

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026

8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

*WORSHIP – WELCOME – WITNESS*



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# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 168 years of service and worship in Wilmington.

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

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

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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00 AM

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**Celebrant**  
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

**Lector**  
Elisabeth Harney

**Preacher & Gospeller**  
The Reverend Deacon Nick Kohlmann

**Greeter | Usher**  
Linda Collette

**Altar Server & Intercessor**  
David Tousignant

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# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

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*Our worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP). 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.*

**Voluntary**

*Rockingham*

Kenneth Leighton

**Processional Hymn 450** (vs. 1-3, 6)

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name*

Coronation

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### The Opening Acclamation and Response

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

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

#### The Gloria S-280

*Glory to God in the Highest  
(Music on page 11)*

Robert Powell

#### The Collect of the Day

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

**People:** *And also with you.*

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

#### The First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

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

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant--these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
 show us the light of his countenance and come to us.  
 Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
 your saving health among all nations.  
 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
 let all the peoples praise you.  
 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
 for you judge the peoples with equity  
 and guide all the nations upon earth.  
 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
 let all the peoples praise you.  
 The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.  
 May God give us his blessing, \*  
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**The Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

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

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand.*

**Gradual Hymn 493**

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*

Azmon

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 15: (10-20) 21-28.**

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

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile." Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She

said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

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

## The Homily

**The Reverend Deacon Nick Kohlmann**

## The Nicene Creed *(Please stand.)*

**BCP 358**

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

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

On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and  
the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

**Deacon:** Let us cry out to our God who is rich in mercy and blessing, that his saving health may be known to us and to all his people throughout the world praying O Lord, hear our prayer.

**Intercessor:** For the one holy, catholic church and all who serve her across the world. We pray especially for Sarah, our bishop, Sean, our presiding bishop, the clergy of St. Paul's, and all who minister here in Wilmington. Let us cry out to God:

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

**Intercessor:** For the whole body of Christ as it gathers to worship the Triune God today. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. George's, Englehard, and St. John's, Fayetteville. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church in Wales. Let us cry out to God:

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

**Intercessor:** For this nation, and all the nations of the world. That there may come a day when all are glad and sing for joy together, and all people praise your holy name. Let us cry out to God:

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

**Intercessor:** For the sick, the suffering, and any who are in need, especially *(The intercessor reads the names of those in our parish who need our prayers)*. Are there others? *(Silence)* Let the light of your countenance shine upon them so that they may be made whole in body, mind, and soul. Let us cry out to God:

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

**Intercessor:** For those in immediate need of your saving hand here on earth. For the hungry, the homeless, the incarcerated, and the forgotten. Let us cry out to God:

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

**Intercessor:** For those who have died and all your saints who we love but see no longer, and those who mourn and miss them here on earth. In the assurance of the resurrection, let us cry out to God:

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

**Celebrant:** God of all creation help us to remember that your love and your power are as boundless as you and that you are infinite in your very nature. Help us to never grow weary in prayer, just as you never grow weary in blessing and grace. This we pray in the name of God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

## The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

**Deacon:** 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.*

## Announcements

### Offertory Anthem

*We are the Lord's*

Roland Martin

1. We are the Lord's; His all sufficient merit,  
sealed on the cross, to us this grace accords. We  
are the Lord's and all things shall inherit; whether  
we live or die, we are the Lord's.

2. We are the Lord's; then let us gladly tender our  
souls to Him in deeds, not empty words. Let heart  
and tongue and life combine to render no doubtful  
witness that we are the Lord's.

3. We are the Lord's; no darkness brooding o'er us  
can make us tremble while this star affords a steady  
light along the path before us. Faith's full assurance  
that we are the Lord's.

4. We are the Lord's; no evil can befall us in the  
dread hour of life's fast loosening cords; no pangs  
of death shall even then appall us. Death we shall  
vanquish, for we are the Lord's.

*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 15 for the QR code.*

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## BCP 367

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

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

*The Celebrant continues.*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem S-152**

*Cantor*



Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

*2 All*



There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Invitation to Communion**

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

**Agnus Dei**

*Lamb of God*

**Senchur**



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

## 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

*Lead me, Lord*

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.  
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only, that makest me dwell in safety.

### Communion Hymn 603

*When Christ was lifted from the earth*

St. Botolph

### Communion Hymn 321

*My God, thy table now is spread*

Rockingham

### 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 544

*Jesus shall reign where 'er the sun*

Duke Street

### The Dismissal

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God.*

### Voluntary

*Prelude and Fugue in E-minor, BWV 533*

J.S. Bach

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.

