

St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

January 23, 2025

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday morning

01/26/2025

Week 4 of 6 week series "All In"

Lead Pastor J.R. Virgin

Will present the sermon

All In: Faithfulness

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

Preaching Pastor Len Kircher

All In: Faithfulness

11:15 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

For information about Sunday Worship Service go to the website page

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

The 8:45 am and 11:00 am services 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 for 8:45 am and 11:00 am 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 17:14-21 (NIV)

14 When they came to the crowd, a man approached Jesus and knelt before him. 15 "Lord, have mercy on my son," he said. "He has seizures and is suffering greatly. He often falls into the fire or into the water. 16 I brought him to your disciples, but they could not heal him."

17 "You unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy here to me." 18 Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of the boy, and he was healed at that moment.

19 Then the disciples came to Jesus in private and asked, "Why couldn't we drive it out?"

20 He replied, "Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

Message From Pastor JR

"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27) As we continue to talk about being "All In", we discussed this Sunday the idea of being all in through our prayers. Prayer is a vital component to a healthy and meaningful relationship with God. Unfortunately, many of us have been trained over the years to utilize prayer simply as a means of communicating our needs and wants to God. While bringing our petitions to God in prayer is important, it is not the only function of prayer. Through our prayers we can also lift up our praises and thanksgivings thanking God for every good thing in our lives. But prayer is not intended to be a one way conversation. If we really desire to be "All In" in our prayer lives we must train ourselves to listen for what God is saying to us. Jesus is the Shepherd and we are the sheep. The scripture referenced in John tells us that the sheep know the Shepherd's voice and they follow Him. To truly be "All In" in our prayer lives we must listen for the Shepherd's voice and follow the instructions. God is working a plan in our lives that we cannot completely understand. If we desire to be "All In" for what God is doing we must listen and obey.

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

Pastor J.R.

Message from Anne Lawrence, Missions

Huge Thank You and Update on the Baskervill Food Pantry

St. Paul's is one of several churches contributing food to the Pantry here in Pawleys Island. Need for food has more than doubled in the past 5 years. In 2024, the Pantry provided a total of 6,480 bags of groceries to 15,837 people, plus 400 turkeys and hams. This is the Pantry where your gifts at Thanksgiving time and 24-Days of Food in December went. Year round, on a monthly, we provide canned chicken, most of which we purchase from donations collected on the last Sunday of the month. Less than 10% is physically donated.

For the past 3 years, donations have covered chicken purchases so none has been needed from the mission budget. We are exceptionally grateful for your monetary gifts over the past few months. We have enough funds at this point that we will not need to

collect for about 8 months!! Thanks to all of you for your fantastic generosity.

Message from Lynnwood H. Young

We are looking for 2 ushers for the 11:15 services – March, June, September & December. Please email me at Lynnwood.young@gmail.com if you are interested or have any questions.

NEW CHILDRENS ROOMS NEEDS

Needed to open room 1&2

1. Adjustable table with adjustable chairs that will support adults
2. Plastic rugs with towns and roads
3. Melissa & Doug sound puzzles with handles on puzzles pieces.
4. Water table
5. Large Lego table or wall Lego panel
6. Soft baby doll
7. Baby bed
8. Baby doll
9. Plastic kitchen
10. Plastic toy food and pots
11. Duplo train and track (small)
12. Plastic storage cabinet

Please see Pam Carson or email her at pamc30215@yahoo.com for more information.

Weekly Bible Reading:

Jan 26: Gen 41-42

Jan 27: Gen 43-45

Jan 28: Gen 46-47

Jan 29: Gen 48-50

Jan 30: Ex 1-3

Jan 31: Ex 4-6

Feb 1: Ex 7-9

Our Faithfulness Sunday, January 19, 2025

8:45 Service 167; on line viewers 118 (as of 1/21/2025); 11:00 Service 143; on line viewers 143 (as of 1/21/2025); 11:15 Service 32; Sunday School 85

The Sunday School Classes will meet January 26, 2025, at 10:00 TE: The Friendship Class, Youth Building, New Sunday School class called the Truth Seekers, Room 305 in the CLC Building.

Note: 2024 Contribution Statements will be available for pickup on January 26. The statements will be in the Narthex and Berly Hall. They will be in alphabetical order.”

Sunday, January 26th: There will be a new Sunday School class for youth and young adults which will meet in the Discovery Room in the CLC during the 10am Sunday School hour. Pastor Len Kircher and Pastor J. R. Virgin will be leading.

ALL IN

Men “N” Ministry - To help men grow in Christ, so others may know Christ. When A man lives daily in surrendered Faith, GOD is honored and many lives are blessed.

