

St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

September 12, 2024

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

09/15/2024

Pastor J.R. Virgin

Week 1 of 6 week series "Who We Are!"

Will present the sermon

"We Are Built on the Rock"

8:45 a.m. (Sanctuary) and 11:00 a.m. (Berly)

For information about Sunday Worship Service go to the website page

<https://spwmethodist.org/sunday-worship-services/>.

Each Service will be live streamed via the church's YouTube channel.

The link to our YouTube channel is:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2_rB7vyTH5FmKjYMKILTSg

You can only see the livestream from YouTube.

The recorded services will be available on our Sermons webpage

<http://spwmethodist.org/sermons/> following each Service as well as on

YouTube. They will be shared with the church Facebook friends later.

Sermon Text: Matthew 7:24-29 (NIV)

24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."

28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, 29 because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

Message From Your Pastor

This past Sunday, we completed the Limitless sermon series. The topic was "Limitless Use of Me". Scripture is full of accounts of God working through human beings to witness His love and grace to the world. Just because we are not adding to the canonized Bible, does not mean that God has stopped using us. God is still calling each of us to many different ministries. Some of these callings may require us to be faithful for a moment and some may require us to change major aspects of our lives. Regardless of the call, our faithfulness is required to be effectively used by God in this life. I believe that many miss their calling and purpose due to a lack of sufficient faith in God. There are many examples of this: We allow the world to convince us that we can't do the thing which God calls us toward. We don't spend the time growing near to God every day and are therefore not in tune enough with God to hear or sense the call. We allow our fears of failure to stop us from following faithfully, or maybe we simply feel that we aren't "good enough" to be used for God's purposes. Whatever the reason, excuse, or justification we have for not following God fully and faithfully, each and every one would be invalid. Our God is the God of the impossible. Our God is the One who calls the broken and unqualified. For His power is made perfect in our weakness. It is incumbent upon us to seek God daily and become faithful and courageous enough to step out, each and every time He calls. God is still in the business of using human being to witness His love and grace to the world. He is calling you! Are you listening?

The Best of All Is...God Is With Us!

Pastor J.R.

Need Help With Live Streaming

We are looking for people interested in learning to operate our livestreaming and presentation software for the worship services at St. Paul's Waccamaw. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

Weekly Bible Reading:

September 15-Psalm 107:10-22; Isaiah 33-35; Hebrews 10:19-39

September 16-Psalm 107:23-32; Isaiah 36-37; Hebrews 11:1-16

September 17-Psalm 107:33-43; Isaiah 38-39; Hebrews 11:17-40

September 18-Psalm 108; Isaiah 40-41; Hebrews 12:1-13

September 19-Psalm 109:1-20; Isaiah 42-43; Hebrews 12:14-29

September 20-Psalm 109:21-31; Isaiah 44-45; Hebrews 13

September 21—Psalm 110; Isaiah 46-47; James 1:1-18

Our Faithfulness Sunday, September 8, 2024

8:45 Service 159; on line viewers 123 (as of 9/11/24); 11:00 Service 104; on line viewers 115 (as of 09/11/24); Sunday School 66

The Sunday School Classes will meet September 15, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

NOTE: The Friendship Class, Youth Building, New Sunday School class called the Truth Seekers, Discovery Classroom.

Need Communion Servers for 8:45 a.m.

Communion Servers are needed at the 8:45 a.m. service. If you are able to serve, please contact Jan Finnical at 843-315-4063 or email: janfinnical@gmail.com. Thank you!

Name Tags

If you ordered a new name tag, please pick up yours this coming Sunday at the 8:45 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service. If you did not order a name tag, and would like one, please fill out the little sign up sheet that will be provided on the table near the name tags and place it in the offering plate. **A Big Thank You to Juanita Matos for printing the Name Tags!!**

Our Little Garden Child Care

Our Little Garden Child Care at the early service will be open upon request. Please notify one of the ushers.

We are excited to nurture your little one's faith with God's love. If you would like to volunteer helping in the Nursery, please let Pam Carson know.

Calling all Nursery Volunteers!

Join us in this important ministry of nurturing our beautiful infants and toddlers! Volunteers are needed to assist Pam Carson each week during the 10am Sunday School hour or the 11 am worship service. With a commitment of only 1-2 hours per quarter, you will help to provide a special worship experience for our young families.

Contact Valerie Alexander 803-448-7462 or petvet2428@gmail.com

Transitioned to our new church

The Webpage and church emails were updated. To access the website use www.spwmethodist.org
For the church emails you need to replace saintpaulsumc.com with spwmethodist.org.

Example - Alice is now reachable at Office@spwmethodist.org.

LIVE STREAMING AVAILABLE

Reminder that live streaming of our services are available on YouTube especially during inclement weather.

