

This Week's Schedule

Today	8:30 a.m.	Praise band practice (sanctuary)
	9:30 a.m.	Worship/communion (sanctuary)
	10:30 a.m.	Snacks/fellowship (Schuldt Dining Hall)
Mon., 7/6	Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.	
	12 p.m.	Pastor Mike at Rotary
	7 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (NE entrance)
Tues., 7/7	Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.	
	9:30 a.m.	Visitation Team (library)
	1:30 p.m.	Mat weaving (Feller Lounge)
Wed., 7/8	Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.	
	9 a.m.	Bulletin submissions due
	7 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous (NE entrance)
Thurs., 7/9	Jennifer's Office Hours - 9 a.m.-12 p.m. & 1-3 p.m.	
	10 a.m.	Pastor Mike in online DCOM meeting
Fri., 7/10	Office Closed & Pastor Mike's Day Off	
	9:30 a.m.	Pastor Mike at Chamber Coffee
Sun., 7/12	8:30 a.m.	Praise band practice (sanctuary)
	9:30 a.m.	Worship (sanctuary)
	10:30 a.m.	Snacks/fellowship (Schuldt Dining Hall)
	10:30 a.m.	UWFaith Executive Board (Schuldt Dining Hall)

Looking Ahead

Tues., 7/14	6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee (Feller Lounge)
Wed., 7/15	5 p.m.	UWFaith Executive Board sets up (Schuldt Dining Hall)
	6 p.m.	UWFaith salad potluck and unit meeting with the shepherdess (SDH)
Fri., 7/17	5 p.m.	Decorating for Vacation Bible School
Thurs., 7/23	7 p.m.	Vacation Bible School closing program - Everyone is welcome! (Schuldt Dining Hall)
Sat., 7/25	8:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast (Schuldt Dining Hall)
Tues., 8/4	6:30 p.m.	Administrative Council (Feller Lounge)

Last Week's Attendance: 52

Welcome!

July 5, 2026

9:30 a.m.



Solomon:

*The Cost
of
Wealth*

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Order of Worship

* Indicates that all who are able are invited to stand in praise of God.

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to God, who is good,

People: whose faithful love lasts forever!

Leader: When we are hungry and thirsty, lost in the wilderness,

People: God satisfies our thirst and fills the hungry with good things.

Leader: God turns deserts into pools of water and thirsty ground into springs.

People: So, let us worship God.



Opening Prayer

***Praise Song** "Forever" See screen.

***The Apostles' Creed** No. 881

A Time of Prayer and The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Hymn "God Bless America" See screen.
2nd verse written by Linda Christensen

Scriptures 1 Kings 3:4-15; 10:23-25

Message "Solomon: The Cost of Wealth"

Offering and *Doxology No. 94

*Offertory Prayer

Holy Communion No. 13

***Hymn** "This Is My Song" No. 437

*Benediction and Postlude



All are welcome for a time of fellowship and snacks in Schuldt Dining Hall (downstairs) following the service. Fellowship is in honor of the United States of America's 250th anniversary and Pastor Mike's 5th anniversary here at St. Paul's UMC.

Staff and Today's Worship Assistants



Pastor: Mike Agnew

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Agnew

Financial Secretary: Sarah Cook

Custodian: Betty Harman

Nursery: unstaffed until fall

N. Greeter: Shelley Lenz

Liturgist: Ervina Scott

Ushers: Kent & Nicci Lundquist, Megan Courtright, Dawn Jensen, and Steph Rochleau

Communion Stewards: Linda Rutter, Gigi Boothby, Curt & Kristal Phillips, and Jim & Peggy Corrington

Fellowship: Bonni Conley, Micki Conley, and Sandy Peters



The altar arrangement is given by Jim and Peggy Corrington in honor of their 49th anniversary, which was July 2nd.

July 12th Worship Assistants

Organist/Pianist: Meribeth Adams **North Greeter:** Amy Stief

Flowers: Darlene Woltman & family **Liturgist:** Bonni Conley
Rich & Andrea Cook **Special Music:** Ava & Meribeth

Ushers: Nicci & Kent Lundquist & three more needed

Sermon: "Jeroboam and Rehoboam: A Kingdom Split" (1 Kings 12:1-17)

Fellowship: Linda & Dave Appleby and Peggy & Jim Corrington

Resources Available for Worship

Welcome! We are glad you're here. Assistive listening devices and children's activity bags are available in the narthex (room at back of sanctuary). Please inquire at the sound booth if you would like to try an assistive listening device. If your child needs a changing table, one is available in the bathroom under the west entrance staircase and in the nursery. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

Nursery Unstaffed Until Fall

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service! The nursery will be unstaffed this summer. If your child needs a break from worship, you may still accompany him/her to the nursery, which is located on the second floor of the education wing in the first classroom closest to the sanctuary. There is a smart TV, in case you want to continue to watch the service.

Volunteers Needed



Funerals: If you are able to assist with funeral dinners in any way, please sign up on the clipboard in the narthex. This clip board will also be available in the office during the week (M-Th.; 9-12 & 1-3). Alternately, you can sign up online at <https://www.cherokeemethodist.com/funeral-signup>. The link can also be found on our website slider.

Vacation Bible School: If you are able to help with Vacation Bible School, please sign up in the narthex, or talk to Heidi Gerstandt. Section leader positions are already filled, so positions would include escorting kids from center to center, helping in the dining hall, and more.



Greeters: Additional volunteers who are willing to greet at the north education entrance on Sundays prior to worship are needed. If you would like to be added to the list of volunteers, please sign up in the narthex, or call the church office. When a greeter is needed, Jeanne Blackstone, Pandora Phipps, or Meribeth Adams will contact you to schedule a date that works best for you.

If you would like to serve as a **liturgist, usher, or fellowship server**, sign-ups are available on the table in the narthex or in the office during the week (M-Th.; 9-12 & 1-3).



VBS Registration

Scan the QR code, or register online at [cherokeemethodist.com/vbs](https://www.cherokeemethodist.com/vbs).

As of July 1st, 46 kids are registered. Registration will be capped at 75 kids, so don't miss out!



Summer Bible Study Update

Both summer Bible studies were canceled due to low numbers. If you paid for a book, you are welcome to keep it. However, if you would like a refund instead, contact the office, and Jennifer can submit a reimbursement request. Stay tuned for new Bible study opportunities in the fall!



With Sympathy & Prayers



Jennifer Ann Elaine Davis Zeimen, 30, of Bailey, Colorado, formerly of Cherokee, passed away on June 19th in a hospice facility in Denver after a 10 year battle with low-grade serous ovarian cancer. Jennifer is the wife of Luke and the daughter of Randy and Laurie Davis.

Teen Time Leader(s) Needed

Craig and Monica Schmidt have been leading the Teen Time (high school youth group) ministry for fifteen years now! While they deeply value and enjoy this ministry, they feel



the time has come to pass it along to someone else. A big "thank you" to Craig and Monica for their dedication and support of the St. Paul's youth! If you feel that God may be calling you to this ministry, or if you know someone who may be interested, please speak with Pastor Mike or Craig and Monica. Please note that we are open to changes in date, time, format, etc., and that one person or a group of people could lead this ministry. Background checks are required and can be easily and quickly completed by Pastor Mike.

Men's Breakfast



Save the date for Men's Breakfast, which is scheduled for Saturday, July 25th, at 8:30 a.m. All men are welcome, so invite a friend or neighbor, and join us!