

# SAINT PAUL'S EPISTLE

Our mission at Saint Paul's is to: **welcome** all people; **proclaim** the good news of Jesus Christ; **experience** a personal relationship with Him; and joyfully **share** God's love with others.

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# HAPPENING THIS MONTH

Pet Blessing Sunday October 6 4:00 p.m. Church Lawn

Beach Clean Up Day Sunday October 13 4:00 p.m.

Family Day at Mike's Farm Saturday October 19 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

> Octoberfest Sunday October 27 5:00 p.m. Keever Hall

# FROM PASTOR JONATHAN

Whenever I talk with our members and visitors about the future of St. Paul's, I always start out by saying, "We have to be prepared for the growth we are going to experience."

As we approach 2020, St. Paul's has a lot of momentum when it comes to serving God and neighbor. We are involved in important programs such as the Monday Night Meals, Holiday Feedings, Lutheran Refugee Services through our Quilters that provide quilts to families around the world.

Over the past two years, we have had over 50 people join St. Paul's, and almost all of them have joined ministries and programs ranging from Greeters to VBS volunteers.

But what does all this growth mean? I believe it means God is preparing us for our future work both within and outside our church walls. God is bringing us together so that the Good News of Jesus Christ can be told and shared to everyone.

And the Good News will continue to be shared by the ministries that I mentioned as well as new programs such as Campus Ministry for UNCW/CFCC, Saturday Night Feast Gatherings, Habitat for Humanity, and Intergenerational Faith Formation.

As the congregation grows, so does our community. Wilmington continues to be one of the fastest growing cities not only in North Carolina but the entire Southeast. With more people making Wilmington their home, our congregation can reach out and make them feel welcome, loved, and invited to be a part of our mission.

In order for us to meet God's call we have to be ready. We have to be ready to respond by our giving of our time, talents, and treasures. And we ARE ready. Because we know who has prepared us, and who it is we do this for: God.

I thank all of you for being a part of this amazing congregation!

### **OCTOBERFEST**

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 5:00 p.m. KEEVER HALL

Come enjoy our German heritage with food, fellowship, and music!

Menu: Bratwurst, German Potato Salad, Sauerkraut, Red and Green Cabbage, Apple Dessert

Children's Menu: Hot Dogs and Chips

Tea and coffee will be provided. The cost is \$10 per person and children under 12 are free. **Reservations including payment are required**. Email the church office at info@stpaulswilmington.org to make yours!

### PET BLESSING

St. Paul's Annual Pet Blessing Sunday, October 6 4:00 p.m. Church Lawn

# MYRTLE BEACH TRIP

Join your church family for our annual Myrtle Beach Trip December 2-4!

Rates include two night accommodations and taxes, admission to the Alabama Theatre, admission to the Carolina Opry, and breakfast each morning.

### Cost:

Single Occupancy: \$257.24 per person Double Occupancy: \$174.30 per person Triple Occupancy: \$147.00 per person Quad Occupancy: \$132.16 per person

If there is interest in taking the church bus, Patsy Perhala is willing to drive. Reservations including payment are due by November 1. Checks can be made payable to Bev Friese. Contact Bev at friese2@bellsouth.net or 910-397-0214 with any questions and to sign up.

# A How-To Guide for Giving Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a wonderful gift to the church. Given to the glory of God, flowers are a way to share celebration of a special occasion or remember a loved one.

Check the flower chart outside the church office in the Administration Building. Put your name and phone number on the date you desire (if available) and you will receive a reminder phone call a week or two before your requested date.

Contact Eddie's Floral Gallery at 910-791-0990. Make arrangements with the florist for the flowers desired (they start at \$45 a vase) and method

of payment (credit card or check). Eddie has a church key and will deliver your flowers and put them in place on Saturday.

Email Kathleen at the church office (info@stpaulswilmington.org) by 3:00 pm on Wednesday before the Sunday the flowers are in church and give her the dedication information for the Sunday bulletin.

At the time of the reminder phone call, please let the Flower Committee contact know if you are taking the flowers after the 11:00 am service. If you do not choose to pick them up, they will be delivered to Trinity Grove.

If you want the flowers taken to another facility or person and you can't pick them up, please let the Flower Committee know, and make arrangements for someone else to take the flowers.

You can choose another florist, if preferred, but it will be up to you to ensure the flowers are delivered and to provide entry to the church when delivered.

Any time you have questions you can contact Kathryn Crutchfield at 910-799-1481 (leave a voice mail) and I will try to answer your questions or get you to the right person.

