

Celebration of Worship

✠ Stand as you are able.

We Gather as God's People

We welcome you on this eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, August 5th, 2018.

Prelude

Greetings, Welcome Visitors, and Announcements

(Please sign and pass the red folder in your row.)

✠ **Congregation Introit** *He Has Made Me Glad* no. 2270

✠ Call to Worship

L: The Bread of Life has come among us.

P: What is this Bread of Life?

L: It is none other than Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son!

P: We hunger for the true Bread that will nourish our souls.

L: Come, then, to Christ who feeds us with His very life!

P: We come, needing sustenance and nurturing. AMEN.

We Give Ourselves to God

✠ **Praise Hymn** *I Am Thine, O Lord* no. 419

We Pray Together (Unison):

Along life's pathways, we search continually for signs to point us in positive directions.

Christ has given us a sign which points us to healing and hope:

the sign of the Bread of Life. No more shall we hunger and thirst after the things which

cannot sustain us. Now we have been fed and nourished by Christ!

Open our hearts in gratitude, Lord, for all the wondrous things You have done for us.

Open our Spirits to hear Your words of hope for us today. AMEN.

Activities — Week of August 5, 2018

Sunday, August 5

• 9⁴⁵ A.M. Worship Service Sanctuary

Tuesday, August 7

• 10 A.M. Bible Study Parlor
• All day Precinct Voting Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, August 8

• 6³⁰ P.M. Small Group Pastor's Study

Meeting Our 2018 Ministry Goals and Obligations, as of July 29th:

General Budget

Needed Weekly: \$2,579

Received Last Sunday: \$1,940

Needed Year-to-Date: \$77,370

Received Year-to-Date: \$63,257

Attendance July 22nd: 25

World Service (UMW): \$400

2018 YTD Coins for Mission: \$54

Assisting Next Week (August 12th):

Counters: Joyce McClelland, Sherry Pickett

Liturgist: Doug Sweeder

Nursery: TBD

Hospitality: Nurture Team

Trustee on Duty: Marcus Kelley

Ushers: Barb Casper, Dick Casper, Marcus Kelley

Sermon Notes and Reflections

**“Forgiving The Faithful”
Psalm 51: 1-13 (OT p. 501)**

1. God removes our remorse if we seek a new start.

Sermon Notes and Reflections

2. God can cleanse and renew those with guilty hearts.

3. God restores us to stop those who try to depart.

Activities and Announcements



Celebration Activities

**Collections to benefit local charities -
Our goal is to collect at least 100 items per month.**

July:	Canned Food	F.I.S.H.
August:	Diapers	Little Tots & Mom's
September:	Socks	Cass Avenue

**Jazz on the Green with Tola Lewis — Friday, Aug. 17th, 6³⁰ P.M.
(Front Lawn)**

Sign-up sheet to help with refreshments in narthex.

Potluck Picnic/Barbecue — Saturday, Sept. 8th, Time 12-4 P.M. (FH)

**Worship Celebration — Sunday, October 14th, 9⁴⁵ A.M.
After worship, there will be a luncheon potluck with speakers.
St. Paul will provide the meat and cake. Everyone will have an
opportunity to share memories of St. Paul and its members.**

**If you can donate to help offset our expenses,
mark envelope, "100th Year Celebration".
Send photos to be displayed to: joyce.mcclelland@mac.com**



Congratulations to the Kumar Family!

Walter Ravi Kumar was born Thursday, July 26th. Proud parents Andrew & Cassy Kumar. Grandparents Anil & Marjorie Kumar. Welcome Walter!



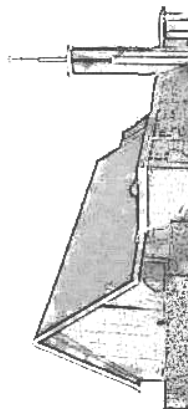
Walt Whitman Elementary School Outreach

We are taking school supply donations, through the end of September for Mrs. Schall's 2nd grade class. Collection box will be in the narthex, thank you!



VBS — Hazel Park 1st UMC, August 13th thru 17th, 6³⁰ to 8 P.M.

Venture to an uncharted island where kids discover the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. Call (248) 546-5955, for more information. Invite your children, grandchildren, friends, and neighbors.



"Celebrating the love of God through worship and service"

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St. Paul United Methodist Church

Welcome!! If you came this morning seeking, we pray you will leave having found faith, hope, love, friendship — **Christ!** If you are without a church home, we invite you to join our faith community. Childcare for infants through first grade is located off the hall on the north side of the sanctuary, if you prefer this option.

We are a congregation that welcomes all, regardless of any human difference or religious affiliation. In worship, we blend the old and the new, the familiar and unfamiliar, in ways that are in keeping with the spirit and history of the early church and the best of church traditions, always with the goal of meeting today's needs. Each Sunday, we are part of a welcoming community where we learn and have our faith stretched, as well.

Please remember to wear your nametag in worship! Nametags are an important sign of hospitality to guests and newcomers who say, "We want you to get to know us and feel welcome here." **Newer attendees are welcome to request a printed nametag at any time;** either ask on the attendance registry or stop by the office.

Summer Office Hours Starting Week of July 9th: Monday, Thursday: 10 A.M. — 3 P.M.
Pastor's Office Hours: Tuesdays: 9³⁰ A.M. — 12 P.M. (Feel free to visit)

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Frederick G. Sampson, III
Administrative Assistant: Laura Ferguson
Director of Music: Judy White
Ministers: All Members
Custodians: Laura & Randy Ferguson

Assisting This Week (August 5th):

Counters: Fay Alston, Doug Sweeder
Liturgist: Carol Kelley
Communion Steward: Brian Johns
Nursery: TBD
Trustee on Duty: Marcus Kelley
Ushers: Brian Johns, Bob Robinson

Celebration of Worship

Witness: *We share our joys, connections, and concerns with Christ.*

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading **Psalm 51: 1-3 (OT p. 501)**



We Hear God's Word

Message **"Forgiving The Faithful"**
Sermon Text: **Psalm 51: 1-13 (OT p. 501)**

We Respond with Our Lives

✠ Hymn of Invitation	<i>Change My Heart, O God</i>	no. 2152
Communion	<i>Musical Setting A</i>	p. 17
	<i>Let Us Break Bread Together</i>	no. 618
✠ Benediction		