

# Celebration of Worship

✠ Stand as you are able.

## We Gather as God's People

*We welcome you on this fifth Sunday of Easter, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.*

### Prelude

### Greetings, Welcome Visitors, and Announcements

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

✠ **Congregation Introit** *Surely the Presence* no. 328

### ✠ Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all of you who feel lost, alienated, alone.

**Right Side: At one time we felt that way – we didn't belong anywhere.**

**Left Side: We just wanted somewhere to be.**

Leader: Christ, the Strong Cornerstone of our house, welcomes you.

**Right Side: Once we were no people.**

**Left Side: Now we are God's people.**

**Right Side: Once we had no place to dwell.**

**Left Side: Now we live and abide in God's love.**

Leader: Thanks be to God for God's gracious love and hospitality. AMEN.

## We Give Ourselves to God

✠ **Praise Hymn** *The Church's One Foundation* no. 545

### We Pray Together (Unison):

*Gracious God, on this day of the festival of the Christian Home, the celebration of Mother's Day, the witness to the eternal love of Christ, remind us that we are responsible for caring for each other. We are called to lift up rather than tear down; to support rather than abandon, to reach out when others have turned away. Give us hearts of love that, in all places and times, we may be a witness to the hope that is found in Jesus Christ. AMEN.*

### The Lord's Prayer

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

### Pastoral Prayer

### The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

*Loose change offerings go toward mission projects SPUMC supports.*

**Offertory** *Heart of Worship* Redman/Larsen  
Zakiya Kelley, Flautist

### Doxology

### Offertory Prayer

### Scripture Reading 2 Timothy 1: 1-7 (NLV)



## We Hear God's Word

**Anthem** *Evidence of Grace* McDonald

**Message** "A Mother's Ministry"

**Sermon Text** 2 Timothy 1: 1-7 (NLV)

## We Respond with Our Lives

✠ **Hymn of Invitation** *Happy the Home When God Is There* no. 445

### ✠ Benediction

✠ **Pass the Peace:** "The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you."

**"A Mother's Ministry"  
2 Timothy 1: 1-7 (NLV)**

**The Church is the mother of Christianity.**

**1. Pass on the message of a godly mother. (v. 5)**

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**2. Pass on the ministry of a godly mother. (v. 6)**

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**3. Pass on the mindset of a godly mother. (v. 7)**

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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 and 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.

## Church Office Hours:

**Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10 A.M. — 3 P.M**

## Staff:

<b>Pastor:</b>	Rev. Dr. Frederick G. Sampson, III
<b>Administrative Assistant:</b>	Laura Ferguson
<b>Director of Music:</b>	Judy White
<b>Choir Director</b>	Doug Sweeder
<b>Ministers:</b>	All Members
<b>Custodian:</b>	Randy Ferguson

## Assisting This Week (May 14<sup>th</sup>):

<b>Counters:</b>	Barb Casper, Doug Sweeder
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Marcus Kelley
<b>Nursery:</b>	Kecia Brown
<b>Hospitality:</b>	UM Men
<b>Trustee on Duty:</b>	Marcus Kelley
<b>Ushers:</b>	Barb Casper, Dick Casper, Marcus Kelley

# Activities — Week of May 14, 2017

## Sunday, May 14

- 9 A.M. Sunday School Adults - Parlor  
Youth - Lower Level Classroom
- 9<sup>45</sup> A.M. Worship Service Sanctuary
- 11 A.M. UMM Mother's Day Reception Fellowship Hall

## Tuesday, May 16

- 10 A.M. Bible Study Parlor

## Wednesday, May 17

- 10 A.M. Prayer Meeting Parlor
- 6<sup>30</sup> P.M. Small Group Pastor's Office

## Thursday, May 18

- 7 P.M. Choir Rehearsal Choir Room

## Meeting Our 2017 Ministry Goals and Obligations, as of May 7<sup>th</sup>:

### General Budget

<b>Needed Weekly:</b>	\$2,611
<b>Received Last Sunday</b>	\$2,349
<b>Needed Year-to-Date:</b>	\$46,998
<b>Received Year-to-Date:</b>	\$38,741
<b>Attendance May 7<sup>th</sup>:</b>	42
<b>Roof Repair:</b>	\$663
<b>2017 Coins for Mission:</b>	\$48

## Assisting Next Week (May 21<sup>st</sup>)

<b>Counters:</b>	Lisa Sweeder, Virginia Tuttle
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Bill Lee
<b>Nursery:</b>	Scott Sweeder
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Nurture
<b>Trustee on Duty:</b>	Marcus Kelley
<b>Ushers:</b>	Brian Johns, Shirley Johns, Jeff Leitch

# Activities and Announcements



## Gospel Temple Apostolic Church (GTAC)

Welcome to our new friends, GTAC! The Apostolic Church is a denomination that came from the Pentecostal movement. This term "Apostolic" defines this denomination whose teaching follows those of the 12 apostles who followed Christ.

Apostolic Pentecostal is a church based on the Christian Bible that believes members should lead lives that follow explicit passages and principles from the Bible. Members of this church follow the Scriptures, and their set of beliefs includes a fundamental doctrine for full salvation from sin.

## Mrs. Schall's Class — Volunteers needed Tuesdays in May, 1-2 P.M.

Four helpers are needed every Tuesday, for the month of May. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Sanctuary. Your time is greatly appreciated!



## Small Group Fellowship (Pastor's Office) Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>30</sup> P.M.

Join us for Bible study, fellowship, prayer, and treats.



## First Sunday FISH Collection, June 4<sup>th</sup>

The FISH pantry is still in need of Hamburger Helper, crackers, spaghetti pasta and sauce, large jars of peanut butter, jelly, boxed potatoes, baked beans, cereal, canned corn, and green beans. Your donations do make a difference. Thank you for supporting this cause.

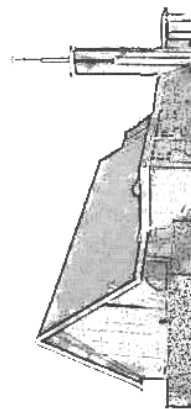


## Bulletin and Spire Announcements

Please have your events and details in writing to the office by the 15<sup>th</sup> for Spire announcements, and for the bulletin, by noon on the Wednesday, before you want it to be published.



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