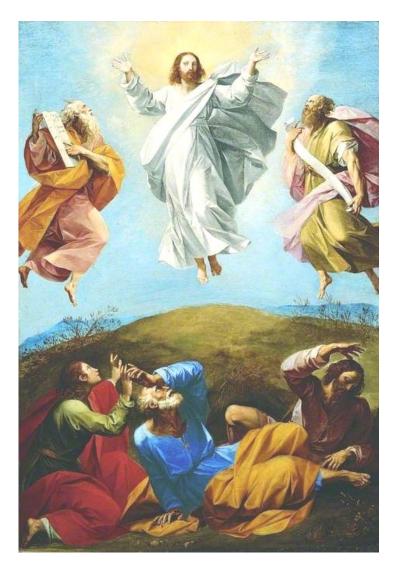
## ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

AUGUST 6, 2023

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.

## 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

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
Spencer Weig
Greeter/Usher
Linda Collette

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**Voluntary** Fantasia on a Theme of Thomas Tallis

R. Vaughn-William arr. Martin Shaw

Introit Jubilate Deo William Weisser

Processional Hymn 494 Crown him with many crowns Diademata

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 be to God Lauda Anima

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.

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.

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.

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**Celebrant:** O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully

transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the

disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you,

O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Exodus 34: 29-35

**Reader:** A Reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had

finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99 Dominus regnavit Thomas Norris

1 The Lord is King;

let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

2 The Lord is great in Zion;

he is high above all peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

## The Second Reading: 2 Peter 1: 13-21

**Reader:** A Reading from the second letter of Peter.

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things. For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn Tis Good Lord to be here Carlisle

-Joseph Armitage Robinson (1858-1933)

1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy glory fills the night; Thy face and garments, like the sun,

Shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold

Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old. 3 Fulfiller of the past Promise of things to be, We hail thy body glorified And our redemption see!

4 Before we taste of death, 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! We see thy kingdom come: Yet we may not remain;

O might we hold the vision bright, But, since thou bidst us leave the mount,

And make this hill our home. Come with us to the plain.

## The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 9: 28-36

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

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Hyfrydol

Please stand.

#### The Apostles Creed (sung together)

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began. We believe in Christ the Savior, Son of God in human frame, virgin-born, the child of Mary Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led, suffered under Pontius Pilate, he descended to the dead. We believe in Jesus risen, Heaven's king to rule and reign, to the Father's side ascended till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above: saints of God in one communion, One in holiness and love.
So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Savior, Lord and friend, we shall rise with him in glory to the life that knows no end.

## The Prayers of the People

upon whom the Spirit came.

**Celebrant:** With our eyes fixed on Christ, the beloved Son who intercedes for us, let us offer our prayers with

confident faith before the throne of God, saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** That the Church of Christ may be ever attentive to his voice, persevering in prayer, and zealous in his

service. 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. Thomas in Oriental and Trinity in Lumberton. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Church in South Sudan.

Lord in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** That Christ, the morning star, may dawn upon the hearts of all, and herald a new day of justice and

peace. We pray especially for peace between Ukraine and Russia.

Lord in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** That those whose lives are overshadowed by physical pain or anguish of spirit may know the healing

touch of Christ and the transfiguring power of his resurrection. We pray especially for (the intercessor reads

aloud the names of those in our parish that need our prayers).

Lord in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** That we who have been called by Christ to this mountain of prayer may find strength here to be his

witnesses in the world.

Lord in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** That those who, during their earthly pilgrimage acknowledge the Dominion of Christ and all whose

faith is known to God alone, may be drawn into the radiant joy of Heaven's Kingdom, and behold, the

face of God. We pray especially for Harriet Fowler, Danny Robertson, Helen Christy Wells, and

Richard Rhoads. Lord in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Celebrant:** God of Majesty and Power, whose, beloved son is your word of truth and the light shining in our

darkness, receive the prayers of your church, and grant that all people may come to know the peace of

your Kingdom and the splendor of your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession of Sin BCP 361

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.

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Anthem Be Thou My Vision arr. Richard Shephard

Text found on page 488 of the hymnal

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 12 for the QR code.

**Presentation Hymn**Doxology
Lasst uns erfreuen

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!

## The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 S128

Holy, Holy, Holy

William Mathias



#### 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;

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

Taste and See

Lift Every Voice and Sing II



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

#### **Invitation to Communion**

Agnus Dei O Lamb of God St. Botolph

## 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** 

O Light of Light Text found on page 133 of the hymnal Cary Ratcliff

The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns

Communion Hymn 318

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face

Nyack

Communion Hymn 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Picardy

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

Transfigured Lord, your Glory

Aurelia(525)

1 Transfigured Lord, your glory Shines on the mountain's height. Now shine today among us And make our darkness light. Transfigured Lord, your glory Was dazzling like the sun. The sage and prophet greet him, The Father's Chosen One.

