

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 28, 2022

8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 A.M. CHORAL EUCHARIST WITH BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

OPEN DOORS. OPEN HEARTS. OPEN HANDS.

WE WILL WELCOME ALL TO LIVE GOD'S MISSION,

TEACH CHRIST'S LOVE AND TRANSFORM OUR COMMUNITY BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 163 years of service and worship in Wilmington.

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.*

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS at 8:00 AM

Celebrant
The Reverend Michael Singer
Preacher
The Reverend Catherine Powell

Altar Server/Lector
David Tousignant
Greeter/Usher
Ange Green

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The hymns can be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal. Other hymns will be marked accordingly.*

Voluntary	<i>Gabriel's Oboe</i>	Ennio Moriconi
Processional Hymn 616	<i>Hail to the Lord's Anointed</i>	Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity *(said together)*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria	<i>Glory be to God</i>	Cwm Rhondda
Glory be to God in heaven, songs of joy and peace we bring, thankful hearts and voices raising, to creation's Lord we sing: Lord, we bless you, Lord we thank you, glory be to God our King. glory be to God our King.	Lamb of God, who on your shoulders bore the load of this world's sin, only Son of God the Father, you have brought us peace within: Lord have mercy, Christ, have mercy, now your glorious reign begin. now your glorious reign begin.	You, O Son of God, are holy, you we praise with one accord; none in heav'n nor earth is like you, only you are Christ the Lord with the Father, and the Spirit, ever worshipped and adored. ever worshipped and adored.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Jeremiah 2: 4-13

Reader: A Reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 81: 1, 10-16

Exultate Deo

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the LORD your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said,
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice,
and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts,
to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me!
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies
and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him,
and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16

Reader: A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn 628

Help us, O Lord, to learn

St. Ethelwald

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 14: 1, 7-14

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Catherine Powell

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed *(said together)*

BCP358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Invited to the wedding banquet, let us offer prayers for all those in danger and need saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

Intercessor: For our leaders who speak the word of God to us. We pray for Rob our bishop, Michael our presiding bishop, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and the clergy of St. Paul’s. For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Albemarle Deanery. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.
Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For mercy, peace, and justice among all peoples. We pray that wars and rumors of war may cease.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For students and educators, and all those returning to their studies. That they may be protected from all harm, making room for sound learning.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For workers and their organizations, and for those who employ and manage them.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For farmers and abundant fruits of the earth, and all those who during this season are under threat of hurricanes and violent storms.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For the sick and the suffering, those in prison and all who are in distress. For those in our parish who need our prayers, especially *(the intercessor reads aloud the names of those in our parish that need our prayers).*

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For hospitality to strangers, and for married persons and all in unions of love.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead.

Let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Celebrant: Lord you invited the beggars and the crippled, the lame and the blind, to eat and drink at your table and to feast in your kingdom: and lo, here we are. Grant us the grace to extend to others the same generosity you have shown to us; for you are our Lord, our God forever and forever.
Amen.

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People:

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

THE BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Students and educators come forward with their backpacks and bags.

Youth Intercessor:

God of all wisdom and knowledge, pour out your blessing on the schools represented here today, that they may be lively centers for sound learning and new discovery; and grant that those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Priest:

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, as a reminder of our baptism; and as this water is sprinkled on these students and educators, and on their backpacks, may they be strengthened in memory, reason, and skill. And grant that these tags, carried on their backpacks, may remind them of your love and presence throughout the day as they learn.
Amen.

A priest asperges the students, educators, and their belongings and says

Beloved children, God bless, guide, and preserve you in your return to school. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

All:

May Jesus, who calls us each by name to follow him, give you the courage and confidence to be his disciples, wherever you may be, at school, at work, and at home. May the gifts God has given you be a source of blessing for you and for others. Amen.

*Members of the congregation will present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.
If you would like to give electronically, please turn to page 15 for the QR code.*

Presentation Hymn

Doxology

Laast uns freuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

BCP 361

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Land of Rest

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and earth are
full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem S154

Christ our Passover

David Hurd

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God

Malcolm Archer

O Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world
Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, and grant to us your peace

The Communion of the People

Communion stations are available at the altar rail and in the baptistry. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to a priest when you come forward for Communion.

The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns

Communion Hymn 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Franconia

Communion Hymn 432

What wondrous love is this

Wondrous Love

Communion Hymn 653

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Repton

Please stand.