If you are looking to grow in your Faith and serve St Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church, join us for the first meeting at 6:30pm, Feb 11, 2025, Discovery Classroom.

ALL IN
Ken Sizemore
843-446-5057

e-Giving – How to Start e-Giving and How to Update Transactions

Thank you for using e-Giving to electronically deliver your donations to the church.

If you are new to the church, or want to start using e-Giving, you can sign up today for e-giving. Start by going to <http://www.spwmethodist.org/> web page and clicking “Online Giving” at the top right of the home page. On the next page you will see a link that provides recently updated instructions on how to sign up and make your donations ([e_Giving Donation Information an Instructions](#)). You can print these instructions or review them online to setup your e-Giving donation and account.

For those who already use e-Giving, a **reminder** that you may need to update your e-Giving account if you changed your pledge amount for 2025. If this applies to you, the short guidance is to login to your e-Giving account and edit your profile information. You can update your donation amount, payment method and next transaction date. Be sure to save your changes.

Please feel free to call or email me with questions or to get assistance. You can reach me at 703-786-0670 (cell). Church email address: treasurer@spwmethodist.org

With love and blessings,

Dave Streeter
St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Treasurer

Chili—Super Bowl Sunday

Please see the insert in the bulletin this coming Sunday to sign up for the Chili—Super Bowl Sunday. **Orders can be placed January 5—February 2** and will be available for pick up on **Saturday, February 8 from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.** in Berly Hall. Proceeds will be used toward the principal of the disaffiliation loan.

Pint of Chili \$5

2pcs. Cornbread \$1

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The St. Paul's Methodist Women's Group would like to increase the boxes we are donating to this mission, in addition to the boxes packed on an individual basis. To do that we are asking you, the congregation, to participate in the year-round giving program we are launching in February. We will have containers in the Narthax and in Berly Hall on **the first Sunday** of each month. **The first collection date will be Sunday, February 2.** Listed below are the **suggested items** for February. We will post in the newsletter and bulletin the month before what we will be collecting for the following month. Please remember items need to be the size to fit in a shoebox. Please join us with your donations so St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church can reach our goal of 400 boxes in November!!

FEBRUARY – Small hand tools & work gloves for older boys; sewing kits and accessories (buttons, safety pins, Velcro, fabric, scissors) for older girls; wooden cooking spoons, flashlights (windup or extra batteries), fishing kits (Ages 10-14)

NO CAMO OR ANYTHING THAT LOOKS LIKE WAR. NO SOAP, TOOTHPASTE, LIQUIDS, LOTIONS, AEROSOL CANS, CANDY OR GUM.

If you have questions, contact Patty Younts at 843-902-9304 or Donna Schmidt 843-222-6827

NOTE: Please turn off coffee pots, lights and make sure doors are locked when you leave the building.

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 or your child can sit with you in the service. 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.

Church Website Update

We are in the process of updating our church website and repairing links which are not working. Also, if you have any suggestions for our web site or you notice pages which need to be updated, please contact Fred Harris at 856-381-5951 or fharris39@gmail.com

Thank you so much,
Fred Harris

LIVE STREAMING AVAILABLE

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

Decals

If you need to replace your decal because it is fading, please stop by the Church Office and we will give you a replacement.

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 2025

You can email the office or call the office to start signing up for the Church Flower Calendar for 2025. This is a good way to honor someone, celebrate an anniversary, birthday, etc. on Sunday mornings.

Building a Walkway Brick by Brick Project

The walkway will be called **“We Walk by Faith”**

The Church is now undertaking the building of a memorial brick walkway to the site of the Jesus, The Teacher Statue and Flower Garden.

We need your help!

We are asking you to support us and purchase a beautifully engraved grey brick to pave the way to the statue and garden.

Dedicate your personalized brick to honor or memorialize loved ones. The bricks will be placed in the walkway as a lifetime reminder that will be seen by current and future members of the Church.

Please make sure your email address is on the order form so that you can receive the virtual brick illustration.

Bible Studies:

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

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

New class, Wesleyan Way towards Wholeness, Tuesdays at 6 pm, Discovery classroom.

THE REAL HEAVEN! Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. Youth Building

Heaven is a hot topic on today's bestseller lists. But what does the Bible tell us about the afterlife? What happens the moment after we die? And what will our redeemed relationships be like? Ingram digs into Scripture to reveal what God wants us to know about the hereafter—and how it affects our decisions today. **If you would like to sign up** or for more information **contact John Finnical – jrfinnical@gmail.com**

New Bible Study:

The unique Bible study Experiencing the Heart of Jesus by Max Lucado will help build a deep relationship with our Savior. For 52-weeks, we will step into Christ's presence and experience grace, forgiveness, love and prayer. Thursdays at 10:00 in the Youth Building. For more information contact Gay Kelly.

