

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST
10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

OPEN DOORS. OPEN HEARTS. OPEN HANDS.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 166 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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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00 AM

Celebrant The Reverend A. Michael Singer	Altar Server & Intercessor Louise Joyner	Greeter & Usher Tom Gerow
Preacher The Reverend Deacon James Green		

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

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Voluntary

Adagio

Felix Mendelssohn

Processional Hymn 388

O worship the King

Hanover

THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation & Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

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.*

The Gloria S-280

Gloria in excelsis

Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Isaiah 65:1-9

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

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am" to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:18-27

Deus, Deus meus

James Nares

Be not far away, O LORD; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
Save me from the sword, *
my life from the power of the dog.
Save me from the lion's mouth, *
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
I will declare your Name to my brethren; *
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.

The Second Reading: Galatians 3:23-29

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

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gradual Hymn 529

In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 8:26-39.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend Deacon James Green

We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.
 We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and
 was made man.
 For our sake he was crucified under
 Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
 dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
 We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
 glorified.
 He has spoken through the Prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
 Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
 sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *(Adapted from Form I in the Book of Common Prayer)*

- Celebrant:** With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."
- Intercessor:** For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples. We pray especially for peace in our country and an end to military conflict around the world, especially in Israel, Gaza, Iran, Ukraine, and Russia. Let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For Rob, our bishop, Sean, our presiding bishop, and for all the clergy and people. For St. Thomas, Windsor & St. Anne's, Jacksonville in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and for the Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola in our Anglican Cycle of Prayer. Let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially for the birth of Sienna Marie Almonte. Let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*
- Intercessor:** For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially *(the intercessor reads the names of those on the Parish prayer list)*. Are there others? *Silence.* Let us pray to the Lord.
- People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially Jimmy Hyatt, let us pray to the Lord.

People: *Lord, have mercy.*

Intercessor: In the communion of St. Paul and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People: *To thee, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin

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

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.

Offertory Anthem

Forgive our sins as we forgive

Austin Lovelace

Forgive our sins as we forgive, you taught us, Lord, to pray,
but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?
In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew:
how small are others' debts to us, how great our debt to you!
Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease;
then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

Presentation Hymn 432 vs 4

O praise ye the Lord!

Laudate Dominum

O praise ye the Lord!
Thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured
all ages along!
For love in creation,
for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation,
O praise ye the Lord!

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

BCP 367

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

The Celebrant continues with a Proper Preface.

Sanctus and Benedictus S-128

Holy, holy, holy Lord

William Mathias



The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer and the Words of Institution.

Memorial Acclamation:

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

The Celebrant continues.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

Fraction Anthem

One Bread, one Body

One Bread, one Body

From Lift Every Voice and Sing II



Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

Senchur

Musical notation for Agnus Dei. The first staff is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us." The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace, 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. The congregation is invited to join in singing the Communion Hymns.

Communion Anthem

O love of God how strong and true
Text found in the Hymnal #456

Calvin Hampton

Communion Hymn 658

As longs the deer for cooling streams

Martyrdom

Communion Hymn

It is well with my soul

Ville du Havre

Musical notation for Communion Hymn. The hymn is in B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my
2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should
3. My sin oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be
way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;
come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,
thought My sin not in part, but the whole
sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no
The tramp shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -
say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.
more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.
scend, "Ev - en so" it is well with my soul.
Refrain
It is well with my soul,
— It is well, it is well with my soul."

The Post Communion Prayer *(said together)*

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 372

Praise to the living God!

Leoni

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Allegro moderato e serioso

Felix Mendelssohn

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Preacher

The Reverend Deacon James Green

Assisting

The Reverend A. Michael Singer
The Reverend Judy Breny

Verger

Leon Tillery

Eucharistic Ministers

Cabe Lee
Larry Hartman
Carolyn Demorest

Altar Server

Hazel Lee

Crucifers

Hazel Lee
Cabe Lee

Gospel Book Bearer

Izzy Lee

Torchbearers

Carolyn Demorest
Turner Tait

Lectors

Dewitt Dees
Lynda Miller

Intercessor

Greg Kutrow

Greeters

Jessica Shiplett
Cullen Shiplett

Ushers

John Fonda
Greg Kutrow
Ron Morgan
Jerry West
Bill Waterfield

Altar Guild

Anne Freeling
Sally Pope
Zona Tounsley

Flower Guild

Susan Butler

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	Marie Ashworth
Mack Umphlett	Nancy Bobo
Ashley Eason	Jeffrey Sackrison
David Tousignant	Kathy McElroy
Amber Austin	Dawn Wilson
Cheryle Wade	Brandon Adkins
Lon Anderson	Anna Bodily
Jane Carey	Bonnie Cawthorne

