

St. Paul United Methodist Church
Order of Service August 16, 11th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS,

Colleen Schulz

***OPENING SONGS:** “Jesus Messiah” “Soul on Fire”

Jubilation!

***PASS THE PEACE:** let us wave and share signs of peace while remaining in place

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE:

Pastor Allen

JOYS, and CONCERNS/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD’S PRAYER:

Pastor Allen

PSALM READING: Psalm133

Bonnie Allers

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Bonnie Allers

When hatred and division separate us, O Lord,

Your love binds us together.

When past quarrels estrange us from one another,

Your love binds us together.

When we feel excluded and left out,

Your love binds us together.

When we seek to keep your love for ourselves,

Your love binds us together.

OPENING PRAYER:

Bonnie Allers

Eternal God, part the veil that blinds us to our unity. When our families hurt and betray us, help us find ways to let go of our pain and work for the healing of all people. When we feel abandoned by those we love, help us trust in the power of forgiveness and seek to bring peace and reconciliation. When our hearts are pierced with anguish, help us reach out to those who can bring us solace and find in the search, grace upon grace, through your loving Spirit. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 45:1-15

Bonnie Allers

OFFERING PRAYER

Pastor Allen

SPECIAL MUSIC: “Good, Good Father”

Jubilation!

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 15:10-28

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NEW TESTAMENT: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

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MESSAGE:

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***CLOSING SONG:** “A New Hallelujah”

Jubilation!

BENEDICTION

Pastor Allen

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***POSTLUDE**