



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

*Church Office Closed
Monday
September 3*

*Rally Day
Sunday
September 9*

*Rally Day Shrimp Boil
Hanover Seaside Club
Sunday
September 9
4:00 p.m.*

*Shave for Sean
Saturday
September 22
1:00 p.m.*

*Yard Sale
Saturday
September 29
7:00 a.m.*

FROM PASTOR JONATHAN

When I was younger, one of my favorite magazines to buy was TV Guide's Fall Premiere Issue. It would cover all the new shows premiering on network television for the coming season. There was also an article spotlighting major storylines for all the returning shows. Reading the magazine got me excited about the new season.

This month, I want to share with you my excitement because our church has its own Fall Premiere which we call Rally Day. This year, Rally Day is September 9, and we will be kicking off a new season of programs and events for our congregation.

Some of the returning programs are Sunday School (for both children and adults), Thursday Night Women's Bible Study, and Confirmation. There are new programs premiering such as Confirmation Saturdays, Youth Ministry Sundays, and Wednesday Friends and Family Night (the new name for Wednesdays Together featuring meals and bible study).

This month will also feature four major events: Rally Day Sunday Breakfast (September 9), the Rally Day Shrimp Boil (September 9 at the Hanover Seaside Club), Shave for Sean (September 22), and the Fall Yard Sale (September 29).

Actually, this sounds more like Rally Month, doesn't it? And this is just what is happening in September! Over the next few months we will have special events such as: Oktoberfest, Blessing of the Animals, Quilt Sunday, Fall Stewardship, and Reformation Sunday.

As we kick-off the fall, I want you to feel the same excitement as I do when it comes to life at St. Paul's. We have a lot of programs you can be a part of, and with your participation this congregation can truly reach its goals to bring Christ to not only our homes but the world at large.

FALL YARD SALE

**Saturday, September 29
7 a.m.—1 p.m.**

St. Paul's will be holding a Fall Yard Sale on Saturday, September 29 from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any profits from this yard sale will go to the Keever Roof Retirement Fund.

Additionally, if you would like to set up your own yard sale at that time, outdoor double-parking lot sized spaces will be available in our parking lot for \$10. Each seller is responsible for their own set-up, breakdown, clean-up, and sales; all proceeds belong to the seller.

We will be collecting donated items starting Wednesday, September 26, in Keever Hall. Please contact Clarence Hales or Linda Evans (910-538-5194) to reserve a parking lot space or with any questions.

RALLY DAY SHRIMP BOIL

**Sunday, September 9
4 p.m. until 7 p.m.
Hanover Seaside Club
601 S. Lumina Ave.
Wrightsville Beach**

Menu: Shrimp, corn on the cob, potatoes, slaw, and hot dogs for the kids. Soft drinks and water included.

Cost is \$14.00 per person, \$35 max per family (two adults + children). Reservations requested. Please email the church office at info@stpaulswilmington.org.

Come enjoy food fellowship and fun enjoying the last days of summer with your toes in the sand, a stroll on the beach, and gather a few shells as the sun sets.

FROM PASTOR MARK

Dear Church Family,

I recently shared with you an email sent August 14, in which I described that I was going to have an outpatient prostate procedure at Duke hospital that day. Thankfully it went well, and I am currently recovering. Because our September newsletter deadline is August 20, I expect to be well on the road to full recovery by the time you read this.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks for all your prayers and support during my recent illness. Your emails, text messages and cards have meant a lot to me. With each expression of care I am reminded of the joy I have in serving such a loving and caring congregation. I look forward to being in normal ministry mode very soon. Blessings and thanks again.

Joyfully in Christ,
Pastor Mark

RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 9

Education is vital to the growth of our faith lives. St. Paul's offers many opportunities for families to grow in their faith throughout the year, including Sunday morning Sunday school. Everyone is invited to join us for Rally Day fun! Breakfast will be provided, activities for children/families available, and time to greet your Sunday School teacher! Sunday School teachers will also be installed on Rally Day.

Nursery time is provided for babies and toddlers 3 and under.

PreK-5th Grade- Chelsea Bradshaw (2nd Floor/ Keever Hall)

6th- 12th Grade- Susan Jackson (Youth room)

Java with Jesus- Patrick Bradshaw (Keever Hall)

Adult Sunday School- Billy Mason (Annex)

FROM BILL REMELE

Heartfelt thanks are extended to all who brought food, planned, cleaned up, or attended in person or spirit. My twenty-fifth anniversary celebration was truly spectacular! Where have the years gone? I remember my first Sunday at St. Paul's like it was yesterday. Emma Hanson and Eric and Allen Mason, elementary school students then, came up to the organ after church to get acquainted. I knew immediately that I was in the right place. What a treasure St. Paul's has been to all of us!