People Requesting Prayer

Aaron Harward	Danny Wagstaff
Lisa Wilson	Titus & Finley
Elise Harney	Jennifer Bakker
Mark Poe	Steve Chertock
Tracy Sorrenti	Doug & Ed Crafts
Whitney	Marie Greene
Debbie	Neil Bucci
Lucille Massemino	

The Departed

Jimmy Hyatt

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, June 22, The Second Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am Holy Eucharist (*Coffee to follow in Parish Hall*)
9:15am - 12pm Nursery open
9:30am Adult Faith Formation
10:30am Choral Eucharist (*followed by light Reception in the Parish Hall*)
11:45 am Planning for the Caregiver (*Library*)

Monday, June 23

9:00am-12:00pm Summer Arts Camp (*Parish Hall*)

Tuesday, June 24

7:30am Companions in Faith Book Club (*Zoom*)
9:00am Morning Prayer (*Zoom*)
9:00am-12:00pm Summer Arts Camp (*Parish Hall*)

Wednesday, June 25

9:00am-12:00pm Summer Arts Camp (*Parish Hall*)
12:10pm Holy Eucharist

Thursday, June 26

8:30am GNP & St. Fiacre Meeting (*TBD*)
9:00am Morning Prayer (*Zoom*)
9:00am-12:00pm Summer Arts Camp (*Parish Hall*)
11:00am Rector's Bible Study¹ (*Cancelled due to Arts Camp*)

Friday, June 27

8:00am Mensgroup (*Library*)
9:00am-12:00pm Summer Arts Camp (*Parish Hall*)

Next Sunday, June 29,

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

8:00am Holy Eucharist (*Coffee to follow in Parish Hall*)
9:15am - 12pm Nursery open
9:30am Adult Faith Formation (*Summer Series Begins*)
10:30am Choral Eucharist (*followed by light Reception in the Parish Hall*)

¹This week's Bible Study is cancelled due to Arts Camp.

The "Early Bird Book Group" is now known as ***Companions in Faith***.

We are a group of people who gather to support each other on our faith journey. We decide on books and movies that spark meaningful discussions. Personal reflection and sharing help deepen our relationship with God and community. Depending on the length of the book selected, a chapter or two is read each week. We meet via Zoom on **Tuesday mornings from 7:30 to 8:30am**. For more information and to participate, please contact Judy Breny at (716) 908-2169 or Joan Rosko Miller at (910) 398-0301. We welcome all.

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!



VANCO ONLINE GIVING



OPPORTUNITIES TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS

The Blessing Box Ministry

We have a big need for food right now!

The cupboard is almost bare. It has not been this low in a very long time. We need food that can be eaten "on the go" without preparation.

Cans with pull tops, paper packaging, protein bars. The Blessing Box team continues to be grateful for everyone's generosity.

Blessings, The BBox Team.



THE CAMPAIGN CONTINUES!

The Story

St. Paul's has two great spiritual gifts; hospitality and worship. The ***Faith in Action: Building our Future*** Campaign seeks to celebrate these two great spiritual gifts by living into our founder, Bishop Atkinson's vision of St. Paul's being a church accessible to all, including those with limited mobility.

