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St. Paul United Methodist Church
is a fellowship of believers
UNITED by god's love,
GUIDED by god's word,
EMPOWERED by god's grace, and
COMMITTED to sharing our faith in
Jesus Christ with everyone.



REMEMBER IN PRAYER



Remember in Prayer: Jadrian Atkins, Shannon Ball, Roy Batchelor, Geneva Berry, Gail & Wilson Bethard, Danny Bird, Maya Britt, J.T. Brooks, Lil Bryant, William Byrd, Anna Bush, Linda Butt, Jackie Campbell, Lindsey Cardwell, Stan Carpenter, Brittany Carter, Lindsey Crigger, Sherry Corvin, Granger Davis, Regan Davis, Keith Dossett, Terry Earheart, Kenny & Sandy Ervin, George & Clara Farthing, Alfred Grace, Anisa Hall, Jennifer Hart, Buster Hounshell, Janet Jones, Al Kanner, Karen Karnei, Diana Kegley, Carolyn & Michael Melton, Mary Midkiff, C.D. Moore, Dave Moore, George “Bud” Porter, Carol Ray, William Reagan, Misty Catron Rogers, Kathy Sherowsky, Jack Singleton, Lilly Spondike, Sharon Sowers, Lib Stanley, Cathy Stanley, David Starke, Cathy Stewart, Luke Taylor, Mary E. Turpin, Liz Udell, Patsye Underwood, Bob Walker, Shirley Waller, Betty Wolford, Mary Jane Wysor, Steve Young.

WELCOME – PASTOR GRACIE & SEAN



Greetings in Christ's love, St. Paul UMC!
I am so excited to be joining you in ministry here in Wytheville! My husband, Sean, our cat, Dunkin', and I are settling into the parsonage and cannot wait to get to know you all. A bit about me, I was born and raised in Chattanooga, TN. After graduating from Carson-Newman University, I attended seminary at Candler School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia before returning to Tennessee. I am a lifelong United Methodist and native of Holston, serving since May of 2020 and I was ordained an Elder in Full connection in June of 2025.

I am very passionate about helping cultivate church spaces to be loving, welcoming, and safe for all people. I love singing, watching musicals, and all kinds of movies! You will probably spot Sean and I walking a lot in the neighborhood because we love being outdoors! I am so thankful and humbled to be able to serve alongside each of you in this new year of ministry. I am praying for all of you and I take comfort in knowing that God is doing, and will continue to do, new & beautiful things in this season at St. Paul.

"And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also, he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Revelation 21:5
Grace and Peace, Reverend Gracie Gray

				June Newsletter					
WERE YOU THERE? DID YOU SHARE?						Nov			NEEDED
						through	YTD as of	2026 ANNUAL	THROUGH
	24-May	31-May	May YTD*	07-Jun	14-Jun	14-Jun	14-Jun	PLAN	EOY
Attendance									
Sunday School	26	12		9	8				
SonLight Worship	101	115		96	90				
Traditional Worship	60	75		60	70				
Total Worship Attendance	161			156	168				
Ministry Plan Offering Received	\$ 2,966	\$ 5,357		\$ 16,732	\$ 3,037				
			\$187,651.00			\$ 19,769	\$ 222,129.00	\$ 450,363	\$ 228,234.00

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Request form from church office 276-228-5539
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Available in app store



SYMPATHY

Our sympathy and Christian love go to Mark & Heather Mabry, Kevin & Susanna Wood, Jenny Mabry, grandchildren and Betsy Trevillan in the death of Raymond Mabry on Tuesday, June 16, 2026.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Belle Neighbors:
Undesignated: John & Linda Philips, Teresa Matthews, Bill & Farron Smith, Keith & Beth Cochran, Marion & Martha Simmers, Amy Moberly, Tony & Barbara Rudolph

General Endowment: Johnny & Sarah Beamer

Music: Curt & Jackie Campbell, G. W. & Gail Catron, Tom & Betsy Ely, Virginia Whitaker

Preschool: Rose Stark

Youth: Patty Singleton

In Memory of Elizabeth Dalton Largen:
Music: G.W. & Gail Catron

THANK YOU!

