



St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

May 8, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday morning

05/11/2025

Week 3 of 5 week series "The Main Thing"

Pastor JR

Will present the sermon

"With All Your Mind"

8:45 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary) and 11:15 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary)

Associate Pastor Shawn Lehman

"With All Your Mind"

11:00 a.m. Modern (Berly Hall)

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: Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

A Message From Pastor JR

What does it mean to love the Lord, your God with all your soul? You may be surprised to know that this is not something which we can accomplish on our own. Scripture reminds us that we can do nothing apart from Christ, but that we can do all things through Him. Loving God with all our soul is a great example of this. To love God with our soul requires us to connect deeply with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit of God is what brings our faithfulness to life. The Spirit living in us is what causes us to move and animates our Christianity. Many Christians in our world are able to clearly articulate their faith with words, but struggle when it comes to living out their faith in a practical way. To love the Lord, our God with all our soul requires breathing in and breathing out the Holy Spirit in our daily lives. It requires us not only to constantly seek God but constantly respond in faithfulness to God's callings in our lives. When we as Christians train ourselves to live in this rhythm, we will increasingly notice God working in, through, and around us. This connection to the Holy Spirit will bring us alive spiritually and will have an impact on those around us, as they experience the Spirit in us. If you want to truly be used by God, openness to the Holy Spirit is the key. God desires to use you! The question is are you available to be used?

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

Pastor J.R.

Weekly Bible Reading

May 11: 2Sam10; 1Chron 19; Ps 20

May 12: Ps 65-67/69-70

May 13: 2Sam 11-12; 1Chron 20

May 14: Ps 32/51/86/122

May 15: 2Sam 13-15

May 16: Ps 3-4/12-13/28/55

May 17: 2Sam 16-18

Our Faithfulness Sunday, May 4, 2025

8:45 Service 154; on line viewers 132; 11:00 Service 155; on line viewers 169; 11:15 Service 34; Sunday School Children and teachers 120

The Joy (Joy Classroom) and Friendship Sunday School (Sanctuary) Classes will meet May 11, 2025, at 10:00 TE: The Truth Seekers will meet, Room 305 in the CLC Building.

Message from the Trustee Chairperson

Parking Protocol

Those that have been on the property the last couple of weeks during the day will have noticed a great deal of activity with our Sprinkler System. It has been totally repaired.

1. In order to again not experience broken sprinkler heads, we are asking that you reframe from parking in non- marked parking spaces. Please avoid parking in Pinestraw and grass island areas.
2. Additional parking spaces have been created and signs pointing you to the gravel and grass area next to the paved parking spaces beside the admin building and youth building. If you have any confusion, please ask any of the trustees or church staff to assist with pointing to the extended parking as needed.
3. We are also asking that people notice the direction arrows on the pavement throughout the parking lot. The arrows point to the best way to maneuver through the increasing congestion especially during services, events and meetings.

Thanks,

Charles Estabrook
Trustees Chairman

A Message From Dee Horton

With the deepest gratitude, I would like to extend my thanks to everyone who played a part in the Celebration of Life service for my husband, Lee, on Saturday. Dee Horton.

Our Little Garden Child Care is now open for all 3 worship services and the Sunday School hour! Children of every age are also welcomed to sit with you during the service-we love the

beautiful sound of children in church! **Adult volunteers are needed to assist with the birth-3 yr. nursery as well as the 4/5 yr. class. Only 2-3 hours per quarter can make such a difference in these little one's lives! Call or text:Valerie Alexander 803-448-7462**

Opportunity to Serve!!! Greeters needed for all services! Please contact Alisa Chapella 803-960-2791 or jamchapella@aol.com.

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. Please ensure you note your User Id (email address) and password for your account. You will use this information to login to your account to make any changes or review your electronic giving. Please do not create another e-Giving account if you have already signed up in the past. Call me or email if you need help.

