

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 16, 2022

8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 A.M. CHORAL EUCHARIST

*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.*

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

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*Our worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).  
Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.*

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Celebrant and Preacher  
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Altar Server/Lector  
Cheryl Wagoner

Greeter/Usher  
Tom Gerow

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## 10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST RITE II ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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

**Voluntary**

*Largo*

G.F. Handel

**Introit**

*O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord*

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known: Ye princes come, ye people, too, and bow before his throne.

**Processional Hymn 390**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Lobe den Herren

### 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**

*Glory to God*

Mass of St. Thomas

**Moderato** *ff*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

6 *f*

Glo-ry to God in the High - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,

11

Heav'n - ly King, Al migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

16 *f*

praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the

21 *mf*

High-est. Lord, Je - sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa-ther. Lord God,

27  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us;

31  
You are seat-ed at the righthand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

36 *f*  
Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est. For you a-lone are the

41  
Ho-ly one, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high,

46  
Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the Glo-ry of God the

50 *ff*  
Fa-ther. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

### The Collect of the Day

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**Celebrant:** Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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 31: 27-34

**Reader:** A Reading from the book of Jeremiah

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-- a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

- 97 Oh, how I love your law!  
all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies,  
and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers,  
for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders,  
because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way,  
that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments,  
because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste!  
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding;  
therefore I hate every lying way.

**The Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5**

**Reader:** A Reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn 371***Thou, whose almighty word*

Moscow

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 18: 1-8**

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please stand.*

**The Nicene Creed** *(said together)*

**BCP 358**

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** *(adapted from Form 2, Book of Alternative Services, Anglican Church of Canada)*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray with confidence to the Lord, saying, “Lord hear our prayer.”

**Intercessor:** O Lord, guard and direct your Church in the way of unity, service, and praise. We pray for Rob our bishop, Michael our presiding bishop, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and the clergy of St. Paul’s. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Luke’s Episcopal Mission in Currituck. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Give to all nations an awareness of the unity of the human family. We pray especially for peace and stability among the nations of the world.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Cleanse our hearts of prejudice and selfishness, and inspire us to hunger and thirst for what is right.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Teach us to use your creation for your greater praise, that all may share the good things you provide.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Strengthen all who give their energy or skill for the healing of those who are sick in body or in mind.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Set free all who are bound by illness, fear or despair. We pray especially for *(the intercessor reads aloud the names of those in our parish that need our prayers)*. Are there others?

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**Intercessor:** Grant a peaceful end and eternal rest to David Heath, Jazmine Shaw and all who have died; and your comfort to those who mourn.

Let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

### **A Collect for Stewardship** *(prayed together)*

Almighty God, whose nature it is to give freely and generously. Grant us the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **The Confession of Sin**

**BCP 360**

**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.

### **Stewardship Moment**

Anne O'Dell

### **Announcements**

### **Offertory Anthem**

*Teach Me, O Lord*

Thomas Attwood

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes and I will keep it unto the end.

*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 14 for the QR code.*

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 B)

BCP 367

**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.

*The celebrant continues with the preface of the day.*

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*

Mass of St. Thomas

**Moderato** *mf*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,

Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na

in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**All:**                We remember his death,  
                         We proclaim his resurrection,  
                         We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ and make them new and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. 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.*

*Cantor or Choir*

My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

deed, says the Lord. *All* My Lord. *Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my *All*

flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them. My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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

Invitation to Communion

**Agnus Dei** *O Lamb of God* Mass of St. Thomas

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.*

**Communion Anthem** *Thou Knowest Lord the Secrets of Our Hearts* Henry Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not, shut not thy merciful ear unto our prayer; but spare us,  
Lord, most holy, O God. O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Savior, thou most worthy judge  
eternal, suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from thee. Amen.

*The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns*

**Communion Hymn 314** *Humbly I adore thee, verity unseen* Adoro devote

**Communion Hymn 401** *The God of Abraham praise* Leoni

*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	
<b>Priest:</b>	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.
<b>People:</b>	We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

*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 423

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

St. Denio

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

*Linstead “Let Our Talents and Tongues Employ” (Jamaican Hymn)*

arr. John Behnke


SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Gospel Book Bearer</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Flower Guild</b>
The Reverend Michael Singer	Bennett Sanders-Park	Paula Waterfield	Brian Sanders-Park
<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>	Bill Waterfield	Louise Joyner
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee	Carol Field	Dianne Stansbury	<b>Altar Guild</b>
<b>Gospeller</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Shannon Rowe	Cheryl Wagoner
The Reverend Catherine Powell	Carol Field	Dick Rowe	Scotty Galganowicz
<b>Verger</b>	Dot Erway	<b>Greeters</b>	Leon Tillery
Leon Tillery	Chip Carter	Cynthia Smallwood	
<b>Crucifer</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	Jeanne Criscuolo	
Zoe Frederiksen	Sue Sramek		
	David Frederiksen		
	<b>Intercessor</b>		
	Spencer Weig		