If Eucharistic Visitors are being sent forth today to take the Sacrament to people at home, the following prayer is said after Communion.

Prayer for Eucharistic Visitors

Priest: In the name of God, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer *(said together)*

BCP 365

The people stand or kneel.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Processional Hymn 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Engelberg

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Tube Tune

C.S. Lang

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

Celebrant

The Reverend Michael Singer

Preacher

The Reverend Catherine Powell

Verger

Leon Tillery

Crucifer

Cabe Lee

Hazel Lee

Gospel Book Bearer

Mary Jeffreys Nipper

Altar Server

Jeffrey Hughes

Eucharistic Ministers

Jeffrey Hughes

Carolyn Demorest

Lectors

Kathryn Hedgepeth

David Frederiksen

Intercessor

Phillip Weiss

Ushers

Merrilie Crafts

Dot Erway

Royster Hedgepeth

Kathryn Hedgepeth

Jay Stewart

Greeters

Dawn Wilson

Cynthia Smallwood

Flower Guild

David Frederiksen

Altar Guild

Cheryl Wagoner

Margaret Haughey

Barbara Banks

ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

In our parish

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Fr. John Cawthorne	Lyle Sullivan
Judy Farri	William Murphy
Joe Farri	Jenny DuBois
Alice Calder	Carrie Anderson-Kincaid
Rus Kirk	Dale Curran
Merry Ann Wright	Kathryn Hedgepeth
Larry Wright	JoAnn Summey
David Heath	Barbara O'Rourke
Tom Freeling	Katherine Ramsey
Merrily Leonard	Jamie Cook
Sib Vlahos	

People requesting prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Chervonne Miller
Tammy Tilghman	Kathy Keagy
Sharon O'Rourke Berry	Tom Gonzalez
Richard O'Rourke	Barbara Holland
Major Jennifer Jantzi	Carroll Joines
James Graham	Dr. Everette Cameron
Stacy Neal	James
Bryce Harrelson	Baby Noah Glassman
Michael Justice	Lena & Ryan
Gina Lewis	Shirley Joseph
Carol Findlay	T.J Rouse
Gracie Sage	Tim Harrison
Sherry Herman	Patricia Noble
Greyson Chapman	

About the Prayer List

Included in our prayers are the names of those for whom prayer has been requested by a parishioner or family member. The reason for being listed is kept confidential. All parish prayer requests are listed on the prayer list for one month. The complete list of those in need of our prayer are remembered weekly at our 12:10 pm Wednesday Eucharist with Healing Prayers. If you would like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list please reach out to Fr. Caleb Lee or make a prayer request online at our website, www.spechurch.com.

Hospitalization or Pastoral Issues

Please notify us if you or a family member is hospitalized and/or in need of a pastoral call or visit. Please speak with Fr. Caleb or call the church office at 910-762-4578.

Sharing Holy Communion

If illness prevents you or a loved one from joining us for regularly scheduled services, Fr. Caleb or a Lay Eucharistic Minister can share Holy Communion either in your home or at a health care facility. Please speak to Fr. Caleb or contact the church office at 910-762-4578.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Today, Sunday, August 28
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open
 10:30 am Choral Eucharist & Blessing of the Backpacks
Reception to follow in the parish hall

Monday, August 29

Tuesday, August 30
 7:30 am Early Bird Book Group
 9:00 am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, August 31
 12:10 pm Midday Eucharist

Thursday, September 1
 9:00 am Morning Prayer

Friday, September 2
 8:00 am Mensgroup

Saturday, September 3

Next Sunday, September 4
 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
Breakfast to follow in the parish hall
 9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open
 10:30 am Choral Eucharist
Reception to follow in the parish hall
 11:30 am Tour of St. Paul's

COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S



TAIZÉ
 SERVICE OF PRAYER,
 LIGHT & MUSIC
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022
 5:30 P.M.
 St. Paul's Episcopal Church
 16 N. 16th St., Wilmington, NC
 www.spechurch.com



A Celebration of Gifts:
ST. PAUL'S MINISTRY FAIR
 September 18, 2022
 Following the 10:30 AM Service
 St. Paul's Parish Hall
 Discover how you and your spiritual gifts fit in at St. Paul's!

