of Grace and God of Glory	UMH 577
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles’ Creed, trad.	UMH 881
Response	Glory Be to the Father	UMH 70
*Passing of the Peace	(Please join in singing <i>Spirit of the Living God</i> , UMH 393 as you return to your seat.)	
Saint Paul’s Foundation Grants	Mary Dekle	
Pastoral Prayer/The Lord’s Prayer	Rev. MaryAnn Piccioni, Associate Pastor	
Children’s Chat	Rev. Piccioni	
The Offering		
Offering Prayer	Rev. Williamson	
Offertory	Down to the River to Pray/Lord Listen to Your Children arr. M. McDonald Se’lah	
*Doxology	UMH 95, Old 100th	
Scripture	Jonah 1	Dora Thomas

Sermon	“The Jonah In Us”	Rev. Williamson
*Closing Hymn	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	UMH 378, vs. 1, 3 and 4
*Sending Forth		Rev. Williamson
*Postlude	<i>Postlude on ‘CWM RHONDDA’</i>	A.L. Page

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Unless otherwise noted, all music is shared with us through the talents of Gaye Herndon, and the choir’s gifts under the direction of Cynthia Prescott.

Flowers On The Altar

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God,
in memory of Steve Shackelford, by his wife Carolyn Shackelford
and daughters Lynn Peacock, and Cara Lee Starnes.

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 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, August 23 - Worship, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

Cheers Social Justice Program, 9:45 a.m., Sanders Hall

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

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

Monday, August 24 - Chair Yoga, 11:00 a.m., Sanders Hall

Governing Board, 6:30 p.m., Room 327

Tuesday, August 25 - Men's Reading Community, 12:00 p.m., Ology Brewing

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

Se'lah, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Wednesday, August 26 - Prayer Meeting, 8:00 a.m., Zoom

Youth Study Hall, 3:45 p.m., Rooms 210 & 211

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

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

Disciple Fast Track Study, 5:45 p.m., Room 327

Discipleship Learning to Lead, 6:00 p.m., Room 326

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

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

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

Thursday, August 27 - Mindful Moments, 10:00 a.m., Room 327

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

Silver Liners Lunch, 12:00 p.m., Olive Garden

Friday, August 28 - Alzheimer's Respite, 9:00 a.m., Parlor

Saturday, August 29 - Soul Food Distribution, 9:30 a.m., Lake Ella

Sunday, August 30 - 5th Sunday - Noisy Offering

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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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