

## OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. PAUL THIS WEEK

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### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

10:30 AM Monday Servants

NO Chair Yoga

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY--OFFICE CLOSED

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

3:00 PM Staff

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## CONCERNS

**In the Hospital:** Ruth Gmyrek

**Recovering:** Chris Heldreth, Tricia Glidewell, Keith Jones (Janice Salter's BIL), Christine Windsor (Marcie's DIL), Billie NeSmith, Marcie Windsor, Terrell Hartman

**Testing/Health Issues:** Stephanie Long (Julie Palmer's sister), Phil & Mary Mahoney, Fred & Sue Elam, Carol Godfrey, Launi (Carol Pruess' niece), Stevie Brantley, Jeannine Hartman, Mary Helen Setser, Ed Jackson

**Cancer Patients:** Clay Allen (Nancy Allen's son), Chet Birch (Mary Helen Setser's brother), Ken Haile, Sumitra Marcano (Dorothy McCracken's stepdaughter), Barbara Regenstein (Susan McMillin's sister), Avita Rivera (Alison Rivera's mother-in-law), Scott Setser (Mary Helen's son)

**Prayers for our world:** Thom & Natalia Freeman (Peggy Pool's bro. & SIL)

**At Home/Long-term care:** Sharon Little (Susan McMillin's cousin), Marilyn Parker (Jeannine Hartman's sister), Bill Patrick (Ruth Gmyrek's BIL)

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Rejoice

Rejoice in the  
Lord always. I  
will say it again:  
Rejoice!

*Philippians 4:4, NIV*

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# Order of Worship

First Sunday after Christmas

December 28, 2025

11:00 AM

The Chiming of the Hour

\*Gathering Music      *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*      UMH 251

Welcome, Announcements, & Prayer

Kathy LimSang

Scripture      *Luke 2:15-21*      Kathy

\*Hymn      *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*      UMH 224

\*Apostle's Creed

I 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.

I 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.

\*Gloria Patri

\*Music      *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*      UMH 611  
                 *O Come, All Ye Faithful*      UMH 234

Pastoral Prayer      Rev. Shelia Preacher

The Lord's Prayer      Shelia

Offertory      *Sweet Little Jesus Boy*

\*Doxology      UMH 95

Scripture      *Galatians 4:4-7*      Shelia

The Word      *Known, Named, Claimed*      Shelia

\*The Hymn of Invitation      UMH 196 St 1

*Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*

Benediction      Shelia

\*Sending Forth      *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus*      UMH 196 St 2

\*Congregation, please stand if you are able.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December Mission Focus: Wellroot Family Ministries (formerly UM Children's Home).** Give through St. Paul UMC with *Wellroot* in the memo line.

**Open Door Bible Study:** Join us Sundays at 9:45 AM in Room 206 as we explore *6 Decisions that will Change Your Life* by Tom Berlin. This offers a structured approach to discerning key decisions in one's walk with Christ.

**Staff Christmas Gifts:** We have an awesome church staff! We would like to show our appreciation for all their efforts this Christmas. Contribute through SPUMC with "Staff Gifts" in the memo line.

**New Address:** Tricia Glidewell  
Montclair  
2100 Clairmont Lake #215  
Decatur, GA 30033



The **Altar Flowers** today are given by *Fred and Sue Elam*, in celebration of their wedding anniversary



When our hearts are centered on God, we've already struck it rich!  
"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 6:21  
Let's give thoughtfully and faithfully.

**Average Weekly Needs: \$4,715.40**

**Received Last Week: \$3,620.00**

Please submit 2025 contributions by Wednesday, December 31 to be counted as 2025 donations



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