### BEACH CLEAN UP

# God's Work Our Hands Service Days

Join us as we live out our faith in service to our community by cleaning up our Wrightsville area beach! ALL ages and families are invited! Meet at Wrightsville Beach Public Access #4, L Lot on Sunday, October 13, at 4pm. To carpool, meet in Lumina Station's Harris Teeter parking lot, on Eastwood. Contact Chelsea Bradshaw or Susan Jackson with questions.

Trash-bags and work gloves will be available. Bring your own work gloves if you have them! Bring your own filled water bottle. For more information about God's Work our Hands, visit: <a href="https://www.elca.org/dayofservice">https://www.elca.org/dayofservice</a>



### VALENTINE BOXES

Hello! My name is Sally Gibbons and, along with Beth Pottle, we will be sending SURPRISE VALENTINE BOXES to all of our youth that are in college or a solider currently serving in the military.

Right now we need all of the names addresses from you. You may leave the information in John Gibbons' mailbox in the Administration Building or send me a text at (609) 577-1225. More news to follow!

# HABITAT PAINT DAY

Habitat Builds Paint Day has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 5.

Shifts: 7:45 am- 11:30am or 11:30

am- 2:00 pm

Minimum Age: 14 years old

Required: wear closed-toed shoes.

Service projects for teens and children younger than 14 will be available off-site. Lunch will be provided for both shifts at 11:30 am.

Sign-up: Contact Susan Jackson or visit: https://www.signupgenius.com/ qo/70A0E4CADAB29AAF49-habitat

### THANK YOU

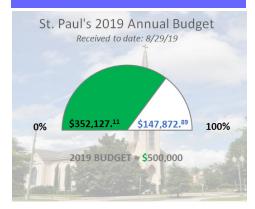
FROM JESSIE MIARS...

Knee replacement recovery is an arduous process, but it has been made much easier by all the cards, notes, texts, and prayers from my St. Paul's family. Pre- and post-surgery visits from Pastor Jonathan and Pastor Mark were timely and much appreciated. Every patient should have such a caring support group — an excellent prescription for healing. Many thanks for all your kind thoughts and wishes for a speedy recuperation!

FROM GLORIA GARRETT...

Just to say that I appreciate all the lovely cards I received during my recent surgery. The prayers I am sure helped me recover!

### **STEWARDSHIP**



# YOUTH GROUP

### Sunday October 6, 4:00 pm

Bring your pets for a Blessing of the Animals!

# Sunday October 13, 4:00pm: Wrightsville Beach Cleanup Event

We will gather together for dinner afterwards.

### Sunday, October 20, 5:00 pm: Youth Group

Dinner, Devotion, Games, and discussion on winter and summer plans.

### Saturday, October 26, 5:00 pm:

Serve dinner during the Feast Gathering. Come help prepare dinner and/or serve for the Feast Gatherings weekly meal. The Feast Gathering is a non-profit that provides a meal and follows with a worship service. They meet at St. Paul's weekly on Saturday evenings.

# Sunday October 27, 5:00 pm: Oktoberfest at St. Paul's.

Music, dancing, food, and fun!

# FAMILIES TOGETHER

### St. Paul's Families Together

When: October 27 Time: 10:15 am–10:45 am

Who: Families with young children

and teens.

Where: Upstairs in Keever Hall

Theme: Martin Luther and the Refor-

mation

Come learn about how Martin Luther helped us grow in our faith! Read Scripture Together, Pray Together, and Grow Stronger in your faith together!

### CONFIRMATION

October 6, 4:00 pm Blessing of the Animals

October 13, 4:00 pm Wrightsville Beach Cleanup Service Event

October 20, 4:00 pm Confirmation Class

October 26, 5:00 pm Serve at the Feast Gathering

October 27, 5:00 pm St. Paul's Oktoberfest

# FAMILY DAY

# St. Paul's Family Day at Mike's Farm

Saturday, October 19, 10am-2:00 pm

Come experience a hayride, pumpkin patch, petting zoo, and have lunch together!

Lunch: Picnic Style, Concessions, or Restaurant are available (Restaurant menu: chicken, biscuits, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, and dessert (\$15.99 adult, \$7.99 for ages 7-11, \$5.99 for 6 and under).

The hayride cost will be covered by St. Paul's. Families may buy their own pumpkins and bring/purchase lunch. Do you want to carpool? Let Susan Jackson know by Tuesday, October 15!

### **COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Do you have a college student in your household? We want to support our students while they are in school (either local or away). Please send their names, school, academic year, and addresses to Susan Jackson: SJackson@stpaulswilmington.org.

# A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF: KASEY CUMMINGS

Do you wonder what our youth are up to during the week?

