

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
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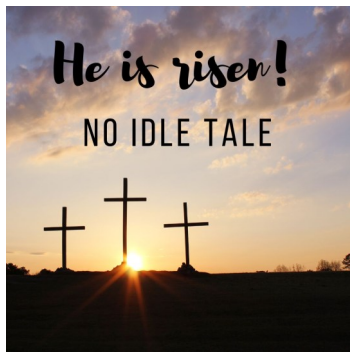
THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 2025

10:00 AM PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

OPEN DOORS. OPEN HEARTS. OPEN HANDS.



An Easter Message from the Rector

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. *But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.* - Luke 24: 5b -12

Beloved of St. Paul's,

The story of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is no "idle tale." That phrase from Luke's account is what strikes me this year. The disciples do not believe the women when they return from the tomb with the amazing news that Jesus has been raised from the dead. The disciples think that the women are telling them an "idle tale."

It was only when Peter got up and ran to the tomb to look for himself that he began to believe the women's account.

Like Peter, we often need the first-hand experience of resurrection and new life to believe in its power. Isn't that the situation for Thomas? At this time of year, it is easy to point to the power of God to raise things up. Look at all the azalea blooms and the fresh shoots of green grass on neighborhood lawns. But the power of the Easter story transcends springtime symbols. Easter is an ever-present reality for Christians; it affects every part of our lives. I know that God's resurrection power is working in your life. If you need proof, look no further than our common life together at St. Paul's.

On the Fifth Sunday in Lent, our Bishop spoke to us of God doing a new thing at St. Paul's. What could be the explanation for our growth? I think there are multiple reasons, but at the root of it all, we actually believe and are trying to live into the story of God in Jesus Christ. That story is no "idle tale."

His story is our story. His story is our salvation. We are given victory in Jesus. We are baptized into his death and resurrection. His power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask for or imagine. This is no idle tale. It is our whole life.

At St. Paul's, the message of the cross and resurrection is proclaimed in the pulpit and celebrated at the altar. We sing about it in our hymnody and anthems, enriched by our magnificent choir and the artistry of our organist. It is taught to our youth, children, and adults through meaningful formation opportunities. The Gospel message of the cross and resurrection happens in the welcoming of the stranger, in our hospitality, in the work of all our faithful volunteers, and through our many community ministries. This year, St. Paul's created over 60 Easter baskets for foster children in our area because we believe in the power of the Easter story. Christ is risen! Alleluia!

No idle tale is being told or lived out at St. Paul's. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Easter blessings!

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee, Rector

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 166 years of service and worship in Wilmington.

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

*Our worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP). The hymns can be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal.
Other hymns will be marked accordingly. Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.*

Choral Prelude

*Alleluia from Exsultate Jubilate
Prelude to Te Deum
Grant us peace
The Lord's my Shepherd
Choral from Symphonie Romane*

Wolfgang A. Mozart
Marc Antoine Charpentier
David and Jean Perry
Malcolm Archer
Charles-Marie Widor

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

Processional Hymn 175

Hail thee, festival day!

Salve festa dies

Refrain

*Hail thee, festival day!
blest day that art hallowed forever,
day whereon Christ arose,
breaking the kingdom of death.*

1 Lo, the fair beauty of earth,
from the death of the winter arising!
Every good gift of the year
now with its Master returns: *Refrain*

2 He who was nailed to the cross
is Lord and the ruler of nature;
all things created on earth
sing to the glory of God: *Refrain*

3 Daily the loveliness grows,
adorned with the glory of blossom;
heaven her gates unbars,
flinging her increase of light: *Refrain*

4 Rise from the grave now, O Lord,
who art author of life and creation.
Treading the pathway of death,
life thou bestowest on all: *Refrain*

5 God the Creator, the Lord,
who rulest the earth and the heavens,
guard us from harm without;
cleanse us from evil within: *Refrain*

The Station Collect at the Baptismal Font

O God, who made this most holy day to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Refrain

*Hail thee, festival day!
blest day that art hallowed forever,
day whereon Christ arose,
breaking the kingdom of death.*

6 Jesus the health of the world,
enlighten our minds, thou Redeemer,
Son of the Father supreme,
only-begotten of God: *Refrain*

7 Spirit of life and of power,
now flow in us, fount of our being,
light that dost enlighten all,
life that in all dost abide: *Refrain*

8 Praise to the giver of good!
Thou Love who art author of concord,
pour out thy balm on our souls,
order our ways in thy peace: *Refrain*

Easter Acclamation & Response

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Celebrant: This is the day which the Lord has made. Alleluia!
People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia!

