



St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

June 19, 2025

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

06/22/2025

Week 4 of 15 week series "The Acts of the Holy Spirit"

Pastor JR Virgin

Will present the sermon

"The Beautiful Gate"

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

Pastor Len Kircher

"The Beautiful Gate"

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: Acts 3:1-16 (NIV)

One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer—at three in the afternoon. 2 Now a man who was lame from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. 4 Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” 5 So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

6 Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” 7 Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. 8 He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. 9 When all the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

11 While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon’s Colonnade. 12 When Peter saw this, he said to them: “Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? 13 The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. 14 You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. 15 You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. 16 By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus’ name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see.

A Message From Pastor JR

Week three of our sermon series brings us to one of the first descriptions of the focus of the early church in the Book of Acts. In Chapter 2, we are told that the people of the early church were devoted to four things: devotion to the apostles' teachings, devotion to fellowship, devotion to the breaking of bread, and devotion to prayer. The question for us is how do we live this out in the modern church? As a church that places the utmost emphasis on Scripture, we must continue to devote ourselves every day to diving deeper and deeper into the Word of God and expecting that through the power of the Holy Spirit those words will transform us into who God has created us to be in this life. Our devotion to fellowship is that we will be united by a common goal. What is that goal? It is precisely what Jesus commanded us to do, to go and make disciples of all the world. Our devotion to breaking bread together is an encouragement for us to continue to meet together outside of Sunday mornings. Especially gathering together for meals. When you share a meal with others, it opens up new and unique opportunities to connect on deeper levels. This draws us nearer to each other in the Holy Spirit and equips us to better serve God in ministry together. The

fourth devotion is to prayer. Let us never cease to pray. We should be in prayer in our personal lives as well as in our church lives, but in our prayers, we must always be seeking God's Will above our own. If we follow these lessons from the early church, we just may see the results that the early church saw. The scripture says that God added daily to the number of those being saved. This is the goal! Not increased church attendance or offerings, but the goal is the same that Jesus set upon us 2,000 years ago...Go and make disciples! It's time to get back to our roots and simplify church. Let us draw nearer to God each and every day and allow the Holy Spirit to take over in our lives. We still have work to do!

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

Pastor J.R.

Message from the Trustee Chairperson

Assistance needed with the Safety and Security project

We are looking for additional knowledgeable computer volunteers to assist George and Fred with the administration of creating and managing access based on the monitoring of the email address for requests and completing that process once approved .

Also, I am looking for a group of volunteers to review the camera activity on a rotated monthly schedule. This can be done remotely on your individual cellphones, iPads or computer devices. Training and setting up your tools to do either of these tasks will be provided.

Please contact trusteechair@spwmethodist.org or accessrequest@spwmethodist.org to inform us of your interest.

Thanks,

Charles Estabrook
Trustee Chairperson

Weekly Bible Reading

Jun 22: Prov 30-31

Jun 23: 1King 12-14

Jun 24: 2Chron 10-12

Jun 25: 1King 15:1-24; 2Chron 13-16

Jun 26: 1King 15:25-16:34; 2Chron 17

Jun 27: 1King 17-19

Jun 28: 1King 20-21

Our Faithfulness Sunday, June 15, 2025

8:45 Service 189; on line viewers 97; 11:00 Service 107; on line viewers 163; 11:15 Service 30; Sunday School 107

The Joy (Joy Classroom) and Friendship Sunday School (Sanctuary) Classes will meet June 22, 2025, at 10:00 TE: The Truth Seekers will meet, Room 305 in the CLC Building.

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

SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are doing great with Operation Christmas Child year-round collections! Thanks to all who have donated! The support of this mission is helping children around the world learn about and come to know Jesus. **The next collection date will be Sunday, July 6.**

Collection containers are in the Narthex and Berly Hall. Listed below are the **suggested items** for July. Please remember items need to be the size to fit in a shoebox.

JULY – Dolls (consider a darker skin tone), Stuffed Animals, Flash Cards, Coloring Books, Crayons, Blanket, Dress, Pants, Shoes, Small Plastic Drinking Cups with Straw, Sunglasses (AGES 2-4)

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

A Message From the Golf Tournament team

"Our church had a very successful golf tournament this year. The Tournament Sponsors helped make it possible.

They were:

Title Sponsor: South Atlantic Bank.

Platinum Sponsors: JM Allen Construction, LLC;

Morris Law Firm; DR Horton; Wells Fargo.

We are very grateful for their participation in this event."

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 is 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.

ARK TRIP. Pastor Len invites you for a great 5 day bus tour to the ARK Encounter in Williamstown, KY. The trip is planned for October 6-10. Cost is \$625.00 per person (double occupancy and add \$229 for single occupancy) which includes the bus, hotels, breakfast and two dinners and admissions. If interested, please call **Pastor Len at 901-233-8850** or email Len@spwmethodist.org

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. For more information please email Gay Kelly at tgkell12@gmail.com.

Revelation Bible Study, (Part II) Starting June 17, 2025, and will meet every Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary. Please email John Finnical if interested in taking the new study – jfinnical@gmail.com

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Volunteer Gardeners will meet June 24 from 9 – 11 am. We will reschedule via email if raining.

Mary & Martha - Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in the Discovery classroom for fellowship, devotions, sharing, service projects, and laughter. We would love to have you! **(For Summer meetings, we will only meet July 23rd)** For questions, please contact Amylou Antes at sophella2009@aol.com.

Town Hall Meeting – Sunday, June 29, 2025, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary.

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.

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. **(OUT FOR SUMMER BREAK)**

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

Marie Beaver

Frank Antes

Rachel Sirmon

John Hall

Nancy Hall

Nancy Reitano

Rachel Shumaker

Jan Estabrook

George Simon (friend of Wendy Eisenhower)

Josh Swanberg (Keri Geddings)

Marilyn (a family member of Dale & Polly Simock)

Julian Coburn (friend of Jane Sipe)

Rev. Jack Todd & family (son)

Jerry Vaughn (friend of Don Lerche)

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)

Kay Long, (friend of James and Leslie Hare)

Gerri 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)

Sheila Gryder (Jan Estabrook's cousin)

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)
 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)
 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
 Kerry Lennard (friend of Keith Black)
 Milia Black (Keith Black's mother)
 Judy Ellis

June Birthdays

Ray Cox	06/11
Alfred (Wayne) Morgan	06/14
Timothy White	06/15
Marilyn Leach	06/16
KayKay Wells	06/17
Margaret (Margie Smith)	6/18
Cheryl Harris	06/19
Susan Rogers	06/20
Marlene Bodemann	06/21
Jim Kay	06/20
Victory Smith	06/22
Robert Maffa	06/24
Cynthia Senatore	06/24
Cliff Williams	06/24
Kyle Player	06/25
Nancy Hagan	06/27
Susan Lewis	06/27
Peggy Watson	06/27
Donna Schmidt	06/28
Marshall Truluck	06/28
Charles Estabrook	06/30

Jan Finnical

06/30

June Anniversaries

Greg & Rosemary Hill	06/08
Clem & George Leyendecker	06/12
Jon & Susan Stuckey	06/14
Robert & Darlene Novak	06/17
Mike & Lisa Collins	06/18
David & Janice Medlin	06/18
James & Marlene Bodemann	06/19
Gene & Geri Seiveno	06/24
Timothy & Anda White	06/25
James & Betsy Richardson	06/26
Frank & Amylou Antes	06/27
Jeff & Elaine Edwards	06/27
Jack & Penni Hawley	06/28