Monday: School departure: 7:30 am. Spent day in class, marching band and oboe practices. After departing school at 4:00 pm, went straight to an oboe lesson and arrived home between 7:00 and 7:30 pm. Following dinner, time was spent on homework for nursing fundamentals, Spanish test. Sleep at 10pm

Tuesday: School departure 7:30 am. Engages in Nursing Fundamentals, Spanish, Band, and other courses. As President of Health Occupations of America organization, plans and attends meeting, followed by band practice until 6:00 pm. After dinner, heads back out to a Venture Crew

meeting from 7:00-8:00 pm and then works on homework until bed at 10:00pm.

Weds: Departs by 7:30, breakfast and scrub shopping with Nursing fundamentals class, returns to school for a Spanish test, other courses, and band practice until 5:30 pm. Evening spent on homework with bed at 10:00 pm Thurs: Departs for school at 7:30 am, attends classes, works on HOSA projects for club fair, and has marching band practice until 6pm. Goes home for dinner and homework, including studying for 89 word vocab quiz and flashcard check.

Friday: Departs at 7:30 am, arrives to school for nursing quiz and flashcard check, arrives in Spanish to receive a verbal presentation project due on

Monday, and attends Band class. After school, baby-sat from 4:30 until 8:40 pm. Bed time approximately 11pm.

Sat: After waking up at 8am, was able to spend time with friends most of the day. At 5pm, helped with family dinner, household chores, and worked on HOSA and Girl Scout Gold Award projects.

Sun: Worked in Church nursery from 8:45 am— 12:30 pm, volunteered at youth day/ Cub scout day as then participating in mom's birthday celebration, finishing schoolwork afterwards. bed at approx. 10pm.

\*Kasey would love for you to watch her marching band at Laney Highschool football games! Kasey is also working on her Girl Scout Gold Award Project. Ask her about it! \*

# PICTURES FROM AROUND ST. PAUL'S



Our Handbell Choir and Praise Team practicing with the guidance of Robby Anderson and Connie Batchelder.



A year after Hurricane Florence brought them down, our steeple finials have been replaced!











Many thanks to our St. Paul's Men in Mission for stripping and waxing the floors in Keever Hall!







Property Team projects continue around the church, including the repair and renovation of classrooms upstairs in Keever Hall and the Administration Building bathroom project.



