

St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

September 19, 2024

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

09/22/2024

Pastor J.R. Virgin

Week 2 of 6 week series "Who We Are!"

Will present the sermon

"We Are Prayerful"

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: Joshua 6:1-20 (NIV)

Now the gates of Jericho were securely barred because of the Israelites. No one went out and no one came in. Then the Lord said to Joshua, "See, I have delivered Jericho into your hands, along with its king and its fighting men. March around the city once with all the armed men. Do this for six days. Have seven priests carry trumpets of rams' horns in front of the ark. On the seventh day, march around the city seven times, with the priests blowing the trumpets. When you hear them sound a long blast on the trumpets, have the whole army give a loud shout; then the wall of the city will collapse and the army will go up, everyone straight in." So Joshua son of Nun called the priests and said to them, "Take up the ark of the covenant of the Lord and have seven priests carry trumpets in front of it." And he ordered the army, "Advance! March around the city, with an armed guard going ahead of the ark of the Lord." When Joshua had spoken to the people, the seven priests carrying the seven trumpets before the Lord went forward, blowing their trumpets, and the ark of the Lord's covenant followed them. The armed guard marched ahead of the priests who blew the trumpets, and the rear guard followed the ark. All this time the trumpets were sounding. But Joshua had commanded the army, "Do not give a war cry, do not raise your voices, do not say a word until the day I tell you to shout. Then shout!" So he had the ark of the Lord carried around the city, circling it once. Then the army returned to camp and spent the night there. Joshua got up early the next morning and the priests took up the ark of the Lord. The seven priests carrying the seven trumpets went forward, marching before the ark of the Lord and blowing the trumpets. The armed men went ahead of them and the rear guard followed the ark of the Lord, while the trumpets kept sounding. So on the second day they marched around the city once and returned to the camp. They did this for six days. On the seventh day, they got up at daybreak and marched around the city seven times in the same manner, except that on that day they circled the city seven times. The seventh time around, when the priests sounded the trumpet blast, Joshua commanded the army, "Shout! For the Lord has given you the city! The city and all that is in it are to be devoted to the Lord. Only Rahab the prostitute and all who are with her in her house shall be spared, because she hid the spies we sent. But keep away from the devoted things, so that you will not bring about your own destruction by taking any of them. Otherwise you will make the camp of Israel liable to destruction and bring trouble on it. All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the Lord and must go into his treasury." When the trumpets sounded, the army shouted, and at the sound of the trumpet, when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city.

Message From Your Pastor

This Sunday we set off on a new sermon series, "Who We Are!" This series is a deep dive into what God has placed upon my heart, as your pastor, to be our 6 core values as we move into the new expression of Methodism at St. Paul's Waccamaw. The first of those core values and the most important is that we will be scriptural. John Wesley said, "Scripture is the full and final authority on all matters of faith and practice." As Wesleyans and more importantly Christians, it is imperative that we begin and end every decision-making process with scripture. God has given us direction, instruction, and hope through the Bible. We must develop a hunger for the Word of God. We must chase after it each and every day desiring to grow nearer to God through a deeper understanding of His Word. By doing this, God will draw near to us. We will grow nearer to God in spirit and gain discernment and wisdom which could only come from Him. If we would like to see God's plan unfold at St. Paul's Waccamaw we must individually and collectively develop a hunger

for God's Word that cannot be satisfied. We must chase after God daily and be willing to follow God faithfully in response to His Holy Word.

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 22-Psalm 111; Isaiah 48-49; James 1:19-27

September 23-Psalm 112; Isaiah 50-51; James 2:1-13

September 24-Psalm 113; Isaiah 52-53; James 2:14-26

September 25-Psalm 114; Isaiah 54-55; James 3:1-12

September 26-Psalm 115:1-8; Isaiah 56-57; James 3:13-18

September 27-Psalm 115:9-18; Isaiah 58-59; James 4:1-10

September 28—Psalm 116:1-11; Isaiah 60-62; James 4:11-17

Our Faithfulness Sunday, September 15, 2024

8:45 Service 139; on line viewers 135 (as of 9/18/24); 11:00 Service 100; on line viewers 125 (as of 09/18/24); Sunday School 66

The Sunday School Classes will meet September 22, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

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

See the New Signs in Parking Lot

Cars started parking in our new parking lot. 19 new spaces were added and an additional 24-28 spaces will be added once trees are removed from the area.