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30AM

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**Celebrant**

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

**Preacher**

The Reverend Deacon Nick Kohlmann

**Gospeller**

The Reverend Deacon Kay Swindell

**Verger**

Leon Tillery

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Scott Sheble | Suzanne Sramek | Royster Hedgepeth

**Altar Server**

Mary Jeffreys Nipper

**Crucifers**

Mary Jeffreys Nipper | Turner Tait

**Gospel Book Bearer**

Hazel Lee

**Torchbearers**

Kate Anlyan | Charlie Nipper

**Lectors**

Teresa Singer | Kathryn Hedgepeth

**Intercessor**

Barbara Bucci

**Vestry Person of the Day**

Scott Sheble

**Ushers**

Owen Aylesworth | Greg Kutrow | John Fonda

Rob Nipper | Dick Rowe

**Greeters**

Paula Waterfield | Eleonora Gafton

**Flower Guild**

Michele Ryan | Marietta Dolman

**Altar Guild**

Sally Pope | Zona Tounsley | Valerie DeJarld

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

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**Sunday, August 16, 2026**

**The Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost**

**8:00am** Holy Eucharist (*no Koffee Klatch*)

**9:15am-12pm** Nursery open

**9:30am** Coffee with the Rector (*Parish Hall*)

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

**Tuesday, August 18**

**7:30am** Companions in Faith Book Group (*Zoom*)

**9:00am** Morning Prayer (*Zoom*)

**Wednesday, August 19**

**12:10pm** Midday Eucharist (*No lunch until fall*)

**Thursday, August 20**

**8:30am** GNP + St. Fiacre Garden Guild Work Day

**9:00am** Morning Prayer (*Zoom*)

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

**Friday, August 21**

**8:00am** Mensgroup (*Parish Hall*)

**8:30am** Mother Hubbard's Cupboard packing (*MHC*)

**Next Sunday, August 23, 2026**

**The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**8:00am** Holy Eucharist (*no Koffee Klatch*)

**9:15am-12pm** Nursery open

**9:30am** Coffee with the Rector (*Parish Hall*)

**10:30am** Choral Eucharist with Blessing of the Backpacks (***Light Reception with Children, Youth & Family Ministry Fair to follow in the Parish Hall***)

*Happening today!*

**MORE  
COFFEE WITH  
THE RECTOR**

Gather in the Parish Hall for more **Coffee with the Rector**. As St. Paul's marks five years of shared ministry, our Rector will continue his reflections on the journey so far and the opportunities that lie ahead.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16**

9:30AM | St. Paul's Parish Hall





### Diaper Drive

**We are making it very easy to participate!**

Until August 30th, you will notice a bin outside the Sanctuary where we will be collecting diapers of all shapes and sizes. We gladly accept donations of new and opened packages of baby diapers, feminine hygiene products, and adult incontinence products.

If you would rather give virtually, without doing the shopping yourself, you can simply use the St. Paul's link and diapers will be shipped directly to the Diaper Bank. <https://a.co/00K5mzul>

*Writing a check?* Be sure to include **Diaper Drive** in the memo line!

Contact Steve Bucci for more info:  
sbucci@hotmail.com

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As a new school year begins, St. Paul's invites students of all ages, teachers, school staff, and lifelong learners to bring their backpacks, briefcases, or work bags to church for a special **Blessing of the Backpacks**.

This joyful tradition is a way for our church family to surround our students and educators with prayer, encouragement, and God's love as they step into a new season of learning and growth. During the service, we will offer a blessing over each person, asking God to grant wisdom, courage, and kindness in the year ahead.

Whether you are starting kindergarten, heading to college, teaching in a classroom, or supporting education in any way, you are welcome. Each participant will receive a small tag or token as a reminder that God's presence goes with them every day.

Come and be blessed — and let's begin this school year together in faith, hope, and love.

*"Let the wise hear and increase in learning, and the one who understands obtain guidance."* — Proverbs 1:5

# WE NEED YOU!

## HOSPITALITY CREW

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**Requirements:** Be willing to serve approximately once a month with a team.