AGING GRACEfully

A program and conversation for older adults and their families

Sunday's, September 18 - October 23, 2022 | 9:30-10:15am | Parish Hall

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|  <p>Sunday, September 18
 "How we age - what we can expect"
 <i>with Dr. Spencer Weig</i></p> |  <p>Sunday, October 2
 "Living Will and Wills"
 <i>with Michael A. Becker/
 Rountree Losee, LLP</i></p> |  <p>Sunday, October 16
 "Things Done and Left Undone"
 <i>with The Rev'd Michael Singer/
 Associate for Pastoral Care at St. Paul's</i></p> |
|  <p>Sunday, September 25
 "The aging brain & mental health - recognizing pathology & practicing resiliency" <i>with Julie Frederiksen</i></p> |  <p>Sunday, October 9
 "Caring for the Caregiver"
 <i>with more details to follow</i></p> |  <p>Sunday, October 23
 "Liturgies for the dying and funerals in the Episcopal Church" <i>with The Rev'd Caleb J. Lee/Rector at St. Paul's</i></p> |

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILY MINISTRY

Back to School Events

2022

Blessing of the Backpacks

AUGUST 28 DURING THE 10:30AM SERVICE

Meet & Greet Breakfast

SEPTEMBER 11 / 9:30-10:15
SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY UPSTAIRS
EYC IN LIBRARY

First Day of Classes

SEPTEMBER 18 / 9:30-10:15
SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY UPSTAIRS
EYC IN LIBRARY

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT MEAGHAN THOMAS AT [SPECKIDS@SPECHURCH](mailto:speckids@spechurch)



COMMUNITY OF HOPE INTERNATIONAL



The first Adult Formation class of the fall will be an opportunity to learn about Community of Hope International and its possible ministry at St. Paul's Church.

Join us on Sunday, September 11th from 9:30 – 10:15 am in the Parish Hall

Community of Hope International equips lay people to serve in all forms of pastoral care. Pastoral care is when a person is being “present” in a listening, compassionate, non-controlling manner to an individual or group for the purpose of consciously or unconsciously representing God to them and seeking to respond to their spiritual needs.

Through ongoing, spiritual formation and practical lessons on care giving, members learn to match theological insights and spiritual practices with their experiences of ministering to others and giving spiritual guidance.

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



SHARE THE LOVE through the ministry of Hospitality!

Do you love to entertain people in your homes? Do you love to socialize? Do you love to cook? If so, please consider being a part of St. Paul's ministry of hospitality this fall. We are looking for volunteers to share their gifts by being a part of a Sunday morning breakfast crew, a Wednesday mid-day lunch team or a Sunday Reception team. In this day of grab and go items at our local grocers, you don't have to be a Top Chef to be a part of these valuable ministries. Schedules are being formed now, so contact Teresa Singer (teresabsinger@gmail.com or 252.268.1547) for more information or to join one of our hospitality crews this fall.



Fall is just around the corner! With the turn of our calendars to September comes the return of St. Paul's offerings for food and fellowship on Sunday mornings following the 8 am Eucharist and on Wednesdays following our midday Eucharist.

Beginning on Sunday, September 4, our early bird volunteers will provide breakfast and coffee following the 8 am Eucharist. On Wednesdays, beginning September 7, lunch will be offered each Wednesday following the midday Eucharist by our faithful volunteers. All are welcome!

If you have the gift of hospitality, please consider serving in one of these ministries. Contact Teresa Singer at teresabsinger@gmail.com. Be the light!

join our team

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- **Godly Play Assistant Teacher**
 - Working with kids ages 4-7
- **Children of the Good Shepherd Assistant Teacher**
 - Working with kids ages 8-11

DETAILS:

- **Flexible time commitment**
 - Once per month, twice per month, once every two months, etc.
- **Training & orientation provided in curriculum**
- **Learning & wondering together**

For more information contact Meaghan Thomas at 910-232-4707 or speckids@spechurch.com

WE'RE COLLECTING YOUR SUNFLOWER PHOTOS

You will remember you received a prayer card and packet of sunflowers to plant in solidarity with the people of the Ukraine.

The sunflower being the national flower of the Ukraine.

From now, until September 11, we'd like to receive photos of the sunflowers that have grown from the seeds you planted this spring.

Please send your photos to April Cook, our Parish Administrator: admin@spechurch.com

Thank you in advance for your photos.