Looking toward fall, Church Choir will resume Wednesday evening rehearsals September 5. Handbells will continue to practice Wednesday afternoons at 5:00, and we could use one more player! Praise Team is looking at also practicing Wednesday evenings. SPIRIT will continue to practice Sunday afternoons as announced. Let's have another great year for music at St. Paul's - my twenty-sixth! Fellow music staff members, Connie and Robby, will join me in welcoming you!

SHAVE FOR SEAN



Shave for Sean
Saturday, September 22
1-4 p.m.
Keever Hall

A head shaving event along with a bake sale and silent auction to raise money for Childhood Cancer research. Visit the site below and join the excitement! Volunteers are needed! Looking for extra hands, baked goods, and items for the silent auction. Thanks!

Contact Corinna Fleming (910-352-4384) for more information. www.stbaldricks.org/events/shaveforsean6

FROM SUSAN JACKSON

I am excited to be joining you as your Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator. Many of you probably saw my biography in July's newsletter, but here are some facts about me: I was born in Salisbury, MD, where my immediate family still resides. I attended Lenoir Rhyne University in Hickory and am an avid LR Bears fan. I currently serve on the Lenoir Rhyne Alumni Association Board. I have served in ministry settings in South Carolina, Florida, and most recently, in Hickory NC. I like Orioles baseball, even when they have poor seasons, Reese's Cups, Disney World, and learning about different cultures and history.

I am a believer that youth ministry needs to be congregational and inter-generational. Our young people learn about their faith from the adults in their lives- those who impact them, care for them, and share God's love with them. If you do not have a child in your house, you are still important to the lives of our young people. Please pray for them, tell them that you are praying for them, and ask them what is going on in their lives. As our children and youth return to school, they will be facing difficult and exciting days. There are several ways that you can be involved, but the most important is just talking to them on Sundays. Don't be afraid to ask questions- they will answer back!

Question Ideas:

- What made you smile this week?
- Can you tell me an example of kindness that you saw or shared with someone else this week?
- What was the most creative thing that you did?
- What was the hardest part of your week? Why?
- How did you experience God this week?
- What was the best part of your week?

Ways you can contact me:
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NEHEMIAH TEAM UPDATE

Handicap/Family Bathroom Construction Begins Soon

The Nehemiah Team and the Property Committee are pleased to announce that construction of the long awaited, much needed handicap/family bathroom project is expected to begin soon. The project was approved by the Congregation at our November 2017 Annual Meeting and the \$82,500 budget (including a \$10,000 contingency) was approved by Church Council at their August 2018 Council Meeting. All costs are being funded by Nehemiah Funds.

The current bathroom facilities in the Administration Building are limited and none of the bathrooms are handicap friendly. There are no facilities for families that need to care for disabled loved ones and small children. The handicap/family bathroom will be located in the space between the nursery and the library. The project moves the children's bathroom closer to the exterior wall and fits the family bathroom between the children's bathroom and the interior hallway with access from the hallway. The children's bathroom will continue to be accessed from the nursery.

The construction start date will be announced as soon as we know. Once started construction is expected to take six to eight weeks. The nursery will not be available for four or five of those weeks. Alternative nursery locations will be announced as soon as we know the dates.

Kevin Clamser is the Project Leader and Lee Weddle is the Nehemiah Liaison. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Kevin or Lee. Kevin can be reached at 910-612-5284 or four-clams428@yahoo.com. Lee can be reached at 910-619-8989 or leeweddle@ec.rr.com.

ALTAR GUILD

We wish to thank Anna Cheatham for over 20 years of dedication and service as the chair of St. Paul's Altar Guild committee. Anna has recently resigned and Fran Denninger will now take her place as the Chair of the Altar Guild committee. If you are a current member or would like to join the Altar Guild team, please plan to attend a brief meeting on Sunday, September 9th at 10:15 a.m. in the Church Sanctuary. Questions, please contact Fran Denninger at frandenninger@hotmail.com or 910-383-6840.

SANCTUARY BASEMENT OPEN!