For those who already use e-Giving, a **reminder** that you can update your e-Giving account if you need to update your giving amount or add new donations. The brief instructions are to login to your e-Giving account and edit your profile information. You can update your donation amount, payment method and next transaction date. You can also see your history of giving. 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

Discernment Fund

There are different ways you can give toward the Discernment Fund. You can write a check out to St. Paul's Waccamaw Church and on the memo of the check, put Discernment Fund and drop in the offering plate. **(You do not have to have an envelope)**. There are some envelopes in the Narthex and Berly if you want an envelope. You can also give with e-giving on our website and **designate Discernment**. Follow the instructions above on e-giving.

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.

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

LIVE STREAMING AVAILABLE

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

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.

Brick Walkway Update

As of May 6, 2025, the last orders of bricks (68 bricks) should be delivered later this week.

JM Allen Construction will begin construction of the walkway next week.

Baby Shower for Birthright

Birthright in Georgetown is a crisis pregnancy resource center serving about 20 new mothers per month. From birth until the baby is 12 months old, diapers, wipes and clothing are provided monthly. Special needs babies, teen mothers and those who pursue education, remain with Birthright for >24 months. The organization is supported solely by financial and material donations, and volunteers.

We will hold a “Baby Shower” during May. Donated items can be left in the church vestibule where there will be a large container, or in Berly Hall. **Please don’t bring items to the office.** Your gifts are greatly appreciated. Needed items:

- Most needed: diapers, sizes 4, 5 and 6.
- Jumbo packs of baby wipes
- New or gently used clothing, sleepers and onesies—size newborn to 24 months/2T
- Other items: diaper rash cream, diaper bags, baby shampoo/wash, baby lotion, jackets/sweaters, hats, socks, bibs/burp clothes, lap blankets, towels/wash cloths.

Please do not wrap items.

Bible Studies:

The Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday at 8:00 a.m. in the Discovery Classroom.
Led by Jim Kay.

Bible Study:

Experiencing the Heart of Jesus by Max Lucado, every Thursday, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary.

Revelation Bible Study, every Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary. Please email John Finnical if interested in taking the new study – jrfinnical@gmail.com

Bible Study – Who Is Jesus? Every Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., Discovery classroom starting May 6 – June 10. "...Before Abraham was born, "I Am" John 8:58. Please contact Roslyn Keck if interested at 843-651-1608 or email: roslynkeck1@gmail.com.

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Join us for **the Saint Paul's Waccamaw Methodist women's meeting** May 13, in Berly Hall @ 12PM. A delicious salad lunch will be provided.

Dr. Steve Meixel MD, will present a program entitled, "Being Your Doctor's Partner". This information will help you to achieve improved health outcomes.

Tickets for the May 17th fashion show, will be available to purchase at the close of our program.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Gardening Volunteering, will meet Tuesday, May 27th at 9:00 a.m.

Mary & Martha is a fellowship group that began last fall and meets in the Discovery classroom every Wednesday at 10 a.m. We are Scriptural – we begin each meeting with a devotion based on scripture. Also, Pastor JR provides us, for discussion, questions from the prior Sunday's message; we are Prayerful – we bring our prayer concerns to the group and pray for each other as well as our church community and friends; we are Faithful – we faithfully pray, study, and serve; we are Invitational –we invite ladies of our church and friends to join M&M and also to come to church and experience the Holy Spirit; we are Discipling – we bring lunch to the James Gang on one or more Wednesdays when they are at a project and minister to anyone in need of prayer and assistance; we are Forward Focused – we are always looking for service projects to do around the church and see where the Lord is leading us. One project accomplished was the dusting and cleaning of areas in the Sanctuary and Berly Hall that do not get weekly cleaning. In the near future we will be introducing a new ministry called Mary & Martha's Closet! So, if your desire is to be ALL IN with the Lord, we invite all ladies to join us on **Wednesdays at 10.**

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group - 1st Wednesday of the Month 10:00 am - 11:30 am in the Joy Classroom starting May 7th. Contact Patty Younts at 843-902-9304 for more information.

