



*St. Paul's United Methodist Church*



*Third Sunday after Epiphany*

*January 24th, 2016*

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## *Gathering in Praise and Prayer as God's People*

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Welcome, Announcements, and Invocation  
Prelude

Rev. Kris Tate and Nancy Bryce

\*Call to Worship *(Taken from Psalm 22)* Don Lehman  
Leader: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?

**People: O God, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but find no rest.**

Leader: But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid!

**People: For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.**

Leader: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

**People: For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.**

\*Hymns of Praise

FWS 2087

*We Will Glorify the King of Kings*

UMH 462

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed) UMH 881 Don Lehman

Leader: Let us join together in professing our faith as found in the Apostles' Creed which unites us with Christians and Christian churches around the world.

**People: We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick  
and the dead.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Rev. Tate

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Children's Moment & Invitation: All children 6 and under are invited to come forward, then follow Ms. Sunshine to the Children's Area to participate in our children's programming.

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## *Giving in Response to God's Love*

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Offertory

\*Doxology—UMH 95

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**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.**

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## *Hearing God's Word*

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Witness in Music

Scripture Reading      Psalm 22:2, John 15:7, and Luke 22:42      Rev. Tate  
Message      *Why?* Sermon Series: *Why do my prayers go unanswered?*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship      Rev. Tate

\*Hymn of Invitation

UMH 454

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

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## *Going Forth as God's People*

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**“Our mission at St. Paul's United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by connecting, serving, and sharing in love.”**

\*Benediction

Rev. Tate

\*Sending Forth Hymn

FWS 2162

*Grace Alone; v. 1 only*

Postlude

Next week in our *Why?* Sermon Series we will be looking at:  
***Why is God's will so elusive?***

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## *Known Prayer Concerns*

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### **Immediate**

Doug Birchfield  
Joseph Hohmann  
Nancy Walker  
Carolyn & Ike Haywood  
Shelly Abrams  
Steve Johnson  
Jim Neal

### **Ongoing:**

Patty McKelvey  
Ed Arens  
Tammy Brower  
Barbara Buchanan  
Dee Ball  
Jim Sheets  
Katy Robertson

Jeane Boydston

Alice Cook  
Myrtie Rice  
Claudia Crow  
Laura Burchett  
Carl Abrams  
Mack Harris  
Cathei Nichols

Roberta Kelly

Louis Kraph  
Aaron McCoy  
Maurene Hudson  
Jennifer Jones  
Cindy Alavi  
Mike Patten  
Leon & Leona Rogers

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## *Calendar of Events*

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### **Sunday, January 24th**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship Service

### **Monday, January 25th**

10:00 am MOST Group

### **Tuesday, January 26th**

8:30 am Mothers' Day Out  
10am to 11:30am Why Bible Study

### **Wednesday, January 27th**

10:30 am Ladies Study Group  
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers  
7:15 pm Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, January 28th**

8:30 am Mothers' Day Out

### **Sunday, January 31st**

9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45 am Worship Service

### **Monday, February 1st**

10:00 am MOST Group

### **Tuesday, February 2nd**

8:30 am Mothers' Day Out  
10am to 11:30am Why Bible Study

### **Wednesday, February 3rd**

10:30 am Ladies Study Group  
6:00 pm Chancel Ringers  
7:15 pm Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, February 4th**

8:30 am Mothers' Day Out

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### *Today's Leaders*

In the Pulpit  
Director of Music Ministries  
Chancel Ringers Director  
Pianist/Organist  
Liturgist  
Mothers' Day Out Director  
Audio Engineer  
Videographer  
Video Bulletin Director  
Ministers

Rev. Kris Tate  
Brent Houston  
Sharon Reese  
Trish Lenora  
Don Lehman  
Patty McKelvey  
Chris Kelly  
Allen Bryce  
Tim Beck  
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