



Sunday Worship — 8:45 AM & 10:15 AM
 May 17, 2026
 Ascension of the Lord Sunday

Video
 Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Song of Life* Olivia Huggins, organ

* The Chiming of the Hour & Entering the Light of Christ

* Call to Worship

* Prayer of Invocation

* Passing of the Peace

* Hymn *How Firm a Foundation* vs 1,2,3,5 UMH #529

* Affirmation of Faith

* Gloria Patri #70

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

Celebrating Grace by The Return of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *In This House, O Lord* Chancel Choir

* The Doxology UMH #94

Offertory Prayer

* Hymn of Preparation *Spirit of the Living God* 2 X UMH #393

Sermon Text Acts 1:12-14 (NIV)

Prayer of Preparation

Sermon Together in Expectation Pastor J. R. Virgin

Communion (10:15)

* Hymn of Response *They'll Know We Are Christians* vs 1-4 (on screen)

* Benediction

Postlude *Voluntary on "Christ lag in Todesbanden"* Olivia Huggins, organ

* please stand if able

Church Calendar Meetings

Men's Bible Study: Every Thursday, Discovery Classroom, 8:00 a.m. For questions, please email Jim Kay at jfkbroker@gmail.com.

Bible Study: "Daniel" 10:00 am, New Room. It is a book detailing the experiences and prophetic visions during his exile in Babylon. The text features prophecy rooted in Jewish history as well as a portrayal of the End Times. (For more info contact John Finnical at jrfinnical@gmail.com.)

Goliath Must Fall!!! by Louie Giglio. Six week video Bible Study. If interested, contact Gay Kelly at tgkell12@gmail.com.

Mary & Martha Ministry meet Wednesday, 10:00 am, Library.

Blankets for Babies, 1st Wednesday of the month, 10:00 am, Admin. Building.

Hobby Lobby Day, Will meet every Tuesday, 12:00 noon—2 pm, except the 2nd Tuesday of each month. For more info email Ann Mickle at acmickle@icloud.com

Volunteer Gardeners, will meet every Tuesday, 9 am—11 am (weather permitting). For questions, please email Angela Bass at acbass95@gmail.com or 770-317-5525.

Men's Prayer Breakfast: will meet the first Saturday of each month, 8:30 am, Berly Hall beginning May 2. Contact Bruce Reese or Pastor Len for more info.

Counseling by Appointment, Tuesday & Thursday, 10 :00 am—1pm. Contact Fran Keller at 843-833-3980. (By appointment only.)

Committee Meetings & The Work of the Church

Safety & Security Meeting: Tuesday, May 19, 4:00 pm, Discovery Classroom.

Church Council: Tuesday, May 26, 2:00 pm, New Room.

Golf Meeting: Monday, June 1, 10:00 am, New Room.

Safety & Security Meeting: Thursday, June 11, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary.

The Ministry of Music

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, (Wednesdays), 6:30 p.m.

Handbells (Wednesdays), 5:00 p.m.

Encouragement, Activities, and Community Gatherings

AA, Tues., Fri., at 7:00 p.m., Joy Classroom. **AA.** Thurs, at 7:00 p.m., New Room.

Students in the Word, Mon—Friday (Truth Seekers, Wings & Joy Classrooms in (Berly Hall) 7:30 a.m.—1 p.m. (2 p.m., Discovery, Thurs.)

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group—1st Wednesday of the Month, 10:00 am—12:00 pm, Discovery Classroom. Contact Patty Younts 843-902-9304 for more information.

Office Hours: 8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Monday—Thurs. Closed Friday. If you have an emergency, please call Rev. J. R. Virgin at 814-244-5654 or Pastor Len Kircher at 901-233-8850

Scripture: Acts 1:12-14 (NIV)

Series: Because He Lives

Sermon: Together in Expectation



Notes:

How do I respond?

Ushers Needed—We are in need of ushers for the 10:15 am Traditional Service and the 11:15 Modern Service. If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact Lynn Young at (843) 283-1663 for the 10:15 Traditional Service or email Joyce Eckard at joyceeckard66@gmail.com for the 11:15 Modern Service. You can also email Alice in the church office at office@spwmethodist.org.

Calling All Men—St. Paul's Methodist Men will meet on Tuesday evening May 19 at 6:30 pm in the New Room. A meal will be provided to nourish the body along with Christian fellowship for spiritual growth. Contact Bruce Reese at bruceareese@aol.com if you plan to attend.

Israel Trip—Today at 10:00 am, there will be a brief meeting in the Discovery Classroom for an update on the September 2—12 Holy Land trip. If you have registered, or if you are still considering registering for this trip, you might find this meeting informative.

The Marie Gibson-Beaver Memorial Fund—has been established at St. Paul's Waccamaw Church. This fund will be used to refurbish the "Quiet Room," which is located off the Sanctuary Narthex. If you desire, you may want to consider making a contribution in memory of Marie. If you write a check, make payable to St. Paul's Waccamaw Methodist Church and put Marie Beaver Fund in the memo line.

