



St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church Newsletter

June 26, 2025

Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday morning

06/29/2025

Week 5 of 15 week series "The Acts of the Holy Spirit"

Pastor JR Virgin

Will present the sermon

"Power of Prayer"

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

Pastor Len Kircher

"Power of Prayer"

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 4:23-31 (NIV)

23 On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. 24 When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. 25 You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David:

"Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?
26 The kings of the earth rise up
and the rulers band together
against the Lord
and against his anointed one.

27 Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. 28 They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. 29 Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. 30 Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

31 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

A Message From Pastor JR

The definition of a witness is someone who has observed or experienced something and can testify to its truth. Jesus calls the apostles in the Book of Acts to be his "witnesses" to the ends of the earth. To do this they first must have had to observed or experienced who Jesus was, and then they must testify to the validity that Jesus is who He claims to be. The apostles did this in many bold and profound ways as we are beginning to see in the Book of Acts. The question becomes for us, are we doing the same? Have you observed or experienced the work of the Holy Spirit in your life? If you look back on the events of your life, can you see how God worked in and through you? If the answer to these questions are "yes" then you are half way to being a witness. If you truly desire to be a witness as Jesus commanded us to be, you must testify to the truth of who Jesus is. Each day God is working in our lives and adding to the story we can testify to. Let us recognize God's workings in us and proclaim them without fear as we witness to the truth of the

love of God expressed in Jesus Christ.

Congregational Care Pastor

Beginning July 1, 2025, Rev. Len Kircher will transition from Preaching Pastor to Congregational Care Pastor. Pastor Len will oversee many of the care ministries for the church and will also be working in visitation and counseling. Pastor Len will continue to preach regularly at the Sunday services at St. Paul's Waccamaw. Pastor Len brings decades of pastoral care experience to the ministerial team at St. Paul's and we are blessed to have him serving in this new capacity.

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

Pastor J.R.

Weekly Bible Reading

Jun 29: 1King 22; 2Chron 18

Jun 30: 2Chron 19-23

Jul 1: Oba; Ps 82-83

Jul 2: 2King 1-4

Jul 3: 2King 5-8

Jul 4: 2King 9-11

Jul 5: 2King 12-13; 2Chron 24

Our Faithfulness Sunday, June 22, 2025

8:45 Service 177; on line viewers 102; 11:00 Service 111; on line viewers 158; 11:15 Service 68; Sunday School 98

The Joy (Joy Classroom) and Friendship Sunday School (Sanctuary) TE: The Truth Seekers will meet, Room 305 in the CLC Building. All Adult Sunday School Classes will NOT meet June 29, 2025.

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.

St. Paul's is also looking for 2 volunteers to work as wedding coordinators for the church. For more information contact Pastor J.R. (pastorjr@spwmethodist.org) 814-244-5654.

Help Wanted!

St. Paul's is currently seeking a new treasurer. Dave Streeter has served in this role faithfully for many years and would like to explore other avenues for ministry in the life of the church. If you are interested or would like to recommend someone, please contact Pastor J.R. (pastorjr@spwmethodist.org) 814-244-5654.

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

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. Deadline for signing up is July 13th. 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 – jrfinnical@gmail.com

Committee Meetings & Work of the Church:

Mary & Martha - Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in Berly Hall 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 Discovery Classroom. 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)
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)
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

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

James & Betsy Richardson	06/26
Frank & Amylou Antes	06/27
Jeff & Elaine Edwards	06/27
Jack & Penni Hawley	06/28

July Birthdays

Ruthie Kearns	7/1
James Hare	7/3
Wendy Eisenhower	7/5
Penni Hawley	7/5
Richard O'Planick	7/5
Dru Cooper	7/9
Duncan Rogers	7/10
James Piver	7/11
Duane Keck	7/14
Shawn Keller	7/14
Robert Bobo	7/15
Bernie J. Burns	7/15
Rachel Sirmon	7/15
Pat Terrill	7/15
Woody Cox	7/16
Henry Jobe	7/16
Anda White	7/16
Judy Drohan	7/20
Keith Black	7/21
Gay Kelly	7/21
Janet Parsons	7/22
Nancy Job	7/23
Carol Roscher	7/23
Eleanor Muncie	7/24
Darlene Duchene	7/25
Ruth Johnston	7/25
Anne Lawrence	7/26
Betty Kemp	7/27
Donna Ratliff	7/27
George Leyendecker	7/31

July Anniversaries

Woody & Delores Cox	7/7
Susan & Clayton Williams	7/8
Bob & Pam Carson	7/9
Bruce & Irene Reese	7/15
James & Leslie Hare	7/21
Pinck & Mary Wynne Kellett	7/22
Jim & Ruthie Kearns	7/22
Gary & Stella Pyle	7/22
Cliff & Sidney Williams	7/24
Ray & Kay Kay Wells	7/27
Chuck & Peggy Muravnick	7/28
Steve & Delisa Staton	7/31
Buddy & Traci Satterfield	7/31