2 Transfigured not, disciples Have need to own this place; But faith that is imprisoned Knows not the love of grace. Transfigured Love Incarnate Walks with them on their way To live a life as pilgrims And live it, day by day.

3 Transfigured Life, demanded

To climb another hill; A cross that leads to glory, A love transforming still.

Transfigured now, God's people,

Who dare to run this race; To live this mountain's promise,

Transfigured lives of grace.

4 Transfigured ones, our promise, With living water poured;
To wash and seal and nurture
And sign for evermore.
Transfigured Lord your clory

Transfigured Lord, your glory
Shines on the mountain's height,
Now shines today among us

Now shines today among us And make our darkness light.

The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth in the name of the transfigured Christ.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary** Chorale on a Melody of Melchior Vulpius

Healey Willan

#### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

#### Celebrant

The Reverend Catherine Powell

#### Preacher

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

## Gospeller

The Reverend Michael Singer

#### Verger

Leon Tillery

Crucifer

Jeffrey Hughes

## Gospel Book Bearer

Scott Sheble

#### **Torchbearers**

Katie Rose Sanders-Park

Bennett Sanders-Park

#### Thurifer

Cheryl Wagoner

## **Altar Server**

Jeffrey Hughes

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Herb Gant

John Fonda

Scott Sheble

#### Lectors

Cynthia Smallwood

Elisabeth Sanders-Park

#### Intercessor

David Frederiksen

#### Ushers

Cynthia Smallwood

Ron Morgan

Jerry West

Owen Aylesworth

David Frederiksen

## Greeters

Gary and Janet Dillon

## Flower Guild

Beth Richards

Marie Ashworth

#### Altar Guild

Cheryl Wagoner

Leon Tillery

Gail Gallaher

Amber Austin

#### ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

#### In Our Parish

Earl Craig Tammy Pollock Judy Farri Dale Curran Joe Farri JoAnn Summey Barbara O'Rourke Alice Calder Eileen Searle Katherine Ramsey Sib Vlahos Greg Thomas Renée Patrick Margaret Haughey Dawn Wilson Lynda Miller

## People Requesting Prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti Mary Barto Tammy Tilghman Nathalie Rubin Carroll Joines Turner Rivenbark Linda Harris Teresa Biddle Lynne Vanstory Trevor Babcock David Hayes Richard Poole Jim Holliday Geoffrey LaSalle David Walser Chela Evans

Philip Watson Jayne & Rob Tomlin

John Baby Theo

Rob King Elaine Robertson
Pat Noble Suzanne Rutledge

Brandon and Marie Greene

## The Departed

Helen Christy Wells, Harriet Fowler Danny Robertson, Richard Rhoads

## 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, <a href="https://www.spechurch.com">www.spechurch.com</a>.

## 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 6

The Feast of the Transfiguration

8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am-12pm Nursery open

9:30am <sup>1</sup> Summer Faith Formation (parish hall)
10:30am Choral Eucharist + reception in parish hall

Monday, August 7

No events have been scheduled

Tuesday, August 8

7:30am Early Bird Book Group will resume on Sept. 5

9:00am Morning Prayer Wednesday, August 9 12:10pm Midday Eucharist Thursday, August 10

8:30am GNP

9:00am Morning Prayer Friday, August 11 8:00am Mensgroup Saturday, August 12

No events have been scheduled

Next Sunday, August 13

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am Holy Eucharist 9:15am-12pm Nursery open

**9:30am** <sup>2</sup> Summer Faith Formation (parish hall)

**10:30am** Choral Eucharist + reception following in parish hall

<sup>1</sup> A New Vision for St. Paul's

<sup>2</sup> Streetcar Suburbs

Vanco Online Giving



#### COMING UP

# Summer Faith Formation: Digging Deep into the History of St. Paul's 9:30am | Parish Hall

Join our Archivist, Ellen Weig, for a conversation that explores the intersection of history, race, and St. Paul's spiritual DNA.

August 6: A New Vision for St. Paul's

August 13: Streetcar Suburbs

August 20: From Troubled Times to Hospitality

## Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday, August 27 | 10:30am

St. Paul's annual Blessing of the Backpacks will be held Sunday, August 27th during the 10:30am service. Students and educators of all ages are invited to bring backpacks or bookbags for a blessing!

## Open House, Open Hearts: Extending God's Welcome in East Carolina October 21, 2023 | 10:30am - 5:00pm Episcopal Farmworker Ministry | 2989 Easy Street, Dunn, NC 28334

Here's what you need to know to get to our revival festival, Open House, Open Hearts: Extending God's Welcome in East Carolina, this October. This festival is open to all people, so please invite and welcome your neighbors! Parking will be available for cars, buses, and vans, though we strongly encourage ride sharing to make sure there is space for all in the limited space we have on property. Every effort is being made to provide as much accessible and handicapped parking as possible. We encourage neighboring congregations to share resources for transportation to the revival (ride share, car pooling, bus rentals, etc.) Plan to arrive before or by lunch time. We'll have food trucks with food available for purchase and family-friendly interactive festival offerings throughout the day (music, speakers, activities, and more). The Diocese is seeking volunteers for the revival.

