

A low-angle photograph of the steeple of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church. The steeple is white with a brick base and a cross on top. The sky is blue with white clouds. The church's facade, featuring a portico with white columns, is visible at the bottom of the image.

SAINT PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 5, 2019

Second Sunday after Easter

... because you are young

Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks

The mission of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church is to be a faithful community of disciples who serve as the heart, hands and feet of Christ so that all people come to know the love of God.

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please see our ushers for large print hymnals and bulletins.
We, also, have hearing loops for hearing aids with t-coil technology.

Prelude

This Joyful Eastertide

setting by M. Burkhardt

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

We are God's work of art--each one of us a precious gem, a marvelous melody, a potter's delight.

We are God's handiwork--woven together in love, shaped with infinite compassion, painted with incredible beauty.

We are the church of Jesus Christ--diverse in human qualities, but united in our call to love God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and our neighbor as our self.

We are the Body of Christ--living in his truth, sharing his peace, carrying his hope, embodying his love, in the world he loved so much.

Together let us worship the living God.

We open ourselves to God, who makes all things new.

* **Opening Hymn**

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

UMH 117

Service of Confirmation

Confirmands: Julia Ferris, Ani Hatfield, Onyinye Okoli, and Nathan Reed

8:30 a.m. response:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life, and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ.

We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness,

that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others.

We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

11:00 a.m. response:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life, and include these persons now before you in your care?

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.

As members together with you in the body of Christ

and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church,

we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church

by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

* **Affirmation of Faith**
Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada UMH 883

* **Gloria Patri**

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Anthem *In Remembrance of Me* B. Red

Children's Chat

Scripture 1 Timothy 4:11-16 New Testament pg. 209

Sermon . . . *because you are young*
Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks

Offering *Sonata in F major: Vivace* G.F. Telemann
Ani Hatfield, flute

Doxology

Sacrament of Holy Communion

* **Closing Hymn** *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593

* **Benediction**

Postlude *Lift High the Cross* setting by L. Schackley

Please join us in Sanders Hall after the 11:00 a.m. service for a reception to celebrate our confirmands.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Morgan Holmes' 18th birthday and Jill Merryday's birthday, both on May 2, and Morgan's upcoming graduation!

Saint Paul's is considering becoming a Reconciling Church. Don't know what that means? Then join us to discuss what radical inclusion looks like and how we can meet the goal that our congregation puts forward to be an inclusive church. We will have two Wednesday night educational/discussion sessions on May 15 and 22 from 6:15 - 7:30. Please join us as we understand how better to welcome all people to our Church. You can also check out <https://rmnetwork.org/> for some additional information. And if your Sunday School class or committee would like to learn more please let Ian Collins, Cassie Griesheimer, or Barbara Block know.

Around Saint Paul's

MUSIC AT SAINT PAUL'S

Preschool and Toddler Music Groups will meet Wednesday, May 8, 5:30-5:55 p.m. in Rooms 325/326. We will continue meeting regularly through the month of June, will take a break in July, and resume meeting August.

SPARKS Choir continues to meet through the month of May on Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-5:15 in the Choir Room, and we'll sing/play in worship on June 2.

Youth Choir meets this afternoon at 4:30. We're planning to sing again in worship for the May 19 Graduate Recognition Service. Remember to encourage friends and family to participate in our Texas Roadhouse Drive Thru Dinner. We'll take orders until May 7, and pick-up will be May 16.

Handbell Choir rehearses this afternoon at 6:00. We're scheduled to play May 19.

PLEASE NOTE - Effective May 1, the Sanders Hall kitchen will be locked except on Sunday mornings. To use, please contact Stephanie Corry in the church office to get on the church calendar and check out a key.

DRIVE-THRU DINNER NIGHT IN SUPPORT OF OUR YOUTH CHOIR AND DANCE MINISTRY

- The Youth Choir and Sacred Dancers greatly appreciate your help in defraying costs of attending Music Camp in June by participating in our Texas Roadhouse Drive-Thru Dinner Night. You may purchase meals which feed a family of 3-4 for \$32.00 from any Music Camp family. Our deadline to place orders is May 7. Please see any Youth Choir or Dancer Ministry family for order forms. Meals contain: 1 lb. Pulled Pork, 1.5 lb. all-white chicken breast, 24 oz. green beans, 24 oz. corn, one dozen rolls with honey cinnamon butter, and a coupon for an appetizer for your next visit. Pick-up will be Thursday, May 16, between 4:00 and 6:00 p.m. from the driveway next to Sanders Hall.

GATHERING TO PRAY - God is still answering prayer as we gather in His name. We invite everyone to join us to pray together for the concerns you share with us on the PRAYER REQUESTS cards in the pew, (please place them in the offering plates), or via email, david@saintpaulsumc.org, Wednesdays, 8:00 - 8:30 a.m. in the church office. God is with us!

SUPPORTING OUR SISTER CHURCHES WITH A DELIGHTFUL DINNER AND DIVINE DEALS!

