

WORSHIP AT 9 AM

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SONG OF PREPARATION		Oldet Ibo, Accompanist
INTROIT	<i>Comfort Ye</i>	Robert Sherman, Soloist
WELCOME		Brooke Ward, Liturgist
GREETING	<i>Oh How He Loves You and Me</i>	
ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING - ISAIAH 7:10-14		
*HYMN	<i>Come Thou Long Expected Jesus</i>	No. 196
	<i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i>	No. 211
MESSAGE	Emmanuel	
	Dr. Don Pratt	
	Matthew 1:22-24	
*HYMN	<i>Emmanuel, Emmanuel</i>	No. 204
WELCOMING NEW MEMBER		
PRAYER WITH LORD'S PRAYER		No. 895
APOSTLES' CREED		No. 881
OFFERING	<i>Every Valley Shall Be Exalted</i>	Robert Sherman
*DOXOLOGY	<i>Praise God From Whom...</i>	No. 94
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING		
*HYMN	<i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed</i>	No. 203
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		

9 AM Worship Leader - Dr. Robert Williams
11 AM Worship Leader - Alison Van Duyne
11 AM Liturgist - Felix Koutsourais

11 AM BAPTISM
Giovanni Jenkins

11 AM SET LIST

Joy to the World/Joy of the Lord, The First Noel, O Come All Ye Faithful (His Name Shall Be), O Come, O Come Emmanuel



The Wiggly Room for nursing mothers and others with children is on the right side of the lobby.

VISITING US TODAY?

Stop by the Connection Center at the back of the worship center! You can also visit our website: stpaulumc.org or join our mailing list to keep up to date on St. Paul UMC.



FILL OUT A CONNECT CARD

Let us know you're worshipping with us and share prayer requests or other needs: stpaulumc.org/connect-card Or scan the QR code on the left.

HOW TO GIVE ONLINE

Visit stpaulumc.org and click the **"Give"** link at the top of the page or scan the QR code on the right.



TUESDAYS TOGETHER POT LUCK

Our monthly churchwide dinner is this Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 5:30 PM. We're having a pot luck! There's no cost this month, just bring a dish to share. This will be our last Tuesday class and Worship Arts of 2025. A new adult study and kids Worship Arts will return January 27, 2026.



PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Parents Night Out is this Saturday, Dec. 6 from 5-9 PM! Parents can take the night off, while kids from 6 months to 5th grade have fun with us! Cost of \$10 per child includes pizza for dinner, snacks, a movie, a bounce house and lots of fun activities. Register [on our website](#) now!

AN EVENING OF SONGS AND STORIES

Everyone is invited to a free Christmas program this Friday, December 5 at 7 PM in the Student Room. Students and other St. Paul members will share music and more at A Very Merry Christmas: An Evening of Songs and Stories. Come enjoy the talents of your St. Paul family!

CHRISTMAS FOR PINELLAS

If you'd like to help us provide toys for kids in our community, take a tag from the tree and bring back an **unwrapped** gift by Dec. 14. Gift cards for Walmart are also welcome. Drop off a gift bag or roll of wrapping paper with your gift. Parents will use these to wrap the gifts for their kids.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We're blessed to be welcoming two new members today!

ELAINE PEPPER
MICHELLE MCKIMMIE

Be sure to say hello and introduce yourself after worship!

CONNECT

FACEBOOK GROUPS

General: [StPaulUMC](#)

Children: [StPaulParentsLounge](#)

Students: [SPUMCParents](#)

KIDS & STUDENTS

See below for social media links and visit our website for [kids](#) and [students](#). Kids are invited to join us in the Treehouse during worship. Breakfast Club meets every first Sunday of the month from 10-11 AM for cereal and conversation. Students worship, play games and more on Sundays from 6-8 PM.

ADULTS

Visit our [website](#) to learn about Adult Studies and Adult Ministries.

SUNDAY STUDIES

10 AM: Homeward Bound - Rm 202

10:15 AM: Friendship - Rm 201

10:30 AM: Inspirations - Rm 212

TUESDAY STUDIES

Light Seekers - 10:30 AM - Rm 201

Christian Habits - 6:30 PM - Worship Center - No meeting this week

HANDICAPABLE WORSHIP

6:30 PM on Wednesdays.

Worship Center and on YouTube
[@stpaulhandi](#)

No in person meeting this week.

Need help connecting?

Email church@stpaulumc.org

Fill out Connect Card

www.stpaulumc.org

Need to contact Dr. Don?
don.p@stpaulumc.org



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PRAYER LIST

Angela & Family	Janis R.	Our leaders
Bonnie & Family	Jordan F.	People of Israel & Gaza
Brittany H.	Judah	People of Ukraine
Bryce	Kathy	Renee K.
Carl J.	Kim & Jack M.	Shannon
Dan	Kimberly T.M.	Sherry N.
Daniel H.	Lawson & Brooke	Stephen B.
Dean P.	Linda S.	Steven M.
Don & Ka'ren	Marc B.	Tina O.
Foster & Fernald	Maureen	Women in crisis
Families	Michael	

WOMEN'S COOKIE EXCHANGE

Women are invited to a Cookie Exchange in the Treehouse/Cafe on Weds., Dec. 10 at 6 PM. Bring a dozen or more baked goods and a take home container if you'd like to be part of the exchange. We'll also be writing Christmas cards for Smile Makers, so even if you don't want to bake, you can join us for a fun way to serve. Beverages, cards and childcare will be provided.

INSPIRATIONS STUDY

The Inspirations Class is beginning a four week video Advent study today. "The Marvel and Miracle of Advent." There's no cost for the study and anyone is welcome to join the class on Sundays in room 212 from 10:30 - 11:30 PM.



A huge thanks to our partner school, Ponce De Leon Elementary, for collecting and donating food for Thanksgiving for Pinellas! What a great way to work together FOR our community!



LAUNDROMAT MINISTRY

Laundromat Ministry Volunteers spend two hours a month at the laundromat greeting people, starting conversations, and showing kindness by paying for laundry loads. If you're interested in being part of this ministry, and sharing God's love with our community, make a note on the [Connect Card](#).

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

The FL Conference has provided a daily advent devotional that you can use to spend some time with God each day during the season of Advent. Find a PDF [on our website](#) or paper copes in the lobby.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Mark your calendar now and plan to join us for special Christmas worship times.

SUNDAY, DEC. 21 AT 9 AM
Christmas Cantata

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24
Candlelight Christmas Eve
4 PM: Band | 6 PM: Choir