

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 6, 2017

**Our fears can be replaced
with faith in God's presence.**

Prelude

***Congregation please stand if able**

*** The Call to Worship** *Psalm 103: 1-5* **Pg. 824**

***Hymn** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* **No. 89**

* Entrance of the Light of Christ

Joys and Prayer Concerns of the Congregation
(Please sign attendance pads located at the end of pew)

The Unison Prayer

Silent Prayer Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer

Choral Prayer Response Seek Ye First No. 405
Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Special

Children's Message

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

* Doxology (No. 95), Blessing

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

*Hymn **Hymn of Praise** **No. 707**

Scripture Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Message *Becoming a Good Waiter* Rev. Evans C. Bentley

* **Hymn** **We've a Story to Tell to the Nations** **No. 569**

The Light of Christ Leads Us In To the World

Benediction

***Congregational Response** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

*Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

St. Paul's Staff

Pastor: Evans C. Bentley

Office Manager: Susan Paterson

Director of Music: John C. Tyner

Organist: Inger Oswald

Director of Children's Choirs: John Fedosky

Christian Education Director: Alisha Cooley

Youth Leader: Willie Lass

Ushers: Brenda Cadle, Fran Rayce, Patty Siekierda,
Paula Massengill

Liturgist: Willie Lass

Acolytes: Noah & Micaiah Ivey

Budget Information:

Expenditures: \$192,823

Income \$154,197

Endowment Income and

2016 Carryover used: \$38,626

Walk To Emmaus

Luke 24: 13

He asked them “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” Imagine walking along the road to Emmaus and Jesus meets you on the road. The men discover later that the man is Jesus when he reveals himself to them. It is the same way with us; Jesus meets us where we are in all areas of our lives. The Walk to Emmaus is a three-day journey to grow in your faith, grow in God’s grace and love. You are placed in discussion groups, listen to fifteen talks given by lay people and clergy, have fellowship with one another, and experience praise and worship. This is an amazing experience and I encourage you to pray about this journey of faith.

You will need a sponsor, so if you have questions, please talk to Paula Vergowven, Pastor Evans Bentley, Duane Bair, Susan Fleming, Mary Vergowven or Randall Lee. We will also have an Emmaus introduction video set up in the fellowship hall. The Fall Walks are being held at First United Methodist Church of Saline.

Men: October 5-8 Women: October 19-22

God Loves You and So Do I

Paula Vergowven

UMYF LOCK-IN August 16 at St. Paul’s UMC. Doors open at 7pm, but the “Official lock-in” is from 8pm to 8am. Prepare for fun and games, food, movie, food and devotions with “foot washing” and food! All 7th thru 12th graders are welcome and bring your friends too. Recapture that “feeling” from Harrisburg or get a taste of it. Contact Willie Lass at 734-735-1669 for more details.

This Week at St. Paul’s

Sunday, August 6, 2017

9:30 a.m. – Worship

10:30 a. m. – Social

Monday, August 7, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Noon - Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, August 8, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Noon - Vacation Bible School

Noon - Kiwanis Board

Wednesday, August 9, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Noon - Vacation Bible School

Noon – Kiwanis Club

Thursday, August 10, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Noon - Vacation Bible School

Friday, August 11, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Noon - Vacation Bible School

Sunday, August 13, 2017

9:30 a.m. – Worship

10:30 a. m. – Social

2:00 p.m. – Living In the Word

Ice Cream Social at Ron & Adel Ivey’s

Announcements

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

St. Paul's UMW is gearing up for the fall salad luncheons. Once again, everyone's support is needed. There is a wonderful group of volunteers in place who are helping to provide our community outreach. You can join them. We appreciate all the willing supporters for this effort. How might you help? First, you can come to enjoy lunch and fellowship with others. The cost is \$6.00. Bring your friends! Second, you can provide a salad. Pick one of your favorites or try something new. As in the past, hot chicken salad, Betty Salad, Strawberry-Spinach Salad, meatballs, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, and sausage and sauerkraut will be provided. We'll continue with the "Build Your Own Salad" bar, with sides. The UMW Executive Board will provide desserts. On the days of the luncheons, beginning at 9:45 a.m., there will be volunteers at the parking lot door to take your salad into the kitchen for you. You may also bring your salad to the church on Wednesday evenings between 5:00 and 7:00p.m. (when Christ's Kids and/or the choir is meeting). Third, if you are available and interested in joining a work crew, contact Kathy Heatherly at (457-0622). If you have garden produce that you would like to contribute to our luncheon extras, it can be brought to the church Wednesday evening or Thursday morning. It will be put out on a table and individuals can take it for a donation to UMW missions. Please join us as we provide community outreach, raise money for UMW mission giving, and have a lot of fun. Thank you, St. Paul's United Methodist Women

The next Mary Martha Circle will meet on **Thursday, August 17th at 12:30 p.m.** Bring a sack lunch or something to contribute to a potluck lunch. **Taiya and Ellie** are planning to give us some direction with card making and scrapping. Join us for a pleasant afternoon of fellowship, discussion, and crafting! We will begin with lunch and a short devotion on 'The Fruits of the Spirit'.

Childcare is provided for children, 4 years old and younger in the nursery on Sundays during worship service.

Thank you to our wonderful St. Paul's family for your words of comfort, many cards, thoughts, prayers, and support during this difficult time following mom's death. We are so blessed to have each and every one of you in our lives. With love, **Connie and Willie**

There is a **Special Music** sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please share your music talents with the congregation.

No one has signed up for the **God Works! meal on August 15**. If you and your group can serve a meal that evening, please sign up on the bulletin board or call Jeff Weaver.

VBS themed Maker Fun Factory will be held August 7-11, 2017 from 9 a.m. to Noon. Volunteers and leaders needed! Please prayerfully consider participating. Contact Alisha Cooley, Christian Education Director, at (734) 344-8535 or alisha@cooleyservices.com.

Need any new knives (or a knife sharpener for your old ones)?

Did you know that the UMW sells Rade Knives – some of the best, inexpensive knives around. Stop in at the church office and shop from our collection. Everything from paring knives to butcher knives, and the best tomato slicer around!

Thanks to those who have helped to weed and care for the flower beds. However, there is still plenty of summer left and several opportunities to sign up to help. Thank You.