ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST 10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST WITH CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION, AND REAFFIRMATION

OPEN DOORS. OPEN HEARTS. OPEN HANDS.

ST. Paul's Episcopal Church

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

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS at 8:00 AM

Celebrant and Preacher

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee
Server and Lector
Herb Gant
Greeter/Usher
Mona Clites

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

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Voluntary Folk Tune Percy Whitlock

Please stand.

Processional Hymn 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

Westminster Abbey

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response

BCP 413

Bishop: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures forever.
Bishop: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: There is one hope in God's call to us.
Bishop: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

Bishop: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Bishop: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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: Isaiah 43: 16-21

Reader: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

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

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *

then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *

and our tongue with shouts of joy.

Then they said among the nations, *

"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, *

and we are glad indeed.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *

like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed with tears *

will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *

will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

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

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Please stand

Gradual Hymn 551

Rise up, ye saints of God!

Festal Song

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12: 1-8.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He

said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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

The Sermon

The Right Reverend Robert S. Skirving

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

BCP 415

for Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation

Bishop: The Candidates for Confirmation and Reception will now be presented.

The candidates and presenters stand

Presenters: I present ______for Confirmation.

I present ______ to be received into this Communion.

Bishop: Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates: I do.

Bishop: Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates: I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

Please stand

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

Bishop: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their

life in Christ?

People: We will.

Bishop: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own

baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the

Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to

judge the living and the dead.

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in

the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to

the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every

human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Bishop: Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Intercessor: Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Open their heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Bishop: Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you

have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Confirmation Hymn

Set aside your servants

Evelyns

Text by JMA Wright +

1 Set aside your servants, Spirit now embrace. pilgrims on the way. Saints above their models, on this road of faith; pointing to the glory, sacraments of grace.

2 Live the Christian story, preach the risen name. Faith, hope, love, their shepherd, Blessed, absolved, strengthened, peace of Christ, proclaim. Your defense before you, is the Spirit's power. Heav'nly grace, uphold you, this and every hour.

3 One with Christ through water one through blood outpoured; One in broken body with the risen Lord. Set aside your servants on this sacred day. Maker, Savior, Spirit, pilgrims on the way.

Please be seated

For Confirmation The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant N. with your Holy Spirit; empower him/her for your service; and sustain him/ her all the days of their lives. Amen.

For Reception

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. Amen.

When all have been confirmed and received, the congregation stands and the Bishop says

Almighty and ever living God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace **BCP 360**

Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé Offertory Anthem

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exultemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God. And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Members of the congregation will present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord. The loose offering for today's service will benefit the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. If you would like to give electronically, please turn to page 11 for the OR code. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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.

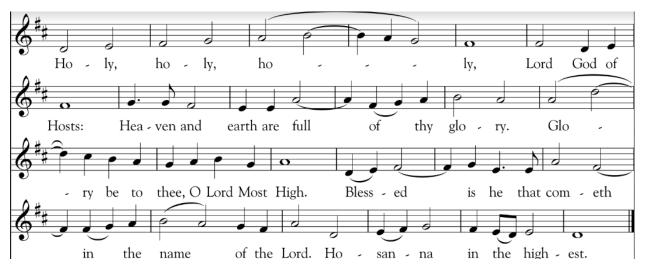
Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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 S114

Holy, Holy, Holy

Healey Willan



The celebrant continues

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

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

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Celebrant continues

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

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

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

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

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem Paschal victim, bread of life Aus der Tiefe rufe ich Pas - chal vic - tim, bread of life, Giv - er of e - ter - nal peace,

The Prayer of Humble Access (said together)

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei S-158 O Lamb of God Healey Willan

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Communion of the People

Communion Anthem

Drop, drop, slow tears

Orlando Gibbons

Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beauteous feet, which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.

Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat; to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.

In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears; nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.

Communion Hymn 498

Beneath the cross of Jesus

St. Christopher

Communion Hymn 653

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Repton

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

The people stand or kneel.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Processional Hymn 616

Hail to the Lord's anointed

Es flog ein kleins Waldvöglein

The Dismissal

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Toccata in F Dietrich Buxtehude

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS at 10:30 AM

Celebrant and Preacher

The Right Reverend Robert S. Skirving

Gospeller

The Reverend A. Michael Singer

Assisting

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Verger

Leon Tillery

Altar Server

Nathan Gaylord

Crucifers

Nathan Gavlord

Eve Frederiksen

Gospel Book Bearer

Izzy Lee

Torchbearers

Bennett Sanders-Park

Turner Tait

Lectors

Louise Joyner

Phillip Weiss

Intercessor

Cynthia Smallwood

Eucharistic Ministers

Louise Joyner

Zoë Frederiksen

Carolyn Demorest

Ushers

Bill Petry

Allan Dolman

Jeffrey Sackrison

Jerry West

Bill Waterfield

Greeters

Midge Silberman

Aimée Salinas

Flower Guild

All Members

Altar Guild

Anne Freeling

Sally Pope

Zona Tounsley

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ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

In Our Parish

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

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. 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.