Youth Mission Presentation







Learning how to make Chrismons with Ruth Farabee









Shrimp Boil at the Hanover Seaside Club









Finance Team Meeting in the Church Office



Wednesdays Together with Randy Evans from Walking Tall



# OCTOBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

_	tes (9 a.m.)	Greeters (9 a.m.)			BIRTHDAYS
6	Volunteer Needed	6	Howie & Nancy Martin		
13	Sam Beasley	13	Steve & Judy Beach	2	Betty Black
20	Delilah Mills	20	Betsy & Mary Rullman		Carl Cerniglia
27	Volunteer Needed	27	Larry & Tammi Gates		Tiffany Friedl
		Greeters (11 a.m.)		3	Joe Augustine
	tes (11 a.m.)	6	Nathan & Sarah Askwith	4	Kitty Jamieson
6	Addie Kitchens	13	Arlene Boscarino, Diane Leiser		Lillian Kelley
13	Adam Russell	20	Jody Pfeffer, Lynda Shell	6	Dan Dresher
20	Daisy Gaither	27	Mark & Jill Bergman		Merton Vance
27	Michael Walters		J	9	Joseph Sisk
	<b>.</b>	Monday Night Community Dinner		10	Barry Acker
Altar		7	Betsy Rullman, Mary Rullman,		Zachary Dixon
6	Sue & Carla Wiechman		Anita Heston, Mike Leiser,	11	Gary Marinko
13	Fran & Walt Denninger		John Gibbons, Tara Law, Lucy		Howie Martin
20	Marjorie Carano, Voncile		Holman		Kathy Russ
	Echevarria	14	Anita Heston, Mike Leiser,	12	Christa Gerfelder
27	Ruth Farabee, Debbie Farabee		Sandy & Peter Barrett, Jim		Lee Mason
_	_		Bauer, Tara Law, Lucy		Margaret Musacchio
Careg			Holman, Cathy & Dave		Herbie Walton
6	Becky Knott		Cummins	13	Jim Bauer
13	Jody Pfeffer	21	Nancy Schuenemann, Kathryn		David Trapp
20	Frances Lamb		Crutchfield, Joe & Lynn	14	Doreen Acker
27	Sue Dresher		Mickley, Steve & Judy Beach,	15	Sharon Smith
_			John Gibbons	16	Nathan Askwith
	nunion Assistants (9 a.m.)	28	Linda Evans, Robin Lamb,		Julian Burnett
6	Tammi Gates		Teresa Cox, Judi & Allan		Gregg Surratt
13	Fran & Susan Bolger		Pellnat, John Gibbons	17	Shirley Rhyne
20	Anita Heston, Cindy Killian	Dond	ore (0 o m )	18	Bobby Thomas
27	Dan & Susan Dresher		ers (9 a.m.) Tammi Gates	19	Michelle Coleman
_		6 13			Kate Pottle
	nunion Assistants (11 a.m.)	20	Archie Barringer Karin Mills	21	Jack Wilson
6	Lynda Shell	20 27		22	Brian Cox
13	Robin Hueskes, Susan Jackson	21	Michelle Beasley		Jim Evans
20	Joe & Lynn Mickley	Reade	ers (11 a.m.)	24	Mike Mason
27	Dan & Betty Huggins	6	Lynda Shell		Lori Vidmar
		13	, Peggy Erickson	25	Teddy Janosick
	nunion Guild (9 a.m.)	20	Tom Bertelsen	26	Fairy Hales
6	Bev Friese, Susan Bolger	27	Linda Hall		Donald Hall
13	Helen Romeo				Lon Ostby
20	Michelle Beasley		rs (9 a.m.)		Lisa Seifert
27	Susan Bolger	6	Dave & Cathy Cummins	28	Marcia Kallfelz
		13	Larry & Tammi Gates		Kyle Rehder
	nunion Guild (11 a.m.)	20	Joe & Lynn Mickley	30	Kathryn Crutchfield
6	Louisa Miars, Jessie Miars	27	Billy Mason, Eric Mason		Voncile Echevarria
13	Lynn Mickley	Usher	rs (11 a.m.)		Charlotte Farr
20	Kathryn Crutchfield	6	Al Cheatham, Wilson Horton,		Mercedes Ludlum
27	Christa Gerfelder		Joe Augustine, Walt		Gail Tomson
_			Denninger, Larry Lewis		Anniston VandeVeer
Crucit	fers (11 a.m.)	13	George Russ, Mike Flack, Jack	31	Kirk Brown
6	Ralph Sizemore	_0	Baily, Tom Bertelsen, Bob		Debra Hadding
13	Susan Jackson		Poole		Shirley Koenig
20	Nathan Holzberger	20	Dan Huggins, Mike Mason,		-
27	Richard Walters	_0	Nick Grubbs, Jim Bailey		
		27	Peter Miars, Julian Burnett,		
		_,	Matt Fox, Allen Mason		
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# ST. PAUL'S OCTOBER 2019 CALENDAR

Sat	5 Habitat Builds Paint Day 10 a.m. Praise Team Practice (Parlor) 5 p.m. Feast Gathering (Keever)	12 9 a.m. Men in Mission 5 p.m. Feast Gathering (Keever)	19 10 a.m. Family Day (Mike's Farm) 5 p.m. Feast Gathering (Keever)	26 5 p.m. Feast Gathering (Keever)	
Fri	4	11	18	25	
Thu	3 6 p.m. TOPS (Parlor) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex)	10 6 p.m. TOPS (Parlor) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex)	6:30 p.m. TOPS (Parlor) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 6:30 p.m. Evangelism Team Meeting (Library)	24 6 p.m. TOPS (Parlor) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 7 p.m. Leland Bible Study Cirde	<b>31</b> 6 p.m. TOPS (Parlor)
Wed	2 5 p.m. Handbell Choir (Parlor) 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir (Parlor)	9 5 p.m. Handbell Choir (Parlor) 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir (Parlor)	16 5 p.m. Handbell Choir (Parlor) 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir (Parlor) Family Promise	23 5 p.m. Handbell Choir (Parlor) 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir (Parlor)	5 p.m. Handbell Choir (Parlor) 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesdays Together (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir (Parlor)
Tue	1 9 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 2 p.m. Circle 4 2:45 p.m. Staff Meeting (Library) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	8 9 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 2:45 p.m. Staff Meeting (Library) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	15 9 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 2:45 p.m. Staff Meeting (Library) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	22 9 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 2:45 p.m. Staff Meeting (Library) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	29 9 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 2:45 p.m. Staff Meeting (Library) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)
Mon		7 7 p.m. Monday Night Community Dinner	14 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting (Annex) 7 p.m. Monday Night Community Dinner	21 7 p.m. Monday Night Community Dinner	58 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music Team Meeting (Annex) 7 p.m. Monday Night Community Dinner
Sun		6 9 a.m. Celebration Service 10 a.m. Breakfast 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 4 p.m. Pet Blessing	9 a.m. Celebration Service 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 4 p.m. Beach Clean Up (Wrightsville Beach)	20 9 a.m. Celebration Service 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 4 p.m. Confirmation Class 5 p.m. Youth Group	27 9 a.m. Celebration Service 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 5 p.m. Octoberfest (Keever)