BRAIN HEALTH EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

It's never too early or too late to adopt habits that support brain health. The Alzheimer's Association will present "Building Brain-Healthy Habits," a new community education program, on **Thursday, May 21st**, in Berly Hall. Light refreshments will be served at 11:15 a.m., followed by the presentation at 11:30 a.m. For questions or to register, contact Patty Younts at 843-902-9304. Bring a friend and learn how to build brain-healthy habits.

Potluck—Sunday, May 31 at 12:30 pm, New Room. Our theme for food is International eats! The church will provide bratwursts. Please bring your favorite ethnic food and desserts. The **Town Hall Meeting will be held during this time also.**

Breakfast with Friends—meets every Tuesday at Applewood Restaurant at 8:30 am. Come join us for a great time of fellowship.

Parking Courtesy - The church is having problems with people not parking correctly in the Handicap Parking spaces. The properly marked spaces are there to accommodate cars/vans only and also have another space beside them to allow the lift in the car/van to be let down into the additional space. There are other handicapped spaces that are for cars only. As a church family we need to care for, and respect others needs.

Thank you, Trustees

Our Faithfulness

OUR PRESENCE: Sunday, May 10, 2025

8:45	Sunday Service	171
8:45	Online Service Views	98
10:00	Sunday School	77
10:15	Sunday Service	52
11:15	Sunday Service	125
11:15	Online Service Views	67

OUR SERVICE: Sunday, May 17, 2026

Altar Flowers: Our Flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

Adult Sunday School Classes at 10:00 a.m. -
Joy Sunday School—CLC Building, Joy Classroom
Truth Seekers Sunday School—CLC Building, Truth Seekers Classroom
Friendship Sunday School—New Room

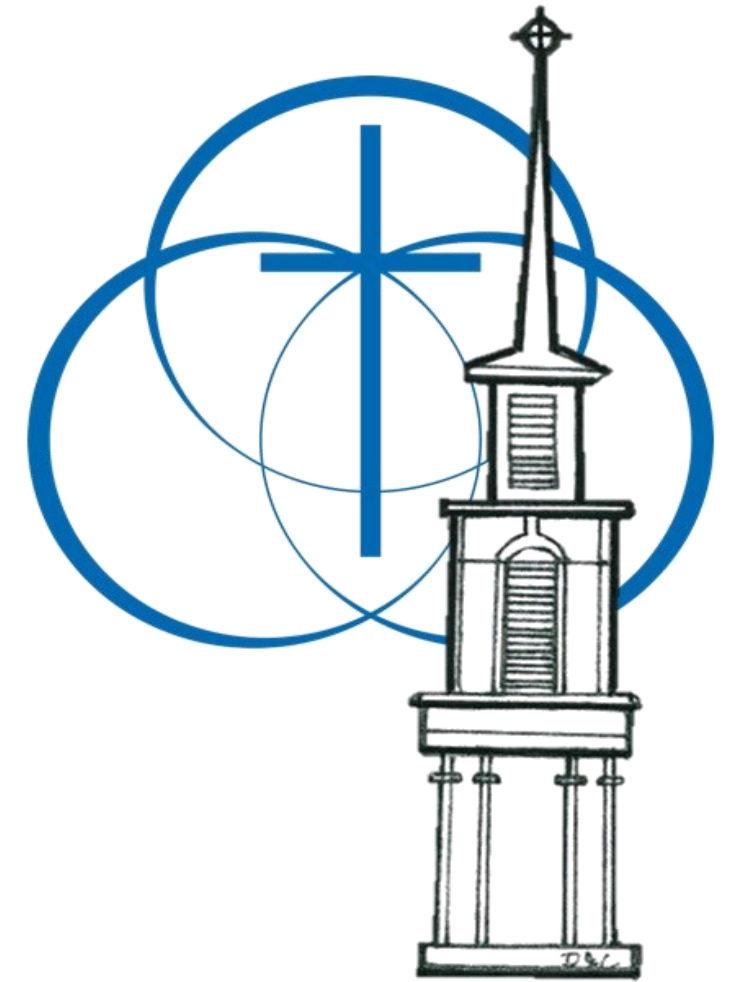
Weekly Bible Reading

May 17: 2 Cor 9-10
May 18: Ex 25-28
May 19: 2 Sam 15-19
May 20: Ps 57-59
May 21: Job 41-42
May 22: Jer 42-46
May 23: Luke 5-6

Congregational Care—If you know of anyone in need of pastoral care, visitation, having an upcoming surgery, or homebound, please contact our Congregational Care Pastor Len Kircher at 901-233-8850 or email leonkircher0@gmail.com.

If your willing to provide meals, serve as a visitor, or provide occasional transportation, please email Dee Horton at dbhorton119@gmail.com.

The Prayer Room—will be unlocked and available for anyone to use Mondays-Thursdays between the hours of 9 am—1 pm. You can enter directly through the outside door connected to the Prayer Room.



**St. Paul's Waccamaw
Methodist Church**

Lead Pastor: Rev. J. R. Virgin

Associate Pastor: Rev. Shawn Lehman

Congregational Care Pastor: Rev. Len Kircher

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Worship Services

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