The Gloria

Glory to God
(Music on page 11)

St. Thomas Mass

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Acts 10: 34-43

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

Psalms 118: 1-2, 14-24

Confitemini Domino

George Garrett

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
2 Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."
14 The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.
15 There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:
16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
17 I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.
18 The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.
19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.
20 "This is the gate of the Lord;
he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.
22 The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
23 This is the Lord's doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
24 On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it

The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Reader: A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn 180

He is risen

Unser Herrscher

1 He is risen, he is risen!
Tell it out with joyful voice:
he has burst his three days' prison;
let the whole wide earth rejoice:
death is conquered, we are free,
Christ has won the victory.

2 Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,
with glad smile and radiant brow!
Death's long shadows have departed;
Jesus' woes are over now,
and the passion that he bore—
sin and pain can vex no more.

3 Come, with high and holy hymning,
hail our Lord's triumphant day;
not one darksome cloud is dimming
yonder glorious morning ray,
breaking o'er the purple east,
symbol of our Easter feast.

4 He is risen, he is risen!
He hath opened heaven's gate:
we are free from sin's dark prison,
risen to a holier state;
and a brighter Easter beam
on our longing eyes shall stream.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to John 20: 1-18.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Apostles Creed

<p>1 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 upon whom the Spirit came.</p>	<p>2 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.</p>	<p>3 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.</p>
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The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Filled with joy on this royal feast of feasts, let us offer prayers to God who leads his children through the Red Sea water, saying: glory and praise to you, O living God.

Intercessor: For the holy churches of God; for Rob our Bishop, Sean our Presiding Bishop, and for peace in Jerusalem and The Middle East. Hear our prayer,

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: For all those in need, the homeless and the unemployed, travelers and prisoners, refugees and those displaced by war, especially those in Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, and Russia. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: For ourselves, our families, and all those we love, for the sick: especially for *(the intercessor reads the names of those in our parish who need our prayers)*. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: In thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life; especially St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: That Christ may fill us with the joy of his holy resurrection. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: For Mary Bradley, Ann Payne, Michelle Long, Jean Roshford and all those who have died in the faith of Christ and for the promise of resurrection to be fulfilled; for all those for whom flowers and music have been given on **page 13** of this bulletin. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Intercessor: Remembering the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. Hear our prayer.

People: *Glory and praise to you, O living God.*

Celebrant: Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for the victory over death of your Son, Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this holy day, and grant that we who have received new life in baptism may live forever in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *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.

Welcome & Announcements

Offertory Anthem

Christus Vincit

Joseph Noyon/arr. Gerre Hancock

Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat.
Gloria Patri et Filio,
et Spiritui Sancto.
Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat.
Sicut erat in principio et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.
Christus vincit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat.

*Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands.
As in the beginning, it is now and always and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands.*

*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.*

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! 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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us 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

Mass of St. Thomas

David Thorne

Moderato *mf*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po-wer and might,
6 Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na
11 in the high - est. Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the
16 Lord. Ho - san-na, Ho- san-na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

The people stand

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

Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover

David Thorne
(arr. Nigel Potts)

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

David Thorne

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

The Communion of the People

Communion of both kinds is offered at the Altar Rail and the Baptistry. If you do not wish to receive communion please cross your arms for a blessing. Gluten free wafers are available at every station.

Communion Anthem

Now the green blade rises

Alan Bullard

Text may be found in the hymnal, 204.

The congregation is invited to join in singing the Communion Hymns.

Communion Hymn 210

The day of resurrection

Ellacombe

1 The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the Passover of gladness,
the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and, listening to his accents,
may hear so calm and plain
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
let earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph,
and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen
their notes together blend,
for Christ the Lord is risen,
our joy that hath no end.

Communion Hymn 335

I am the bread of life

I Am the Bread of Life

The Post Communion Prayer *(said together)*

The people stand or kneel.

God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

Processional Hymn 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

Easter Hymn

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!	3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured; Alleluia! now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!	4 Sing we to our God above Alleluia! praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

The Easter Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia, alleluia! Go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

People: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary

Allegro assai vivace, from "Sonata I"

Felix Mendelssohn

All Easter Egg Hunt participants, please gather at the chancel steps immediately following the service.