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MUSIC AT ST. PAUL'S 2022-2023



CHORAL & ORCHESTRAL CONCERTS

- Wed., Nov. 2, 7:30 p.m. Concert for All Souls: "Requiem" by Gabriel Fauré. Choir, soloists & orchestra
- Thurs.-Fri., Dec. 8-9, 7:30 p.m. Handel's "Messiah." Choir, soloists & N.C. Baroque Orchestra (\$15)
- Fri., April 7, 7:30 p.m. Stainer's "Crucifixion." Choir & organ
- Fri., April 28, 7:30 p.m. Bach Cantatas. Choir, soloist & N.C. Baroque Orchestra (\$15)
- Fri., June 2, 7:30 p.m. Cathedral Voices (Psalms and Canticles). Choir & organ
- Fri., June 30, 7:30 p.m. Cathedral Voices (Anthems by British & American composers) Choir & organ



SPECIAL SERVICES

- Sun., Nov. 27, 5:30 p.m. Advent Lessons & Carols
- Wed., Dec. 14, 5:30 p.m. Blue Christmas
- Sun., Dec. 18, 5:30 p.m. Christmas Lessons & Carols

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ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

- Sat., Oct. 15, 7 p.m. Dorothy Papadakos "Phantom of the Opera" Silent Film (\$10)
- Fri., Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m. Carolyn Craig, Organ Scholar Christ Church, New Haven
- Fri., Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m. Jonghee Yoon, East Carolina University
- Fri., Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m. Colin Lynch, Trinity Church, Boston
- Fri., Feb. 10, 7:30 p.m. Nicholas Quardokus, Grace Church Cathedral, Charleston, SC
- Fri., March 10, 7:30 p.m. Patrick Scott, Grace-St. Luke's Episcopal, Memphis, TN
- Fri., April 21, 7:30 p.m. Ronnie Wise, St. Paul's

MIDDAY ADVENT ORGAN RECITAL SERIES + LUNCH

- Fri., Dec. 2, 12:10 p.m. | Sara Bryant
- Fri., Dec. 16, 12:10 p.m. | William Weisser
- Fri., Dec. 23, 12:10 p.m. | Ronnie Wise

WILMINGTON BOYS CHOIR

- Fri., Nov. 11, 7 p.m. Veteran's Day Concert
- Sun., Dec. 11, 5 p.m. Christmas Caroling
- Tues., Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m. Holiday Pops, Dinner & Concert (\$25)
- Tues., Feb. 14, 6:30 p.m. Valentine Serenade, Dinner & Concert (\$25)
- Tues., May 16, 7 p.m. Voices of Spring Concert

Purchase tickets on Eventbrite or at the door
For more details visit www.spechurch.com

ST. PAUL'S WELCOMES YOU

We are glad you are with us today.

If you are new to St. Paul's, please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate or give it to a greeter or an usher. Here are some quick facts that may be helpful.

Welcome: All are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer not to receive, you can remain seated, or come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. If you are allergic to wheat products, gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let your request be known to the priest as you approach the altar rail.

Help: Please see any of our ushers for assistance when you enter the worship area.

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Handicapped Parking: Our facility is handicapped accessible with multiple handicapped parking spaces available in the lot off Market Street and the lot off Princess Street. Handicap ramps serve both parking lots.

Live-Streamed: Our service is live-streamed on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 am Please subscribe to St. Paul's on YouTube to view live-streamed services and concerts.

Masks: All may, none must, some should.

Worship: St. Paul's follows the services outlined in the Book of Common Prayer 1979. The services include Old and New Testament readings, a reading from the Gospel, a sermon and traditional communion.

Children: All children are welcome and encouraged to attend any of our services.

Worship Kits: Bags and boxes are located in the back of the church for different ages to use in the pew, including our children's worship bulletin, *The Sunday Paper*. Please return when church is over.

Nursery: The nursery is open most Sundays from 9:15 am to Noon upstairs in the Children's wing. The nursery is for infants to age 5.

Sunday School: Sunday School will return on Sunday, September 11 from 9:30-10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing for ages 4-11.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): EYC will return on Sunday, September 11 from 9:30-10:15 am in the library for 6th grade and older.

Welcome to St. Paul's!

WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOU HAVE JOINED US TO WORSHIP AND HAVE EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN ST. PAUL'S. PLEASE FILL OUT THIS CARD AND DROP IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR GIVE IT TO ONE OF OUR GREETERS.

DATE:

GREETER:

NAME: MR. MRS. MS.

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