The Project

We seek to raise sufficient funds to:

1. Provide stairless access between our sanctuary and parish hall. **Fundraising goal achieved!**
2. Redesign and update areas of the Parish House to better reflect our second great spiritual gift of Hospitality by updating restrooms, adding an elevator, reconfiguring areas of ministry, and creating more open space for gathering.
\$400,000 still needed
3. Renew and restore our parish hall. **About \$1,000,000 still needed**

Learn More

To learn more about the ***Faith in Action: Building our Future Campaign*** please go to www.spechurch.com/capital-campaign or schedule some time with Father Lee by emailing admin@spechurch.com or calling (910) 762-4578.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

Vestry Vacancy

The vestry intends to fill a member vacancy (Class of 2026) due to the resignation of one of its members because of relocation. The term will be for 1.5 years with the possibility of renewing for a full 3-year term. Per St. Paul's Bylaws Section 5.4, the Vestry invites suggestions of possible candidates to be sent to the Clerk of the Vestry, Anne O'Dell, by Sunday, August 3, 2025 at 5 pm. The clerk's email address is asb3080@gmail.com



Youth Week 2025: A Week of Adventure, Fellowship, and Faith

Last week, our youth embarked on a memorable journey during **Youth Week**, filled with fun in the sun, friendship, and faith. The week kicked off with a kayak tour to Shark Tooth Island, where the group paddled together, discovering the beauty of nature and creating lasting memories. The adventure continued with a meaningful tour of Wilmington with N Color, sparking lively conversations among the youth. The week culminated in an exciting outing to a Wilmington Sharks baseball game, where laughter and cheers echoed, and fun times made great memories for all who attended!

Throughout the week, the youth experienced the joy of fellowship and the deepening of friendships, all while growing in their faith. These shared experiences have not only created lasting memories but have also strengthened the sense of community within our church family.

A heartfelt thank you to all the youth and volunteers who made this week possible. Your energy, enthusiasm, and commitment to each other and to God are truly inspiring.

Glory Ridge July 20-25, 2025

Glory Ridge began almost fifty years ago when a young pastor named George Moore had a vision on a mountain ridge outside of Marshall, NC. In his vision he heard children laughing and playing, singing and worshipping. Since that vision long ago, Glory Ridge has developed into a place where young people and those who accompany them, can go to “make work worship.”



During the course of a week, young people have the privilege to call Glory Ridge home while they serve the residents of Madison County. Young people go out in teams to approved home sites to help specific people and families with home repair. The teams then come back to “the Ridge” to process the day and worship. Glory Ridge has transformed many lives over the years. *Get your kids signed up for this event as soon as possible!*

FAITH FORMATION

**SUMMER HISTORY
SERIES FROM
THE ARCHIVES**

**THE ARTS OF FAITH
AND TRADITION**

WHEN/WHERE

SUNDAYS, 9:30 AM
JUNE 29-JULY 27
PARISH HALL

WHO

LED BY ST. PAUL'S ARCHIVIST
ELLEN WEIG

WHAT

JUNE 29: ST. PAUL'S CHURCHES:

Architectural Visions, History, and Stories

JULY 6: CHANGING LANDSCAPES:

Outside, Inside, and All Around

JULY 13: MUSIC AND LIGHT:

Organ Notes and Stained Glass Journeys

JULY 20: MEMORIALS AND MEMORIES:

Gifts of Heritage, Legacy, and Remembrance

JULY 27: SYMBOLS AND IMAGES:

Visual Metaphors of Our Faith and Tradition

November
is
**National Family
Caregiver Month**

It is a time to recognize and honor the countless individuals who provide wonderful love, support, and care to their family members, friends, and neighbors facing health challenges. During the month of November we aim to raise awareness about caregivers' daily challenges and their resilience. It can be a source of support by reminding them that caring for others starts with caring for themselves.

Want to get involved?

CONTACT FR. SINGER



email: pastoral-care@spechurch.com
phone: (252) 268-1981



St. Paul's
Episcopal Church

Planning St. Paul's Day for Caregivers

Mark your calendar for June 22, 2025

On Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 11:45 am the planning group for this event will meet in the library.

If you would like to be involved with the planning of or assisting on the day of the event, you are invited to attend.

Day for Caregivers Event

Mark your calendar for November 8, 2025.

On Saturday, November 8, 2025, St. Paul's is offering a Day for Caregivers, a day of fellowship, relaxing and fun activities, and a meal to help caregivers enjoy a time away from the pressures and anxiety of caregiving.

**If you have any questions, please contact
Father Singer**

**Email: [pastoral-care @spechurch.com](mailto:pastoral-care@spechurch.com) or call
252-268-1981**

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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