Trustee Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 5:00 p.m., Truth Seekers Classroom.

Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show Fundraiser

Mark your calendars for May 17th. There will be a Ladies' Luncheon and Fashion Show in Berly Hall from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. Our Fashion Sponsor will be Pawleys Island Wear from the Hammock Shops. Tickets will be on sale after church at the 8:45 am and 11:00 am service on 5/11. The ticket is \$30. When you purchase your ticket, save it to get in and to enter your name for the door prizes. Please bring as many friends as you can. This is your opportunity to be invitational. Groups of eight may sit together. Lunch and home-made desserts will be served. Our Praise Band will lead us in praise and worship. Mark your calendars ladies. Come and enjoy good food, fun, and fellowship on May 17th. **(After the 11:00 am service, Sunday May 11th, we will need volunteers to help set up for this event)**

Mission Committee Meeting, Monday, May 19, 2025, 2:00 p.m., Joy Classroom.

Blood Drive, Tuesday, May 20th, 8:00 – 1:00 p.m. If you have any questions, email Bill Alexander at petvet2428@gmail.com. Also, be sure to tell another person about it!!!!

DON'T PLAY GOLF? THAT'S OKAY. YOU CAN STILL BE PART OF THE FUN!!!

Volunteers are needed the day of our church golf tournament on June 11, 2025. You can help with registration, prize setup on the deck, "hole in one" verification on the par 3, handing out snacks around the course, food setup on the deck, cleanup after the event, or just come and have fun. Contact Bill Alexander, petvet2428@gmail.com or Gene Posey, atlast1@sc.rr.com

Chancel Choir Practice

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 (Truth Seekers & wings classrooms) and Friday in Berly Hall.

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

Yvonne Moran
Fred Hutcheson
Rachel Shumaker
Marie Beaver
Frank Antes
Rachel Sirmon
Janet Parsons
Janis Lange
The Family of Lee Horton
Melton Gardner (Pam Gardner's husband)
John Hall
Nancy Hall

Rusty Heaton (Fran Heaton's son)
Helen Wilson
Arthur Jackson (Susan Lewis's father)
Mike Rhodes
Ron McKenzie (friend of Linda MacCulloch)
Maddy Newman (Sinkway Family)
Heather (Bob & Pam Carson's daughter)
Don Hayes (loss of wife) (family of Polly Simock)
Kristen Canine (daughter-in law of Dave and Paula Canine)
The family of Nan and Keith Black (Nan's father passed away)
Kay Long, (friend of James and Leslie Hare)
Geri Cole and son Michael Adkins (lost everything in the flood in Kentucky)
Ann (Rachel Shumaker's sister)
Doretha (Rachel Shumaker's cousin)
Matthew Leyendecker (George & Clem Leyendecker's son)
Connie Corriher (Jan Estabrook's sister-cancer returned)
Sheila Gryder (Jan Estabrook's cousin)
Liz Dallago (Bob Lawrence's daughter)
Mark Merolla (Leslie Hare's friend)
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)
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)
 Dan Litton (a friend of JD Whitmire)
 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

May Birthdays

Eric Weber	5/10
Frank Antes	5/11
Maddie Freeman	5/12
Fran Keller	5/13
Elizabeth Satterfield	5/13
Wanda Freeland	5/14
Sarah Cooke	5/15
Nan Black	5/17
Bob Hagan	5/18
Susan Payne	5/19
Charles Overby	5/20
Jean Young	5/21
Richard Black	5/26
David Medlin	5/27
John Hall	5/30

May Anniversaries

R. Tucker & Kimmie Dieter	5/10
Jeff & Ruth Carlyle	5/11
Alan & Susan Walters	5/13
James & Emeline Jordan	5/21
Robert & Vicki Blair	5/26
Al & Ellen Robbins	5/26
Chris & Angela Bass	5/29
Duncan & Susan Rogers	5/31