Missions Fundraiser Drive

We will continue to sell the Car Window Decals. If you want to pick up your Decal for \$5.00 Please stop by the Church Office and see Alice. "Your support can help us provide comfort and hope to those in need".

Counseling: on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10am-1pm, there will be a counselor available by appointment. If you are in need of someone to talk with, this is a great opportunity to speak with an accredited professional, free of charge. Please contact Fran Keller at 843-833-3980 with any questions or to schedule an appointment.

Church Flower Calendar for 2024

You can email the office or call the office to start signing up for the Church Flower Calendar for 2024. This is a good way to honor someone, celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc. on Sunday mornings.

Need Help With Pressure Washing

In support of our Fall Festival on September 28, 2024, let's get together and pressure wash all the sidewalks at 9AM on Saturday, September 21, 2024.

It's a great time for fellowship with others. We can show our visitors the friendliness and beauty of our church. Please contact Gene Posey; atlast1@sc.rr.com or 803-315-0191. Thank you!

Fall Planning

Planning for the Fall Festival has begun. The Silent Auction is an exciting part of the Fall Festival. Auction hours are from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on September 28th. We hope to have many wonderful items on which to bid such as fishing trips, golf packages, resort stays, entertainment venues, art, services and so much more! If you have services or homes you wish to offer – we need you!

All items donated should be new or in like-new condition. You may drop off your items on September 26, 2024, and September 27, 2024, in the Youth Building from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Tax donation forms are available. All funds raised go towards the purchase of our Church property. Please join us in praying for the success of this ministry.

If you have any questions, contact Ann Mickle at 843-222-5706.

Calling All Bakers!

We need you! Please bring many delicious baked goods to Berly Hall on Friday, September 27, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Small items such as cookies, brownies, etc. are needed as well as your famous peach cobblers, cakes, and pies. The Bake Sale Team will be ready to receive all of your delicious goodies! Thank you in advance for your participation.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS !!! We need your help with the Fall Festival! If you are a baker please sign up to bake your specialtyWe need cakes, breads, cookies, brownies etc....please contact Barbara McCracken @ bmcbeach@gmail.com. If you have an item or skill you would donate to the auction, please email Ann Mickle @ acmickle@icloud.com. Or call 843-222-5706. If you are able to help with Parking during the Festival please email Mike Collins @ mcollins5@sc.rr.com We also need cases of bottled water. If you are able to donate please contact Nancy Wetsel @nanwetsel@aol.com or the methodist women. PLEASE mark your calendar for September 28th from 9:00-3:00 and plan to attend along with family and friends. Thank you for all your support!!!!

Sign Up Sheet! Don't forget to sign up for your baked item(s), also, on the **Baked Item Sheet.**
Please label your baked item(s) if it contains Nuts!! Call Barbara McCracken @ 843-237-9841.

Volunteers Needed for Fall Festival Set-Up

Looking for volunteers to assist with the Fall Festival Set-Up in the Youth Building and Berly Hall. Starting at 10 am, Tuesday, September 24, 2024. Please Sign-up in the office or with any of the Trustees.

Thanks in advance for your support with this great Festival.

Bible Studies:

Monday Bible Study on Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans starting October 7, 2024, Discovery Classroom, 6:00 p.m. Led by Thomas Gullede. Please email the church office at office@spwmethodist.org if you would like to sign up or email Thomas Gullede at Thomas.gullede@spectralSC.com.

Wednesday Bible Study on James, Youth Building, 10:00 a.m. Led by Rev. John & Nancy Hall. (class limit 6-sign up in the office)

The Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Youth Building. Led by Bruce Stelow.

Thursday Bible Study on Philippians , Youth Building at 10:00 a.m. Led by Gay Kelly.

Thursday Bible Study on The Daniel Plan-40 Days to a Healthier Life, Youth

Building, 6:00 p.m., Led by Dr. Victoria Smith.

Tuesday Bible Study on Created to Dream begins October 1st at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Building. (class limit 12-sign up in the office) Led by John Finnical.

Monday Bible Study on Romans Roundtable: A Journey Through Romans, October 7, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., Discovery Classroom.

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Committee Fair, Sunday, September 15, 2024, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Berly Hall.

Silent Auction Meeting – Gift Card Drop Off, Tuesday, September 17, 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Library.

Church Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 24, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 29 will be Consecration Sunday. This is the day that we gather the pledge cards for the coming year. Following the 11:00 Modern Worship Service, light refreshments will be provided in the Youth Building for those who would like to gather for fellowship as we await the tabulation of the pledges for 2025.

Sunday, September 29 during the Sunday School hour, Pastor J.R. Will be holding a Town Hall meeting in the sanctuary. This will be an opportunity for him to share some of the things happening at the church as well as an opportunity for you to ask questions.