A WORD FROM THE RECTOR

On Monday evening, the Vestry elected Brian Buss to fulfill a partial term of a year and half on the vestry. The vestry had many great candidates from which to choose. We are blessed with wonderful leadership all around and we welcome Brian to the vestry. Please read below for an introduction from Brian.

Blessings, Caleb+



My name is Brian Buss. My wife Carmen and I live in Leland, NC and we became members of St. Paul’s Church in August 2021. We had previously been long time members of St. John’s Episcopal Church where I had served as Junior Warden for two terms on the Vestry. I was also a Eucharistic Minister, Head Verger and member of the Choir. I have attended the Diocese of East Carolina Annual Conference on seven occasions and served three years as member and secretary for the Diocesan Standing Committee. I emigrated to the USA in 1989 and became a citizen in a wonderful ceremony at Southport, NC in 2000 the same year that we moved from Raleigh to Wilmington. I am a retired Electrical Engineer having worked for the British Government and the World Bank to assist the developing world with growth of their electrical systems. I am grateful, once again, for the opportunity to bring my experience to the service of God and this time to his house of worship and prayer at St. Paul’s.

## ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

### In our parish

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Fr. John Cawthorne	Lyle Sullivan
Judy Farri	William Murphy
Joe Farri	Carrie Anderson-Kincaid
Alice Calder	Dale Curran
Rus Kirk	JoAnn Summey
Merry Ann Wright	Barbara O'Rourke
Larry Wright	Katherine Ramsey
Tom Freeling	Tom Sramek
Karen DeJarld	Merrily Leonard
Norman LaSalle	Diane Trubia

### People requesting prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Kathy Keagy
Tammy Tilghman	Tom Gonzalez
Sharon O'Rourke Berry	Barbara Holland
Richard O'Rourke	Carroll Joines
Major Jennifer Jantzi	Dr. Everette Cameron
James Graham	James
Stacy Neal	Lena & Ryan
Bryce Harrelson	Shirley Joseph
Michael Justice	Tim Harrison
Gina Lewis	Patricia Noble
Carol Findlay	Susan Richards Frederick
Gracie Sage	Sandy Veale
Sherry Herman	Dennis Traina
Greyson Chapman	Kristen Keen
Thomas Ramey Watson	Rebecca Eagen
Tonya Justice	Liz Duckrow

### For the departed

David Heath  
Jazmine Shaw

### 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](http://www.spechurch.com).

### 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, October 16

### The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

*Breakfast to follow in the parish hall*

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

9:30 am Adult Formation (*parish hall*)

9:30 am Children's Sunday School (*upstairs in children's wing*)

9:30 am Episcopal Youth Community EYC (*library*)

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

*Reception to follow in the parish hall*

3:00 pm Funeral liturgy for David Heath

### Monday, October 17

### Tuesday, October 18

7:30 am Early-Bird Book Group

9:00 am Morning Prayer

6:00 pm Wilmington Boys Choir Rehearsal + Dinner

### Wednesday, October 19

12:10 pm St. Luke the Evangelist Festal Eucharist

*Light lunch to follow in the parish hall*

7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice

### Thursday, October 20

9:00 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am GNP & St. Fiacre Landscape Work Day

11:00 am \* The Rector's Bible Study (*parish hall*)

### Friday, October 21

8:00 am Mensgroup

### Saturday, October 22

9:15 am Guided Autobiography

9:00 am Parish wide workday

### Next Sunday, October 23

8:00 am Holy Eucharist with

*Breakfast to follow in the parish hall*

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

9:30 am Adult Faith Formation (*parish hall*)

9:30 am Children's Sunday School (*upstairs in children's wing*)

9:30 am Episcopal Youth Community EYC (*library*)

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

*Reception to follow in the parish hall*

1:00 pm King Richard's Estate Sale (*parish hall*)

### \*THE RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Join Fr. Lee in the Parish Hall for a look at the upcoming readings from our Sunday lectionary. Bring your lunch, your perspective, and your Bible. Thursday's at 11am in the Parish Hall.

### Hospitalization or Pastoral Issues

Please notify us if you or a family member are 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.