Brief Charge Conference immediately following the 8:45 a.m. worship service, Sunday, January 26, 2025. All are welcome to attend but only members of St. Paul's Waccamaw Church have a vote.

Church Council, Monday, January 27, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Youth Building.

Mary & Martha Fellowship, Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Youth Building.

Blankets for Babies, Wednesday, February 5, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Administrative Building.

Missions meeting, Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Joy Classroom.

ALL IN, meeting, Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 6:30 p.m., Discovery Classroom.

Annual Endowment Dinner, Sunday, February 23, 2025, 5:00 p.m., Berly Hall.

Myrtle Beach Pelican game, Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 6:35 p.m. For details see Bob Maffa or Gene Posey.

The Golf Committee has announced a tentative date for the Church Golf tournament Wednesday June 11, at Wachesaw East Golf Course, with a rain date of Wednesday June 18.....We are also looking for volunteers for all committees....Contact Bill Alexander 803-448-7461 or Gene Posey 803-315-0191 for more information. Information on the first St. Paul's Waccamaw Golf Tournament is now on the church website. Included are entry fees as well as how to sign up for this mission fundraiser. You may access this page by going to the church home page and selecting the pull down menu; "Ministries & Activities". Then choose

"Fundraisers" and here you will see a button for St. Paul's Waccamaw Golf Tournament. Any questions, please ask Bill Alexander or Gene Posey.

Chancel Choir Practice

Handbells meet Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir meet Wednesdays at 6:30 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
Eva Baxter
Linda Chevine
Yvonne Moran
Dan Wetsel
Bob Maffa
Jann Bullock
Jan Estabrook
Amylou Antes
Nancy Hall
Fred Hutcherson

Richie Ballengee (cancer -friend of Patty Younts)
Sam Stump (Patty Younts brother-in-law)
Alexandra Pappas (Angela and Travis Bass daughter)
Connie Corriher (Jan Estabrook's sister-cancer returned)
Somchai (Nan Black's father)
Sheila Gryder (Jan Estabrook's cousin)
Carmen Barnard (a friend of Steve Staton)
Liz Dallago (Bob Lawrence's daughter)
Mark Merolla (Leslie Hare's friend)
April (Rachel Shumaker's great great niece)

Allie Johnson (Age 7, 2 types of leukemia)
 Sheila Baxter (daughter in law of Eva Baxter)
 Ryan Heck (a friend of Betty & Henry Jobe)
 Rosemary Beaver (a friend of Keri Geddings)
 Ashley Calhoun (Karen Calhoun's nephew's wife)
 George Schmidt (Colleen Welch's dad)
 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)
 (Susan) Marie Beaver (Carl) Jim Richardson (Betsy) (friends of Jon Stuckey)
 Denise (a friend of Harriet and David Moore)
 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

January Birthdays

Helen Black	01/26
Ro Johnson	01/27
Liz Knorr	01/27
Jeff Rowell	01/27
Jason Walters	01/27
Heather Jordan	01/28
Mareo Lardi	01/30
Linda Chevine	01/31
Pink Kellett	01/31

Al Sirmon 01/31

January Anniversaries

Robert & Darlene Duchene 01/28

February Birthdays

Shirley Hutcheson 02/03

Betty Jobe 02/04

Mary Seipel 02/04

Alisa L. Chapella 02/05

Ed Clark 02/06

Cynthia Phillips 02/06

Sharon Bray 02/07

Travis Bass, Sr. 02/08

Bob Carson 02/08

Catherine Dorosh 02/08

Alan Walters 02/08

John Shumaker, Jr. 02/08

Robert Davis, Jr. 02/11

Mark Neill 02/15

Clem Leyendecker 02/16

Edward Bowers 02/19

Peggy Homan 02/20

Kim Leatherwood 02/21

Mary Jane Miller 02/25

Samuel Miller 02/26

Debbie Ann Wright 02/26

Patty Younts 02/26

Linda Annette 02/28

Jane Sipe 02/28

February Anniversaries

Tom & Susie Swatzel 02/10

Carl & Helen Marie Beaver 02/12

Jim Kay & Elizabeth Satterfield 02/12

Daryl & Titi Greene 02/21

Ray & KayKay Wells 02/27

JR & Carol Roscher 02/29

