Gathering Music
*Be Still and Know*, arr. Mark Hayes
Kelly Truax, Piano

**Prelude**
*Simple Gifts*, arr. Mark Hayes

**Welcome**
Rev. Dr. Sherrie Ilg

**Call to Worship**
*Psalm 93* (CEB)

The Lord rules!
He is robed in majesty—
The Lord is robed,
clothed with strength.
Yes, he set the world
firmly in place;
it won’t be shaken.
Your throne is set firm
for a very long time.
You are eternal!
Lord, the floods have raised up—
the floods have raised
up their voices;
the floods raise up a roar!
But mightier than the
sound of much water,
mightier than the sea’s waves,
mighty on high is the Lord!
Your laws are so faithful.
Holiness decorates your house,
Lord, for all time.

**Peace of Christ**

**Opening Hymn**
*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*
UMH 715
Lori Montgomery, Song Leader

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your
Lord and King adore; mortals,
give thanks and sing, and triumph
evermore. Lift up your heart,

lift up your voice; rejoice;
again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God
of truth and love; when he had
purged our stains, he took his seat
above. Lift up your heart,

lift up your voice; rejoice,
again I say, rejoice.
His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o’er earth and heaven; the keys of earth and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home. We soon shall hear th’archangel’s voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

**Scripture Lesson**  
*Deuteronomy 5:15*

Remember that you were a slave in Egypt, but the Lord your God brought you out of there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. That’s why the Lord your God commands you to keep the Sabbath day.

**Gospel Lesson**  
*Matthew 12:10*

A man with a withered hand was there. Wanting to bring charges against Jesus, they asked, “Does the Law allow a person to heal on the Sabbath?”

**Homily**

**Act of Praise**  
*The Way That We Love*  
Joseph M. Martin  
recording of Sanctuary Choir

The mountains give thanks by reaching for heaven,  
The oceans give thanks when waves clap their hands.  
The trees give Him honor by rising above  
and we show our thanks by the way that we love,  
and we show our thanks in the way that we love.

The stars give their thanks by lighting the night sky.  
The high mountain snows whisper His name.
There’s praise and thanksgiving
in the song of the dove
and we show our thanks
in the way that we love,
and we show our thanks
in the way that we love.

All of creation offer its praises,
Thanking its Maker in glorious art.
But we must choose to give more
than phrases,
Our lives must reflect the thanks in
our heart.

Birds lift their thanks
by singing each morning.
The sun give its light
in the offering of praise.
The angels rejoice
in the heavens above
And we show our thanks,
We show our thanks
in the way that we love,
We show our thanks
in the way that we love.

Pastoral Prayer
Rev. Jonathan Heifner

The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass
against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Love Feast
by John Cenick

Please have a beverage and something to eat if
possible, for participation in this Love Feast.

Be present at our table, Lord;
Be here and everywhere adored;
Thy creatures bless,
and grant that we
May feast in paradise with Thee.
How lovely, Lord, how lovely is your abiding place; 
my soul is longing, fainting, to feast upon your grace. 
The sparrow finds a shelter, a place to build her nest; 
and so your temple calls us within its walls to rest.

In your blest courts to worship, O God, a single day is better than a thousand if I from you should stray.
I’d rather keep the entrance and claim you as my Lord than revel in the riches the ways of sin afford.

A sun and shield forever are you, O god most high; you shower us with blessings no good will you deny.
The saints, your grace receiving, from strength to strength shall go, and from their life shall rivers of blessings overflow.

Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

Sweet Hour of Prayer
arr. Joel Raney

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sabbath sermon series

Jul. 26 - sabbath i
Aug. 02 - sabbath ii
Aug. 09 - sabbath iii

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Parking Lot Prayer, Praise & a Pastor
Mondays in August
7:00 - 7:45 pm

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You may stay in your car and listen through a FM radio signal. You may also sit in front of your car in your own lawn chair with a mask on.

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St. Paul's UMC

College and Career Zoom Hangout

August 5 | 7-8 pm

Questions: Contact Pastor Jonathan (jheifner@stpaulsumc.org)
YOUTH (6th-12th Grades) & FAMILY EVENT

WATER BALLOON NINJA TRIVIA

August 12 | 6:30-7:30 pm
Questions: Becca Nims (rnims@stpaulsumc.org)

YOUTH (6th-12th Grades) & FAMILY EVENT
AUGUST 19TH | 6:30 PM

DINNER ON THE LAWN

Bring your own dinner we will provide dessert
ALL TOGETHER SUNDAY
August 30 | 11:00 am | LIVE

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No 9:00 am or 12:30 pm Facebook LIVE worship, nor 10:00 am Pastries with the Pastor

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Facebook LIVE

Sundays, 12:30 pm
African National Worship

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Pastries*
with the Pastors
ZOOM Gathering

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Pastor Sherrie: silg@stpaulsumc.org
Pastor Jonathan: jheifner@stpaulsumc.org
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