The Nehemiah Team and Property Committee are pleased to announce that the space under the Sanctuary is now available for use. The mold has been removed and the space completely renovated. The space includes two bathrooms, music staff offices, storage spaces, a meeting room with a conference table and chairs, and circular stairs to the choir loft. Please take a look at the space - and use it!!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Quest By Beth Moore

Six Sessions on Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. (two times offered) beginning September 6. Workbooks are available at Lifeway Christian Store. Contact Tammi Gates at (910) 200-4415 for more information

THANK YOU

FROM LINNEA CARLSON...

Thank you to all who have sent me cards and prayers while I have been recuperating from surgery. Thanks also to Pastor Jonathan for your visits to me while I was in NHRMC and your many prayers. I hope to be able to come back to church soon.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY UPDATES

We are very excited to begin another year of Youth and Family Ministry at St. Paul's! We are looking forward to fun and adventure in our Superpeeps, St. Paul's Youth Group, Family Ministry, and Confirmation events.

Superpeeps is for all Prek-5th grade students. Our first fall meeting will be held on September 15 at 4:00 p.m. in Keever Hall.

St. Paul's Youth Group (SPY's) is for all 6th-12th grade students. SPY will meet on Sundays from 5-7pm, in the youth room. Fundraisers, events, and retreats will be held throughout the year!

All families are invited to attend Wednesdays Family and Friends Nights at St. Paul's! Meals begin at 6:00pm followed by activities for children/youth and adults.

September Youth Group Dates:

September 16

(Pizza will be provided)

September 23

(Meal Host needed)

September 30

(Meal host needed)

Events

September 9- Rally Day Shrimp Boil at Hanover Seaside Country Club

September 22- Shave for Sean

September 29- Fall Yard Sale

Youth will be needed to help man a "youth" table. Proceeds from our table will benefit the 2019 Mission Trip. Proceeds from the main Yard Sale will benefit the Keever Hall Roof replacement fund.

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Acolytes (9 a.m.)

2 Volunteer Needed
 9 Adam Russell
 16 Volunteer Needed
 23 Zach Parker
 30 Volunteer Needed

Acolytes (11 a.m.)

2 Nathan & Alexis Holzberger
 9 Michael & Richard Walters
 16 Volunteers Needed
 23 Volunteers Needed
 30 Volunteers Needed

Altar Guild

2 Mari-Louise Rannow, Lynn Mickley
 9 Terri Sandlin
 16 Irma Forger
 23 Sue Wiechman
 30 Fran Denninger

Caregivers

2 Susan Dresher
 9 Becky Knott
 16 Jody Pfeffer
 23 Frances Lamb
 30 Susan Dresher

Communion Assistants (9 a.m.)

2 Tammi Gates
 9 Larry & Becky Knott
 16 Joe & Lynn Mickley
 23 Bob & Cheryl Trapp
 30 Bill & Anita Heston

Communion Assistants (11 a.m.)

2 Tom Bertelsen
 9 Kitty Solomita, Cris Dixon
 16 Ralph & Melinda Sizemore
 23 Bob Stroud, Grover Canady
 30 Tom Bertelsen, Irma Forger

Communion Guild (9 a.m.)

2 Bev Friese, Susan Bolger
 9 Margie Odell
 16 Helen Romeo
 23 Cindy Swicegood
 30 Larry & Marlene Balan

Communion Guild (11 a.m.)

2 Kathryn Crutchfield, Christa Gerfelder
 9 Larry & Alice Hovis
 16 Kay Kruklitis
 23 Anne Mason
 30 Jessie Miars

Crucifers

2 Addison Kitchens
 9 Laurel Meitrodt
 16 Delilah Mills
 23 Volunteer Needed
 30 Meghan Stello

Greeters (9 a.m.)

2 Fran & Susan Bolger
 9 Larry & Tammi Gates
 16 Jim & Janna Bauer
 23 Bob & Joyce Throop
 30 Norma Flax, Gail Cawein

Greeters (11 a.m.)

2 Mike & Lori Flack
 9 Ken & Shirley Koenig
 16 Stan & Maria McLeroy
 23 Arlene Boscarino, Connie Edwards
 30 Ralph & Melinda Sizemore

Monday Night Community Dinner

3 Betsy Rullman, Mary Rullman, Anita Heston, Mike Leiser, John Gibbons, Laurel Meitrodt
 10 Anita Heston, Sandy & Peter Barrett, Mike Leiser, Jim Bauer, Laurel Meitrodt
 17 Peter Miars, Bob Erickson, Steve & Judy Beach, Joe & Lynn Mickley, John Gibbons
 24 Linda Evans, Judi & Allan Pellnat, John Gibbons

Readers (9 a.m.)

