

# ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

235 South Main Street, Woodstock, VA 22664 Office: (540) 459-3643

Sunday School: 9:45 A.M. Worship: 11:00 A.M.

# TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 1, 2021

Rev. Anne Findlay-Chamberlain, Minister

## Come, Grow, Serve

PRELUDE "Simple Gifts" Tonioli

(During the prelude, let us be in silence preparing our hearts for worship.)

#### SILENT PRAYER FOR MEDITATION

"Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:1 Take a few moments to prayerfully read the passage above, noting the word or phrase that grabs your attention. Finish with this prayer, "Holy God, three persons in one, give me the humility, gentleness and patience to live in unity and peace with those which whom I differ. Amen."

#### **WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have come together as one.

All: One people, gathered in the name of the one God.

One: We will worship together as one.

All: One community, giving praise and honor to the Righteous One.

One: We are being empowered as one by One.

All: One body and one Spirit, called to the hope of one calling,

One: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

All: One God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in all.

One: Now, in the name of the Three-in-One, we act as one.

All: One people, giving witness to the power of One.

**OPENING MUSIC** (Sing 1st verse)

"They Will Know We Are Christians"

https://youtu.be/G3UAneLvDqY

#### \* CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of unity and love, place within each of us, a spirit of hope and community.

Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility.

Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness.

Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love.

Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see.

In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

#### \* WORDS OF ASSURANCE

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates that the congregation stands

\* GLORIA PATRI #734

TIME FOR CHILDREN "Team Work"

**ANTHEM** "Lord | Want to Be a Christian"

"Down in the River to Pray"

"Give Me Jesus" Spirituals by Wells

SCRIPTURE Ephesians 4:1-16 read by Linda Sheetz

SERMON "We Are.."

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle's Creed (inside front Hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" and "debtors")

\*DOXOLOGY #34

\*OFFERING DEDICATION

**CLOSING MUSIC** (1st verse) "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" https://youtu.be/N AYrlHRm5c

\*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Grace Alone" Brown and Nelson

Pianist: Patty Snarr

Music Director: Mary Catlett

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAYS/PRAYER LIST

<u>WELCOME</u> to worship at St. Paul's! Today, as you examine your life in the light of God's Word, be encouraged to stand strong in your faith, and follow the path of Christ each day.

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF SAINT PAUL'S UCC, Woodstock VA is to recognize God as our Father, friend to all, and with his help teach the Bible as God's inspired word; to promote and encourage Christianity as the centerpiece in the lives of individuals, families, and the world community.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are dedicated to all the students returning to school this week! God bless them and Keep Them Safe!! We would like to add prayers also for Gabi Fream as she returns to WVU. She was on the President's List for last semester! So Proud! given by Bill and Janet Sibert

#### **REMINDERS:**

August 7 – 8:15 a.m. Men's Breakfast at the Brewhouse

8 – Covid-19 Memorial Sunday

12 – Consistory Meeting

16 – Worship and Music Meeting

17 – Senior Choir Practice

<u>AUGUST 8</u> worship will include a litany of remembrance of some of the losses and the blessings we have experienced in the past 16 months due to the COVID19 Pandemic. In preparation, please send the church office a word, name, or phrase of a loss you want to acknowledge (for example, "My friend died." "My senior prom was canceled.") and / or a blessing you want to acknowledge (for example, "I learned how to bake bread." "I got to spend more time with my children.").

These will be used to create the liturgy to be used in worship that morning. Please send your word, name, or phrase to the church office by Thursday, August 5, 2021.

#### **BIRTHDAYS** for this week:

#### **ANNIVERSARY for this week:**

August 2 – Gabi Fream 4 – Dennis & Stephanie Dysart

3 – Abbe Kennedy

4 - April and Kyrsten Alkire

5 - Jackson Cooper

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# **PRAYERS and CARDS**

Melissa Andrews Trudy Knode Donna Babcock Nora Long Margie Cook Cheri May

Martin Cullers Spencer McIntosh Carol Czarneski Jessie Payne

Dr. Jerry Germroth The family of Craig Rich

Randy and Valorie Hockman

Wes Irvin

Jake Johnson

Daniel Rohne Kasten

Linda Sheetz

Craig Smith

Jack Sullivan

Pete Wright

Victims of the collapse in Surfside, FL Prayers for peace and unity