- Sunday Koffee Klatch following the 8am service
  - pastries, bagels or English muffins provided (or bring your own)
  - set up and cleanup
- Sunday Receptions following the 10:30am service
  - supply food, set up and clean up
- Wednesday Lunch following the midweek Eucharist
  - supply food, set up and clean up

DO NOT FORGET TO  
SHOW HOSPITALITY TO  
STRANGERS, FOR BY SO  
DOING SOME PEOPLE  
HAVE SHOWN  
HOSPITALITY TO ANGELS  
WITHOUT KNOWING IT.  
HEBREWS 13:2



MARGARET HAUGHEY  
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### Join the Hospitality Crew!

*At St. Paul's, we believe that every person who walks through our doors is a beloved child of God.*

That's why we're inviting you to join our Hospitality Crew and help us practice **radical hospitality**: intentionally welcoming all people with warmth, kindness, inclusion, and Christ's love, especially newcomers and those seeking connection.

Whether you enjoy greeting people, helping with coffee hour, or creating a welcoming atmosphere, there's a place for you on the team. Come be part of helping everyone feel seen, valued, and at home at St. Paul's.

If you are interested in being a part of the Hospitality Crew, please see **Margaret Haughey** or **Lois Moore** in the Parish Hall following the 10:30AM Choral Eucharist.

**Baptism Sign-ups are open. Call or email the Parish Admin Office to be added to the list today!**



## ST. PAUL'S Episcopal Church

### Sacrament of HOLY BAPTISM

**Sunday, September 13, 2026  
10:30 am Choral Eucharist**

*Please contact the church office if you are interested in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for yourself or a loved one.*

admin@spechurch.com  
910-762-4578

### In Our Parish

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Catherine Thompson Allan | Thomas Freeling        |
| Eileen Searle            | Bill Garmon            |
| Lloyd Olsen+             | Katherine Ramsey       |
| Tammy Pollock            | Jaime Bellamy          |
| Caroll Joines            | Richard Banks+         |
| JoAnn Summey             | Jeffrey Sackrison      |
| John Efthemis            | Retha Deaton           |
| Sara Fruechtenicht       | Ronald Miller          |
| Louise Joyner            | Gladys & Bob Remillard |
| Ron Miller               | Norman LaSalle         |
| Susan McGee              | Maryelle Jones         |
| Carla Ortiz              | Ashley Eason           |
| Teddy Kraszeski          | Marie Ashworth         |
| Luvette Hickey           | Jerry West             |
| Lili Fiore               | Bill Day               |
| Pam Garmon               | Peter Hoff             |
| Alix Dorr                |                        |

### People Requesting Prayer

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Gayle Fowler      | Mary Lou Homestead |
| Tracy Sorrenti    | Michael Stroud     |
| Whitney           | Kirk Conyers       |
| Stewart Schall    | Johnson Tilghman   |
| Lyn Keating       | Holly              |
| Sylvia List       | Lindsay            |
| Leslie Sternstein | Cindy Kitterman    |
| Tina Sorrenti     | Gail Keel          |
| Shelley Tucker    | Cathy Whiteside    |
| Jennifer          | Nathaniel Cohen    |
| Ken Beaver        | Paula Brown        |
| Jeff Curcio       | Alex and squad     |

### 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](http://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.**

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## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

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### Vanco Online Giving



### ST. PAUL'S BLESSING BOX

I was filling the blessing box with bottles of water because of the extreme heat. I noticed there already was water & snacks someone donated. As I was doing this, a delivery truck drove by. The driver waved & yelled, "Keep up the good work!!!"

I waved and thanked him.

His message of thanks is for **everyone** because of your compassion and generosity for the "least of Mine".

*I am so grateful to be a member of St Paul's. Amen.*

*~Judith*

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## ST. PAUL'S WELCOMES YOU

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**We are glad you are with us today.** If you are new to St. Paul's, please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate or give it to a greeter or an usher. Here are some quick facts that may be helpful.

**Welcome:** All are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer not to receive, you can remain seated, or come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. If you are allergic to wheat products, gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let your request be known to the priest as you approach the altar rail.

**Help:** Please see any of our ushers for assistance when you enter the worship area.

**Handicapped Parking:** Our facility is handicapped accessible with multiple handicapped parking spaces available in the lot off Market Street and the lot off Princess Street. Handicap ramps serve both parking lots.

**Live-Streamed:** Our service is live-streamed on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 am Please subscribe to St. Paul's on YouTube to view live-streamed services and concerts.

**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 6 mos. - age 5.

**Sunday School:** Sunday School meets from 9:30-10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing for ages pre-K to 5th grade.

**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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