On October 6, St. Paul's Waccamaw will be adding a 3rd service. The service will take place weekly at 11:15 in the Sanctuary and will be a traditional worship service. This service will also offer Holy Communion on a weekly basis.

Home Communion Outreach Ministry

Every Communion Sunday, usually the first Sunday of every month, you may have noticed little red boxes on the altar table. These boxes are faithfully prepared by Shirley Hutcheson to be used by the volunteers who take communion to our shut-ins. Pastor JR blesses them when he blesses all the communion elements. Please let Alice or Bleeker Cannon know if you know of anyone who would like to be a part of the Home Communion Ministry. This has been a welcomed outreach ministry of St. Paul's Waccamaw for many through the years.

Chancel Choir Practice

Chancel Choir meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Handbells meet Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.

Students in the Word

Students in the Word meet 7:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m., Mon. – Thursday (old Friendship & wings classrooms) and Friday in the Youth Building.

AA

AA meets Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.
District 82 AA, every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. in the Joy Classroom.

*Please let me know if I need to remove, change, or add to the following Prayer, Birthday or Anniversary list. Also, if you have a meeting coming up or an event or event article that needs to go in the newsletter, please email me at the
Church Office: office@spwmethodist.org*

Thank you, Alice

Prayer Concerns/Church Family & Friends

Susan Walters
Josie Shehane
Marion Parsons
Eva Baxter
Chris Hogan
Mark Lange
Linda Chevine
Yvonne Moran
Dan Wetsel
Bob Maffa
Jann Bullock
Herb Hermann

Corky & Mary Raab (friends of Betty Jobe)
George Schmidt (Colleen Welch's dad)
Sandy Lowder (a friend of Alice Cochran)
Anne Miller (a friend of Phillip and Peggy Cusick)
Linda Boswell (Sandy Thompson's sister)
Billy McGill (son of Carolyn McGill)
Michael Williams (Nancy Hall's son)
Corby & Brian Kennison (friends of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Rick Bruce (a friend of Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
A friend of – did not want to name (Peggy & Phillip Cusick)
Jerry Payne (Susan) Marie Beaver (Carl) Jim Richardson (Betsy) (friends of Jon Stuckey)
Denise (a friend of Harriet and David Moore)
Tina Licari (a friend of James & Leslie Hare)
Andy Gunn (a friend of Delisa & Steve Staton)
Allie Johnson (Age 7, 2 types of leukemia, severe reactions to treatment)
Vicki Medlin (a cousin of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Diane Casto (a friend of James & Leslie Hare)
Stephen Johnston (son of Ron & Ruth Johnston)
Sue Hawkins (a friend of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
Roxanna Earp (daughter of Nancy Wetsel)
Tracy (a friend of Leslie Hare)

Marnie Heck (a friend of Henry & Betty Jobe)
 Robert "Bobby" Nave (James & Leslie Hare's cousin)
 Garvin Gilley
 Sammie Scarpelli (delivers our flowers on Sunday)
 Johanna Morrison
 David Cormier (a close friend of James & Leslie Hare)
 Tina Kolb (a close friend of James & Leslie Hare)
 Diana (a friend of John & Nancy Hall)
 Eva (a friend of Janis & Mark Lange; missing)
 Dan Litton (a friend of JD Whitmire)
 Pat Gadek (friend of Frank Slater)
 Carolee Bryant
 George Leyendecker's sister
 Sarah Wilson (Jan Estabrook's friend)
 Sue Panos
 Ofelia and Jorge Beltran (friends with JD and Sandi Whitmire)
 Kerry Lennard (friend of Keith Black)
 Milia Black (Keith Black's mother)
 Judy Ellis

September Birthdays

Marc Davison	9/12
Evelyn Virgin	9/12
Mary Ethel Bowers	9/13
Sandi Whitmire	9/14
Sarah Elizabeth Cundiff	9/15
Peggy Cusick	9/17
John Finnical	9/17
Leah Gutekunst	9/18
Jan Estabrook	9/18
Laurie Ward	9/18
Pastor J.R. Virgin	9/20
Carl Beaver, II	9/21
Carol Clary	9/21
Jerry Knorr	9/21
Mark Lange	9/22
David Matos	9/23
Doris Overby	9/23
Jann Bullock	9/26
Teresa Welsh	9/26
Susan Walters	9/28

September Anniversaries

Terry & Barbara Stephens	09/14
Fred & Shirley Hutcheson	09/16
Tom & Wan Gullede	09/20
Ronald & Ruth Johnston	09/20
Dave & Alice Gustafson	09/25
Samuel & Mary Jane Miller	09/28