2 Tammi Gates
 9 Robert Rehder
 16 Gregg Surratt
 23 Janna Bauer
 30 Bill Shell

Readers (11 a.m.)

2 Tom Bertelsen
 9 Ralph Sizemore
 16 Lynda Shell
 23 Betty Huggins
 30 Peggy Erickson

Ushers (9 a.m.)

2 Larry & Becky Knott
 9 Fran Bolger, Richard Stover
 16 Archie Barringer, Jim Bauer
 23 Robert Rehder, Bob Rehder
 30 Gary & Lori Vidmar

Ushers (11 a.m.)

2 Betty Huggins, Lynda Shell, Bettielou Weddle
 9 Jere Walton, Ralph & Melinda Sizemore, Irma Forger, Grover Canady
 16 Mike Walton, Lee Weddle, Reed Higgins, Ron Ackerly
 23 Larry Hovis, Nicky Grubbs, Nate & Sarah Askwith
 30 Al Cheatham, Wilson Horton, Joe Augustine, Walt Denninger, Larry Lewis

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 Louise Perkins
 Teri Warren
 2 Mary Martin
 Erik Paulson
 Craig Schutt
 Mollene Smith
 3 Mason Bruton
 Cameron VandeVeer
 5 Ron Jamieson
 Paul Parish
 7 Tommy Cheatham
 Anna Dixon
 Allison Friedl
 Brent Kitchens
 Evelyn Yarbrough
 9 David Haskins
 Maria McLeroy
 10 Harper Bretz
 11 Ray Pfeifle
 Nick Stephanos
 12 Margaret Baily
 13 Saylor Carriker
 14 Irma Forger
 15 Marin Askwith
 Eric Johnson
 Miriam Marlar
 16 Clara Seifert
 17 Michael Seifert
 18 Jennifer Kitchens
 20 Gail Cawein
 21 Kathy Allen
 Tom Bruff
 Jake Fleming
 Nicky Grubbs
 Tom Mills
 Megan Vogel
 22 Jillian Bretz
 Clarence Hales
 23 Jill Cummings
 Kristine Guthrie
 24 Carolyn Augustine
 25 Jess Parker
 26 Kinsey Gerow
 27 Billy H. Mason
 Patrick Bradshaw
 Peter Miars Jr.
 Lindsey Zurcher

ST. PAUL'S SEPTEMBER 2018 CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 9 a.m. Celebration Service 11 a.m. Traditional Worship	3 Labor Day Church Office Closed 7 p.m. Monday Night Meal Service	4 2 p.m. Circle 4 (Beth Pottle) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	5 4:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 5 p.m. Handbell Practice 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 7:30 p.m. Church Choir	6 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex)	7	8 10 a.m. Praise Team Practice (Parlor) 10 a.m. Men in Mission
9 Rally Day 9 a.m. Celebration Service 10 a.m. Breakfast 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 4 p.m. Rally Day Shrimp Boil (Hanover Seaside Club)	10 9:30 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 6:30 p.m. Council Meeting (Annex) 7 p.m. Monday Night Meal Service	11 9:30 a.m. Quilting Workshop (Keever) 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	12 5 p.m. Handbell Practice 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesday Friends & Family Night (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir	13 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex)	14	15 4 p.m. Super Peeps (Keever)
16 9 a.m. Celebration Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 2:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 4 p.m. Confirmation (Annex) 5 p.m. Youth Group	17 9:30 a.m. Project Linus (Keever) 7 p.m. Monday Night Meal Service	18 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	19 5 p.m. Handbell Practice 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesday Friends & Family Night (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir	20 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex)	21	22 1 p.m. Shave for Sean (Keever)
23 9 a.m. Celebration Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 5 p.m. Youth Group	24 7 p.m. Monday Night Meal Service	25 8:30 p.m. Gateway NA (Keever)	26 5 p.m. Handbell Practice 5:30 p.m. Prayer Group 6 p.m. Wednesday Friends & Family Night (Keever) 7:30 p.m. Church Choir	27 10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 6:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Annex) 7 p.m. Leland Bible Study Circle	28	29 7 a.m. Yard Sale
30 9 a.m. Celebration Service 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Traditional Worship 5 p.m. Youth Group						