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant and Preacher

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Gospeller

The Reverend
A. Michael Singer

Assisting

The Reverend
Kay Swindell

Verger

Leon Tillery

Eucharistic Ministers

Dot Erway
Jeffrey Hughes
Nathan Gaylord

Altar Server

Cabe Lee

Crucifers

Cabe Lee
Izzy Lee

Gospel Book Bearer

Dot Erway

Torchbearers

Turner Tait
Kate Anlyan
Hazel Lee
Carolyn Demorest

Lectors

Teresa Singer
Lisa Sanders-Park

Intercessor

Lynda Miller

Thurifer

Scott Sheble

Greeters

Trish Arnold
Valerie DeJarld

Ushers

Ron Morgan
Greg Kutrow
Greg Knepper
Bill Petry
Mark Tedesco

Altar Guild

Amber Austin
Gail Gallaher
Leon Tillery

Flower Guild

All Members

Brendan Conner, Music Director

The Choir of St. Paul's

Musicians

Carlton Howard - *Trumpet*
Patti Knauf - *Trumpet*
Crystal Britton- *French Horn*
Joseph Dowdy - *Trombone*
Daniel Johnson - *Tuba*
John Sullivan-*Assisting Conductor*

Moderato *ff*

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

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

f

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

f

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

mf

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

f

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

f

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

f

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

f

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

f

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

ff

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

ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

In Our Parish

Earl Craig	Reneé Patrick
Alice Calder	Carroll Joines
Eileen Searle	Janet Dillon
Lloyd Olsen+	Bill Garmon
Tammy Pollock	Katherine Ramsey
Dale Curran	Richard & Barbara
JoAnn Summey	O'Rourke
John Efthemis	Kira Conner
Mack Umphlett	Marie Ashworth
Ashley Eason	Bob Crafts
David Tousignant	Nancy Bobo

People Requesting Prayer

Tracy Sorrenti	Mark Poe
Rebecca Tousignant	Elise Harney
Faye Briggs	Catherine Alligood
Doug Crafts	Laura, Avery, and Ella
Aaron Harward	Cory Smith
Lisa Wilson	Christian Bermudez
Amanda Ormiston	Whitney
Tom Alderdice	Louise Massemينو
Brandon Adkins	Rayliene, Sherry & Ryan
Santiago Pacheco	Stanfield
Ed Crafts	

The Departed

Mary Bradley, Ann Payne, Michelle Long, Jean Roshford

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 prayers 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 Visitor 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**.

ST. PAUL'S CALENDAR

This Sunday, April 20, Easter Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist with Hymns
9:15am - 12pm Nursery open
9:30am No Faith Formation
10:00am Musical Prelude and Flowering of the Cross
10:30am Festival Choral Eucharist *(followed by Easter Egg Hunt in the garden and light reception in the Parish Hall)*

Monday, April 21

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, April 22

9:00am Morning Prayer *(Zoom)*
5:30pm COHI/Circle of Hope *(Library)*

Wednesday, April 23

12:10pm Holy Eucharist *(Lunch to follow in Parish Hall)*

Thursday, April 24

8:30am GNP & St. Fiacre Meeting *(Parish Hall)*
9:00am Morning Prayer *(Zoom)*
11:00am Rector's Bible Study¹ *(Parish Hall)*

Friday, April 25

8:00am Mensgroup

Saturday, April 26

1:00pm Funeral for Mary Bradley

Next Sunday, April 27

8:00am Holy Eucharist
9:15am - 12pm Nursery open
9:30am Faith Formation
10:30am Choral Eucharist *(followed by Reception in the Parish Hall)*
1:00pm Funeral for Michelle Long
4:00pm Concert with Carolina Music Classical
4:00pm-6:00pm EYC & Nerf Gun Fun

¹Join 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.

2025 EASTER FLOWERS AND MUSIC DONATIONS

In Memory of

Given by

My Parents	Karen Day
James & Gertrude Deibert Naney Deibert Williams Algernon & Josephine Butler Eva Butler Daniel	Susan D. Butler
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Our Parents	Dick & Shannon Rowe
Our Departed Family Members & Dear Friends	Bill & Susan Bowers
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Our Parents and brother	Beth & Brad VanAmberg
Duncan & Evelyn Tousignant, Mary Veronica Tousignant, Joseph & Thelma Jones, and Thomas R. Lippard III	D. Tousignant & M. Lippard
Sharon O'Rourke Berry & Michael Shane O'Rourke	Barbara & Richard O'Rourke