The Departed

Mary Bradley

Virginia DuBois

Michelle Long

People Requesting Prayer

Tracy Sorrenti Mark Poe Rebecca Tousignant Elise Harney Faye Briggs Catherine Alligood Doug Crafts Laura, Avery, and Ella Cory Smith Aaron Harward Christian Bermudez Lisa Wilson

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.

ST. PAUL'S CALENDAR

This Sunday, April 6

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sue Stevenson

Renée Patrick

8:00am Holy Eucharist (Breakfast to follow in Parish Hall)

9:15am-12pm Nursery open

9:00am Confirmation Rehearsal

9:30am Formation for All Ages

9:30am Forum with the Bishop

10:00am The Blessing of the Ormond Center

10:30am Choral Eucharist with Confirmation,

Reception, and Renewal (Reception to follow in Parish Hall)

11:45am-12:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)

5:00pm Choral Compline

Tuesday, April 8

9:00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)

6:15-8:30pm EfM (Zoom)

7:00pm Hoggard HS Orchestra (doors open at 6:30pm)

Wednesday, April 9

12:10pm Holy Eucharist (Lunch to follow in Parish Hall) 6:00pm Simple Soup Supper and Evening Prayer with a homily from Lisa Sanders-Park.

7:00-8:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Thursday, April 10

8:30am GNP & St. Fiacre Meeting (Parish Hall)

9:00am Morning Prayer (Zoom)

9:00-11:00am Palm Cross Making Party (Parish Hall)

11:00am Rector's Bible Study¹ (Parish Hall)

Friday, April 11

8:00am Mensgroup

Saturday, April 12

2:00pm-4:00pm Palm Cross Making Party (Parish Hall)

Next Sunday, April 13

Palm Sunday

8:00am Holy Eucharist (Breakfast to follow in Parish Hall)

9:15am - 12pm Nursery open

9:30am No Faith Formation

10:00am The Liturgy of the Palms (Parish Hall) followed by procession

10:30am Choral Eucharist (Reception to follow in Parish Hall)

11:45am-12:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)

4:00pm-6:00pm EYC Rock Climbing (Wilmington Rock

Gym)

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.

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS



Hoggard High Spring Orchestra Concert

Hoggard High School Orchestra presents their Spring Concert Tuesday, April 8th, 7:00pm (doors open at 6:30pm)

Caring for Caregiver Luncheon

There was a good and thoughtful response to our first gathering to discuss a day of Caring for Caregivers. The next planning session will be April 13, 2025 in the library at 11:50am.

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.

Palm Cross Making Parties

Please join us in the Parish Hall on Thursday, April 10 at 9:00 - 11:00am or Saturday, April 12 from 2:00 - 4:00pm to help us prepare this year's Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday.

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





HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday

April 13

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist with Hymns 10:00 am - Liturgy of the Palms, beginning in the Parish Hall 10:30 am - Choral Eucharist

Monday in Holy Week

April 14

12:10 pm - Stations of the Cross

Tuesday in Holy Week

April 15

12:10 pm - Stations of the Cross

Wednesday in Holy Week

April 16

12:10 pm - Holy Eucharist with lunch to follow

Maundy Thursday

April 17

7:00 pm - The Liturgy for Maundy Thursday

Good Friday

April 18

12:10 pm - A Choral Liturgy for Good Friday

Holy Saturday

April 19

7:00 pm - The Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday**

April 20

The Feast of the Resurrection

8:00 am - Holy Eucharist with Hymns

10:00 am - Easter Musical Prelude and the Flowering of the Cross begin

10:30 am - Festival Choral Eucharist

(Followed by the Easter Egg Hunt)

**Please note: there will <u>not</u> be breakfast after the 8:00 service on Easter Sunday.

The coffee hour/reception on Easter will include **light snacks & lemonade** while the Childrens' Easter Egg Hunt occurs.



Gift Form 2025

You are invited to honor or remember loved ones with the gift of flowers and music for our Easter services. Completed forms can be emailed to admin@spechurch.com, or dropped off at the church office. You can also donate Easter flowers and music using the Vanco service on our website at https://spechurch.com/online-giving/.

Please e-mail or turn this form into the church office.

Deadline is Wednesday, April 16, 2025 | admin@spechurch.com

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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

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 the conference room for 6th grade and older.



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Reverend Caleb J. Lee, Rector
The Reverend A. Michael Singer, Pastoral Associate
Brendan Conner, Organist and Director of Music
Lynne Rooks, Finance Manager
Jeanne Fitzpatrick, Church Administrator
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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