## AGING GRACEfully

A program and conversation for older adults and their families

Sunday, October 23 | 9:30-10:15am | Parish Hall



"Liturgies for the dying and funerals in the Episcopal Church"  
with The Rev'd Caleb J. Lee, Rector at St. Paul's

Father Lee is rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and believes that good liturgy is good pastoral care. He will walk through what you can expect to happen at St. Paul's when a death occurs and also talk about how making choices about your service in advance can be beneficial for both you and your loved ones.

### ST. PAUL'S PARISH WIDE WORKDAY

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 | 9:00AM - 12 NOON**

All are invited to a fall landscape tune-up at St. Paul's. We will also be preparing for King Richard's Estate Sale which will be the next day.

### ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE FESTAL EUCHARIST

**Friday, October 28 | 12:10pm**

Come celebrate the Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude at St. Paul's. All are welcome to come to the altar and receive Christ at communion. Christ is the host of this meal. Light lunch to follow in the parish hall.

### FREE ORGAN RECITAL

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28 | 7:30PM**

Free organ recital series featuring Carolyn Craig. A reception will follow the recital in the parish hall.

### SAINTS IN THE STREET

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 | 3-6PM**

Saints in the Street Block Party is an opportunity for some fun (bounce house, games, music, prizes), fellowship (with some of our neighbors & our St. Paul's family), and, of course, food featuring Off the Hook Barbecue and loads of sides, which we are hoping we can count on you to provide. To keep things simple, think about your last name. If it begins with A-H, we would ask you to bring a large salad. If your last name begins with I-O, we would like for you to bring a large side dish. And last, but certainly not least, P-Z we would love for you to provide desserts. Please remember that we are feeding a crowd, so please consider bringing a hefty dish of whatever you choose to bring in your category. Drinks will be provided.

### BLESSING OF THE COSTUMES

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 | 10:30AM**

Come to church in your costume and come forward for a blessing. We'll also be collecting snacks for Snipes Elementary School.

### ALL SAINTS' DAY FESTAL EUCHARIST

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 | 12:10PM**

A time to remember the saints from the scriptures and the tradition of the church and acknowledge that they are a living part of our faith story.

### COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 12:10PM**

A day of prayer and remembrance for the faithful departed.

### CONCERT FOR ALL SOULS

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 7:30PM**

Fauré's 'Requiem' with the Choir of St. Paul's, featuring Shannon Dooley, soprano; John Dooley, baritone; and Christina Brier, harp.

### VETERANS DAY CONCERT

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 | 7:00PM**

Veterans Day concert with the Wilmington Boys Choir. Join us for a reception afterwards in the parish hall.

### MEAL PACKING EVENT

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 10AM-NOON**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is partnering again with Rise Against Hunger to pack meal kits containing rice, soy, 30 vitamins and minerals, and vegetables for hungry people around the world. We are looking for 75 people to pack meal kits at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Please consider a donation towards our meal packaging goal of 10,152 meals and be sure to register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4faea92ca2fdc70-save>

## ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### "GRATEFUL"

#### A Mini-Retreat on Practicing Gratitude

Led by Mary McKnight

**Saturday, November 12 9:30-11:30am in the Library**

Each Sunday, we pray the ancient litany called the Great Thanksgiving:

"...Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise."

Scripture, the liturgy, and new scientific research suggest that cultivating the habit of thanksgiving can transform our lives. Gratitude maximizes our enjoyment of the goodness of God and neighbor, and helps us recognize the blessings in our own lives. The habit of thanking God for large and small blessings can change the quality of our lives when woven into the fabric of each day.

From a prison cell, Paul writes: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances."

In trying times, how can we get better at recognizing the presence and blessings of God? Researchers say that practicing gratitude in the midst of adversity can increase our sense of well-being and reduce stress. Amazingly, a "simple" thing like being thankful can help protect us from destructive forces such as envy, resentment, greed and bitterness.

You are invited and welcome to bring friends to the Library of St. Paul's on Saturday, Nov 12 from 9:30 until 11:30am. We will explore the rich meaning of gratitude and experience several ways of praying with thanksgiving. In the two hours together, we can taste only a few ways to pray with thanks and to practice gratitude. So, Mary will suggest books that explore how being thankful to God benefits our health and happiness, no matter what is happening in our lives. There will also be a handout of gratitude practices to try at home.