In Honor of

Our Children & Grandchildren	Dick & Shannon Rowe
Our Grandsons, Bennett & Colin	The Reverend A. Michael & Mrs. Singer
Celebrating our Children & Grandchildren	Bob & Jan Wilcox
Allen, Cabe, Hazel Rhett, & Izzy	The Reverend Caleb J. Lee
Our Family and Friends	Gail & Terry Gallaher
Our Family, Past, Present, & Future	LeeAnn & Chip Blalock
Our Six Grandchildren & Their Spouses, Our 13 Grandchildren & Their Spouses, and our 10 Greats!	Gladys Remillard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community of Hope International

Circle of Care will meet Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 5:30pm in the library. All those who have COHI training are welcome to attend.

Cheryl Wagoner to be Ordained a Deacon

St. Paul's will be hosting the Ordination of Cheryl Wagoner and James Green to the Sacred Order of Deacons on Saturday, May 3 at St. Paul's. A time is to be determined. If you would like to contribute to some special gifts that will be given to Cheryl on this special day, please make your check payable to St. Paul's with "Cheryl Wagoner" in the memo line. You may also go to <https://spechurch.com/online-giving/> and make a gift online.

Ormond Center Tours

Sunday, April 6, 2025, we blessed the new Ormond Center Parish Offices and now are offering tours of the updated space. Please meet Steve Haughey at the Princess Street Parking lot doors after the 10:30 Choral Eucharist for a quick walk over to the OC for a tour

Save the Dates!

Parish Picnic

May 4, 2025

Long Leaf Park - More info to follow

2nd Annual St. Paul's Yard Sale

June 5-7, 2025

Glory Ridge 2025

July 20-25, 2025

Office Volunteers Needed

We have moved to the Ormond Center and continue to need volunteers to function as receptionists in the church building. The volunteer will sit in the "old" office, answer phones and buzz people in. Would you be willing to help? Click on the QR code to view the calendar and to sign up. Thank you!



Plant Swap at the Picnic!

As signs of spring draw us to our gardens, please remember St. Paul's annual plant swap. Plants of which you have too many will be welcome in a fellow parishioners' garden.

Also please save your extra pots and store bags. Thank you!

VANCO ONLINE GIVING



OPPORTUNITIES TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS

The Blessing Box Ministry

We receive the gifts of grace in meeting and serving our neighbors.

As the season changes, requests are for short umbrellas, small towels & washcloths.

The Blessing Box team continues to be grateful for everyone's generosity.

Blessings, The BBox Team.

**ST. PAUL'S
PARISH
PIKNIK**

Sunday, May 4, 2025
5:00-7:00 P.M.
Long Leaf Park
Shelter #4
Music
Fellowship & Food



What to Bring!

St. Paul's is providing your favorite
Publix fried chicken!

Here is what you can bring:

by Last Names:

A-H: Salads

I-P: Desserts

Q-Z: Side Dishes

Stay for food, fun and fellowship! We will
end the evening with a Compline.

Calling all Crafters!

Join us on May 17, 2025 for
Crafting and fellowship in the Parish Hall.

Want more info?

Contact Sally Pope
919-222-8743



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH & ST. ANDREW'S ON-THE-SOUND

SUMMER ARTS CAMP

**JUNE
23-27**

**9:00 AM-
12:00 PM**

AGE 4
THROUGH
RISING 5TH
GRADE



ART
MUSIC
MOVEMENT
SNACK

It's time to secure your child's spot at St. Paul's Summer Arts Camp!

This year we are partnering with
St. Andrew's On-the-Sound to bring a fun
filled week of creativity and engagement all
while learning about letting your light
shine!

Camp will be held at St. Paul's
June 23-27 from 9:00am-12:00pm daily.
We will have separate sessions for Age 4 -
Rising 1st Grade and Rising 2nd - Rising
5th Grade like last year.

Please follow the [link to Eventbrite](#)
to sign up.

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 10:30 am Please subscribe to St. Paul's on YouTube to view live-streamed services and concerts.

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

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

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): EYC meets Sunday from 9:30-10:15 am in Meeting Room A downstairs for 6th grade and older.



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Meaghan Thomas, Children's Ministry Coordinator
Isaac McDowell, Associate for Youth and Parish Life
Christian Bridges, Sunday Sexton

St. Paul's 2025 Vestry

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Steve Haughey, People's Warden
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