If you are interested in helping, please check out the following link: https://www.diocese-eastcarolina.org/blog/seeking-revival-team-volunteers/?occurrence=354

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Blessing Box Gratitude**

To the faithful people of St. Paul's,

Your generosity abounds. The Blessing Box supplies have been abundant because of all of you. Please continue to donate on behalf of God's Street Angels because the need is great. Thank You. Blessings, Bob & Judy

#### Scam Alert

BEWARE, a scammer is using text messages impersonating Fr. Lee. The text message wording may include your name in the greeting and may read as follows:

"Please return my text when you get it, I have a favor to ask. Blessings, Rev. Caleb J. Lee"

DO NOT REPLY - THIS IS A SCAM!

No member of St. Paul's Clergy will make a request such as this.

If you are in doubt about the authenticity of a message or email from St. Paul's, contact the church office.

#### **Thanks**

Thank you for all the beautiful cards, visits, food and prayers. Your love and support has overwhelmed us in such a loving and beautiful way. You have made my recovery peaceful and Ernest's life comfortable. You'll never know what this truly means to us. Renée and Ernest Patrick

#### **Summer Office Information**

This summer our church office is operating differently. Office hours are from 9am - 2pm on Monday through Thursday and 9am -1 pm on Friday. April Cook is still the Parish Administrator but is working remotely. To contact her you can email the admin@spechurch.com email address. We are enjoying having volunteers in the office to answer the phones and greet parishioners and visitors. If you call or visit the office they can connect you to the clergy and church staff.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

## Ralph Fulton Tilden February 10, 1930 - May 24, 2023

The funeral liturgy for Ralph Tilden will be held at 2:00pm on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.



#### Fall Hospitality

School may be out for summer, but it's already time to start thinking about and planning for the fall. Hospitality resumes at St. Paul's in September! Being part of this ministry by providing breakfast after the 8 am service or joining one of the Wednesday (post-eucharist lunch) or Sunday morning hospitality teams is a great way to be involved in the dynamic parish life at St. Paul's. Please, if you feel called to serve in this ministry, contact Ashley Eason at <a href="majorage-eap-ason@yahoo.com">eap-ason@yahoo.com</a> or 541-829-0665. You can also contact Margaret Haughey at <a href="majorage-haugheymarg@gmail.com">haugheymarg@gmail.com</a> or 919-656-4240.

## St. Paul's to Offer Community of Hope Training Program

Community of Hope International is a Christian community united in prayer, shaped by Benedictine Spirituality and equipped for service in pastoral care ministries. Are you interested in being a better listener? Are you feeling drawn to live into a more intentional spirituality? Then you might find COHI training and community meaningful. The initial COHI training offers a semester-long course including sessions on boundaries, meditation, etc. Upon completing the training and commissioning there are monthly "Circle of Care" gatherings that bring a wide range of speakers to build the skills of the members. These gatherings also offer an opportunity for fellowship and community building. If you have attended Community of Hope Int'l (COHI) training somewhere else or would like more information please contact the Rev.

Michael Singer, associate for pastoral care at pastoral-care@spechurch.com. Visit the COHI website, www.cohinternational.org to learn more. St. Paul's is combining training and locations with St. James for this ministry. Most sessions are on Tuesday evenings from September-early November. If you plan to attend the Community of Hope

International training, scheduled to begin September 5th, please sign-up by August 15th.

To register, go to https://spechurch.com/cohi.

#### Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

St. Paul's supports the Mother Hubbard's Cupboard emergency food distribution center both financially and with volunteers who collect, pack and stock the donated non-perishable food donations. St Paul's volunteers pack boxes and bags for distribution to the community in need. St. Paul's currently assigned work days are every second Monday and every third Friday of each month. Summer months are a challenge since many volunteers are vacationing or are otherwise occupied. The next volunteer dates are August 14 and 18. On our work days we meet MHC (315 Red Cross St. 1 block off of 3<sup>rd</sup> St downtown) around 8:30am.

If you have questions please contact Steve Bucci.

## 1st Annual Jazz & Race Symposium

Saturday, September 16, 2023, 1:30 – 7:30 PM

Offered by the Racial Healing Commission of the Diocese of East Carolina

Jazz and Racial Healing intersect in many ways. Join us as we listen to Jazz and learn more about its history from The Rev'd Skip Walker. Dr. Catherine Meeks will share from her extensive involvement in Racial Healing in the larger Episcopal church and beyond.

This event will be held at St. James Episcopal Church, Wilmington, NC. Dinner is included. Registration is required by Sept 8th: <a href="https://dioec.regfox.com/1st-annualjazz-and-race-symposium-2023">https://dioec.regfox.com/1st-annualjazz-and-race-symposium-2023</a>

Although there is no charge to attend, a donation is requested to help offset the cost of the event.

#### 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.

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 10:30am 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. Please return when church is over.

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

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

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



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