### CONFIRMATION SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S

**Sunday, April 23 at 10:30am Choral Eucharist**

The Right Reverend Robert S. Skirving will be celebrating Holy Eucharist with Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows on *Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the 10:30 Choral Eucharist* at St. Paul's. If you desire to be confirmed, received into the Episcopal Church, reaffirm your baptismal vows, or simply want to know more about the process, please contact Fr. Caleb at [rector@spechurch.com](mailto:rector@spechurch.com) and register at <https://forms.gle/aZeogz2nFn1tVxdS9>.

-Confirmation classes will be scheduled to occur in Lent.-

### COOK A MEAL FOR COLLEGE KIDS

Would you be willing to make a meal for our Episcopal students at UNCW through ECCO (Episcopal Campus Christian Ministry)? Alfreda Gee, ECCO Minister, is looking for a few folks who would be willing to prepare a meal for the 8-10 students that meet each Tuesday at Church of the Servant in Wilmington. Contact Teresa Singer at [teresabsinger@gmail.com](mailto:teresabsinger@gmail.com) or Alfreda Gee at 910.604.0084 for more information about what is involved. This is a great way for St. Paul's to show some love and hospitality to Episcopal college students at UNCW.

### THE SOURCE GIFT SHOP AT ST. PAUL'S

Come shop our clothing, jewelry, candles, household items and Episcopal swag. When you purchase gifts for yourself and your loved ones 100% of the proceeds benefit our youth group mission travel activities, St. Paul's Choir and other church charities. Come shop with us, on Sundays, following the 10:30am service, and help spread St. Paul's ministries into the world. Questions? See Peg Brunton.

### THE BLESSING BOX UPDATE

Thank you for your continued generosity and donations. We regularly fill the Blessing Box. The need is great and resources deplete quickly. Therefore, we ask you to continue to bless our "Street Angels" (Paul Simon) with your generosity. Also, most of our guests do not have can openers. So if possible, cans with "pull tops" are helpful. ~ Bob S. & Judy B.

**GET SINGING!**  
**WILMINGTON BOYS CHOIR 2022-23 SEASON**

**REHEARSALS EVERY TUESDAY, 6 P.M. + DINNER**

**Now accepting boys  
age 7 through voice change!**

Rehearsals held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
16 N. 16th St., Wilmington, NC | (910) 256-5139  
To register, or for more information, visit  
[www.wilmingtonboyschoir.org](http://www.wilmingtonboyschoir.org) or email  
[wilmingtonboyschoir@gmail.com](mailto:wilmingtonboyschoir@gmail.com).  
*No religious affiliation required.*



### BUILDING A COLUMBARIUM

St. Paul's is building a columbarium in the Bellamy Memorial Garden. To speak with Fr. Lee about reserving a niche, please register at <https://forms.gle/bxnNZe4yVOXGEMsH8>.

### VANCO ONLINE GIVING



# SHINING OUR LIGHT

During each week's 10:30 a.m. worship service in October, a member of our parish will talk about what stewardship means to them. Please find the recording of the presentation below.



Oct. 9: Rector's (Senior) Warden Bill Anlyan <https://youtu.be/ZC2zp0zYqkQ?t=3155>

It's Stewardship time again! Many years ago I was involved in fundraising at the university here in town, and I'll never forget a meeting where we had a donor who had elected to give millions and millions of dollars away. Not only to UNCW but to the church and to Duke University. After we signed all the documents there was a pregnant pause. He looked at me and he said, "Bill, now that I have given all of this money away does this mean 'hello' or 'goodbye?'" That was like a spear right through my heart. "Goodbye? No! It's Hello."

I thought about it and prayed about it. Two weeks later I got a handwritten note from him. In it he said, "I deeply apologize for asking you that question. I have been very successful in my life. I can buy any car I want. But, no matter what car I drive, in two weeks it's just a car. I can buy any business I want, and I have; but all I get is more headaches. I can eat at the fanciest restaurants in the world, and I have; but usually the fancier and more expensive they are, the worse the heartburn. The only thing that brings pure joy in my life is when I discovered the power of giving away my wealth to help people in need."

That is why we are here today. To offer you the invitation to really feel good about the love and the generosity that our church plays not only in our lives but also in the lives of our community. So, when we think about stewardship, please think not in terms that you have to give away millions of dollars. I am always reminded when I look at the Agnus Dei window that that window is in our church because of the work of the "little workers." I don't know who they are. I don't know how they did it. But, their legacy is with us today. So we invite you to join that legacy and become a part of our family by giving what you can to help us with our mission. Thank you very much.

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## ST. PAUL'S WELCOMES YOU

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### **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.

**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

**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:** Most Sundays from 9:30-10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing for ages 4-11.

**Episcopal Youth Community (EYC):** Most Sundays from 9:30-



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