You can support our sister churches *and* have a fun night out by attending our International Missions Dinner & Auction Wednesday, May 8. The fun begins with a silent auction from 5:00 until 6:30 p.m. Carry-out meals will be available 5:15 - 6:15. The seated, mouth-watering Caribbean-style chicken dinner (with chips and salsa, black beans and yellow rice, salad, coconut bread pudding, and beverages) will be served from 6:00 until 6:45. **TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO PURCHASE TICKETS!** \$12 for adults and \$5 for children under 12, with a \$36 family max. Tickets are available on-line and in the breezeway before and after Sunday School. The live auction begins at 6:45. Just a few things offered in the silent and live auctions: a 3-course authentic Cuban dinner for 8, children's parties, works by award-winning local artists, a fishing trip, room-painting services, - more than fifty great items to please the young, the not-so-young, and everyone in-between! Free childcare for wee ones. All proceeds from the evening will support ministries at our sister churches in Soisson, Haiti, and Yaguaramas, Cuba.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN RUTH CIRCLE

- The Ruth Circle will meet Tuesday, May 14, at 11:00 a.m. Our program for the month will be our annual May Luncheon. Bring a salad or dessert to share and join us for a time of good food and fellowship. Remember we are collecting "Thinking of You" cards to give to the residents at Miracle Hill Nursing Home. If you would like to sign the cards you can write a little note and then sign it "Ruth Circle, Saint Paul's United Methodist Church". For more information contact Peggy Harter, 878-1343.

Around Saint Paul's

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

Dinner in Sanders Hall - 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Reservations due by midnight Monday by calling 385-5146 or online at saintpaulsumc.org. \$7 adults, \$3 ages 4 - 12.
May 8: International Dinner

PACESETTERS FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON - Save the Date! Thursday, May 16 at 11:30 a.m. with Reverend Dr. Latricia Scriven speaking on FAMU Wesley. This will be our last luncheon before the summer break, so don't miss it!

SOUL FOOD NEEDS - Our homeless neighbors at Lake Ella have requested disposable razors, small (hotel size) soaps and/or travel size shaving cream. Please place items in the Soul Food bin in room 308. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

EXTREME HOSPITALITY - Please consider joining our Greeters Ministry as we make a greater effort for a warm reception to our 8:30 and 11:00 services. All that is required is to arrive 15 minutes early for worship, stand outside near one of the entrances, and offer a yellow gift bag with a smile to visitors. Please email peggy@saintpaulsumc.org with your interest, thank you!

REBUILD THE MOSAIC GARDEN - May 18, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Now that the water intrusion project is coming to an end, we are excited to rebuild our garden and get growing! We need LOTS of helping hands to move the concrete blocks, dirt and plants from the adjacent lot onto a trailer and back into place, and many hands make quick work. All the vegetables we grow are donated to Manna on Meridian, so your time is for a good cause. Snacks and coffee will be provided, so please bring your muscles, gloves, wheelbarrows, shovels, and a friend! Contact Cara at Cares4Creation@gmail.com with questions.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTER NOW ONLINE

CHRISTMAS IN JULY ~ Love Came Down
July 15 - 19 and July 21 is VBS Sunday.

Adult and youth volunteers are requested to sign up online too.

This Week at Saint Paul's

Monday, May 6

10:00am Congregational Care/310

Tuesday, May 7

9:30 am Mommy & Me/200

10:00am Creation Care T-Shirt Bags/302

6:15 pm Covenant Chancel Choir/CR

7:30 pm Se'lah/CR

Wednesday, May 8

8:00 am Prayer Group/WR

4:15 pm SPARKS Choir/CR

Wednesday, May 8 cont.

5:30 pm International Dinner/SH

5:30 pm Preschool Music/325/326

6:30 pm Knitting & Crocheters/311

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study/310

Thursday, May 9

9:30 am MOPS Leadership/300/N

Friday, May 10

Church Office Closed

9:00 am Alzheimer's Respite/200/202/204



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WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Nurseries for ages infant to five years are located in the lower level of the sanctuary building. One of our friendly ushers can give directions to restrooms.

AIDS FOR THE VISUALLY AND HEARING IMPAIRED

Are available from our ushers. Kindly return the large-print hymnal at the end of worship. We, also, have hearing loops for hearing aids with t-coil technology.

NAME TAGS

Name tags help us get to know one another better. They are located in the narthexes. If you need a name tag, please indicate on the attendance pad so we can make one for you. Please wear your name tag each week during worship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

A wide variety of adult Sunday School classes and age-appropriate classes for children and youth are offered at 9:45. For details, visit the information table in Sanders Hall or call our office.

INTERESTED IN JOINING SAINT PAUL'S?

If you are interested in becoming a member of Saint Paul's, please indicate so on the attendance pad. We will set a date for you to be received with joy!

Financial Snapshot				
Expenses to date:	\$303,645.00	Average weekly expenses (2018): \$18,269.00		
Income to date:	\$287,470.00			
Actual Income:	April 7	April 14	April 21	April 28
	\$38,040.00	\$9,347.00	\$20,105.00	\$10,519.00
April 28 attendance: 8:30: 90 11:00: 237 Sunday School: 163				

We encourage you to give on-line - No wallet required! It's fast, safe, and secure. Use your phone's camera and hover over the image - to go directly to the webpage for online giving.



Saint Paul's Staff

Rev. Dr. Kandace Brooks, Senior Pastor
Rev. David Gill, Pastor of Congregational Care

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