Cars will enter at the far end. Cars exit at the upper end of the lot near the dumpster. It is one way in and one way out.

As our church continues to grow, we need to be prepared to accommodate everyone that wants to worship with us.

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.

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 cobbles, 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), in Berly Hall, 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.

VOTING INFORMATION

Deadline to register to vote

October 4 5:00 pm In-person at Voter Registration Office

October 6 11:59 pm online www.scvotes.gov

There are 3 ways to cast your Vote:

- 1) Absentee Ballot
- 2) Early Voting
- 3) Vote on Election Day Nov. 5 at your Precinct

ABSENTEE BALLOT

There are 2 ways to request an Absentee Ballot Application:

- 1) Call the Voter Registration and Elections Office or
- 2) In-person

Voter Registration and Elections Office
303 N. Hazard Street
Georgetown, SC 29440
(843) 545-3339

EARLY VOTING

Early Voting is October 21 through November 2 (excluding Sundays)

8:30 am – 6:00 pm

Locations:

Andrews Recreational Center
220 S. Cedar Ave., Andrews, SC
Choppee Recreational Center
8259 Choppee Rd., Georgetown, SC
Waccamaw Regional Recreational Center
83 Duncan Ave., Pawleys Island, SC
Voter Registration and Election Office
303 N. Hazard St., Georgetown, SC

NOVEMBER 5 – ELECTION DAY

General Election Day November 5

7:00 am – 7:00pm

At your regular voting precinct
To verify you voter information,

visit SCVOTES.gov/voters/

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:

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

Blankets for Babies, Wednesday, October 2, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Administrative Building.

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.

Methodist Women General Meeting, Tuesday, October 8, 2024, 12:00 noon. Please bring a bagged lunch.

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

Mark Lange

Linda Chevine

Yvonne Moran

Dan Wetsel

Bob Maffa

Jann Bullock

Herb Herrman

Ashley Calhoun (Karen Calhoun's nephew's wife)

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)
 Allie Johnson (Age 7, 2 types of leukemia, severe reactions to treatment)
 Vicki Medlin (a cousin of JD & Sandi Whitmire)
 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
 Johanna Morrison
 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)
 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

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

Tom & Wan Gullledge

09/20

Ronald & Ruth Johnston	09/20
Dave & Alice Gustafson	09/25
Samuel & Mary Jane Miller	09/28

October Birthdays

Fred Bischoff	10/1
Jarrold Homan	10/1
Frank Hawkins	10/4
Sandra Ridenour	10/6
Steve Staton	10/6
Lisa Collins	10/7
Robert Duchene	10/7
Patricia A. Jones	10/7
Olivia Huggins	10/9
Carol Stevens	10/10
Forrest Meiere	10/12
Selma Piver	10/13
James Bodemann	10/16
Jewell Clark	10/16
Ramah Carle	10/17
Elijah Virgin	10/17
Nancy Truluck	10/18
Ashlyn Cooper	10/20
Mary Wynne Kellett	10/20
Herbert Herrman	10/21
JR Roscher	10/21
Nancy Hall	10/22
Yvonne Moran	10/22
Tom Gullede	10/24
Jim Kemp	10/24
Nancy Wetsel	10/26
Joshua Carlyle	10/27
Delores Cox	10/27
Peggy Muravnick	10/28
Delisa Staton	10/29
Fred Harris	10/30
Carolyn McGill	10/31
Marion Parsons	10/31

October Anniversaries

Travis & Angela Bass	10/5
Charles & Doris Overby	10/8
Phillip & Peggy Cusick	10/9
Robert & Teresa Welsh	10/10
Luke & Lee Bryant	10/17
Rev. J. R. & Allison Virgin	10/20
Jackson & Wanda Freeland	10/23