Dear St. Paul Family,
You have been wonderful and I appreciated it all! Saying Happy Birthday to me on line was such a surprise and it gave me a much-needed lift since it was just a few days after my surgery.

I received phone calls, cards, visits and all kinds of delicious food. Jack was so grateful for it all. We felt your love and Christian friendship! Thank you for being so caring!!
God bless you,
Clayta Bryant

CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations! Will Layman & Lauren Nystrom were married on Saturday, May 30th in Bedford, VA

Parents: Mike & Chris Layman Grandmother: Mary Beth Rodgers

We pray that God will bless your marriage and guide you in your new journey together.

JOSH TOMIAK – MY WAY MUSIC



Dear SPUMC Friends,

Thank you for supporting me and my music all these years. This semester I was blessed with the opportunity to produce my first full length album – “My Way” – and I hope you will take a listen and let me know what you think. It released May 15th! You can scan the QR code and listen, or just look up “My Way” by “jtom” on any streaming service. Appreciate my Church family very much!

God Bless, Josh Tomiak

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Dear Church Family,

We are excited to share our mission trip. It was filled with opportunities to serve, learn, and witness God’s love in action. Our students jumped right into ministry and made a meaningful impact in the community.



Monday, June 15th – Christian Service Center, organize clothing donations for individuals and families in need.

Partnered with the Sharing Center, organize cooling kits that will be distributed to vulnerable individuals during the hot Florida summer months.

We helped serve lunch to members of Orlando’s unhoused community.

Tuesday, June 16th – SALT, an organization that provides laundry and shower services to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Students prepared insect repellent bottles, organized clothing donations and sorted eyeglass donations.

Second Harvest Food Bank, students joined volunteers in an assembly-line operation, helping pack nutritious food packs that will be distributed to individuals facing food insecurity.

Christian Service Center the students helped serve dinner to more than 200 individuals.

Wednesday, June 17th – One Heart for Women & Children students helped prepare fresh produce for distribution to families in need.

Together with volunteers and staff, our group assisted in distributing an astonishing 32,000 pounds of food to neighbors facing food insecurity.

Hope Center students stocked shelves and organized inventory in the food pantry. The Hope Center gives “Hope Dollars” individuals are allowed to select fresh foods and grocery items to best fit their family’s needs.

Students enjoyed a surprise evening outing at Disney Springs, with dinner at Planet Hollywood.



Thursday, June 18th – Students spend a fun filled day at Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure.

As we wrap up this mission trip, we are thankful for your prayers, encouragement, and support. Your investment in these students has allowed them to experience what it means to serve others, grow in their faith, and be the hands and feet of Christ. They have already started discussing ways we can continue this work in our own community.

With gratitude
Shane & Karla

Photos: <https://join.photocircleapp.com/JKS5AY1CT3>

SAVE THE DATE – WELCOME PICNIC – JULY 12TH



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – AUGUST 7 & 8TH

Mark your calendars for our VBS with Wytheville Presbyterian Church. The dates are August 7 & 8.

Friday night we will have an open house where families can come register their kids for VBS and enjoy some other activities for the family. Drop by anytime between 6 – 8:00 pm.

Saturday we will have VBS for kids. It starts at 9:00 am and pickup at 3:00 pm (Pre-K & K will be picked up after their lunch).

This will be an exciting few days and we hope parents can drop off their kids to be loved on while you go grab brunch or run some errands for the week.

Thank, Shane Sledd

LIONS CLUB CARNIVAL – TUESDAY, JULY 14TH – SATURDAY, JULY 18TH



Where: WCC – ball fields 1000 E Main Street
Time: 6:00 to 10:00 pm
Ride ticket sales begin nightly at 6:30.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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JULY 3RD, 4TH & 5TH CELEBRATIONS – RR LAKE & DOWNTOWN WYTHEVILLE

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