

# ST. PAUL'S EPISTLE

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

510 West Main Street Franklin, TN 37064 April 2017

# EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 16 EVENTS

### FLOWERING OF THE CROSS



Children are invited to bring some flowers with them to church to "Flower the Cross." There will be a cross in the narthex where children will place their flowers as soon as they come in the church. No big bouquet necessary! Just a handful of flowers will be perfect!

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**



All ages through 5th grade are invited to hunt eggs! Meet in Founders Hall at 10:00am on Easter Day to divide up into age groups, and go to different "hunting grounds."

# WEEKLY LENTEN SERVICES SCHEDULE

#### Sunday

Holy Eucharist 7:30 am; 8:45am; 11:00am; 6:00 pm

#### Monday

Morning Prayer, 8:00 am Evening Prayer, 6:00 pm

#### Tuesday

Morning Prayer, 7:00 am Evening Prayer, 6:00 pm

#### Wednesday

Morning Prayer, 7:00 am
Holy Eucharist, 12:05 pm
Stations of the Cross, 5:30 pm
Wednesday Lenten Supper & Program, 6:00 pm

#### **Thursday**

Morning Prayer, 7:00 am Evening Prayer, 6:00 pm

#### Friday

Morning Prayer, 7:00 am

# HOLY WEEK SERVICES SCHEDULE

#### Palm Sunday - April 9

Holy Eucharist, 7:30 am; 8:45am; 11:00am; 6:00pm Annual Palm Sunday Procession, 10:00am

### Wednesday - April 12

Holy Eucharist, 12:05pm

Stations of the Cross, 5:30pm

#### Maundy Thursday - April 13

Holy Eucharist and Washing of Feet, 6:30pm

Prayer Vigil, 8pm - Friday Noon

#### Good Friday - April 14

Good Friday Liturgy, 12:00 Noon and 6pm

### Saturday - April 15

The Great Vigil of Easter, 7:30pm

Festival Reception follows service

#### Easter Day - April 16

Holy Eucharist, 7:30 am; 8:45am; 11:00am; 6:00pm Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00am

The Mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church is to Proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ and Care for All

# FROM FATHER BILL

Dear People of St. Paul's,

My time with you is drawing to a close. The search for a new rector is entering its final phase and so I am announcing that my last day as your Priest-in- Charge will be Sunday, April 30th. There is work that is needed to be done at the rectory before you welcome your new Rector and this will give time for some of that to take place.

The Rev. Monna Mayhall will be here to continue to lead parish life, worship, and pastoral care. The Vestry with the leadership of your Senior Warden Jay Fahey and the rest of the Executive Committee will provide leadership until the new Rector arrives.

The Search Committee and Vestry will keep you informed of their progress but it is my understanding that they are very excited about the final candidates. I have every expectation that St. Paul's will continue to be the wonderful community that we all know and love, engaging in Christ's work in the world.

Finally, I wish to say how much I have enjoyed being with you. Thank you for your care for Sara and for me. The sadness that I feel knowing that I will be away from you is matched by my joy in knowing that the love of God shines so brightly through you in this wonderful place.

Peace and all blessings



The Rev. W. H. Barton

## PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR

On Palm Sunday, April 9, at both 8:45 and 11:00, our children will gather and sing a song that they have been working on for several weeks. No need to cross over to different service- there will be two separate choirs of children!

If at all possible, please have your children attend the children's sermon time this coming Sunday, April 2. It will be their last rehearsal, and for their comfort, will be helpful to have.

No special dress required. All they have to do is show up! They will will gather in Founder's Hall before each service on Palm Sunday and we will process in and sing together. They will then join you in the pews. And it is never too late to learn the song. If this Sunday's rehearsal is their first time, no worries. They CAN do it. Thank you, parents and grandparents, for all your help.

## ADULT SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The adult Sunday morning bible study will continue through May. We meet in the EfM room from 10:00 until 10:45 am.

The schedule for April is as follows:

4/2 - Matthew, Chapter 27

4/9 - Palm sunday, No Class

4/16 - Easter, No Class

4/23 and 4/30- 1 Peter

Hope you can join us.

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

# Children's Chapel on Sunday Mornings

On Sunday mornings we offer Children's Chapel for children ages 3 years old – 5th grade age during the 8:45 am and 11:00 am services. Children go to church with their parents/grandparents/guardians. After the Collect, children process out to Founders Hall for liturgy through the lessons, prayers, and activities. Children return to the main church service at the Peace. Children's Chapel engages children through using curriculum through the Episcopal Church, Lesson Plans That Work.

These lesson plans, written by experienced church school teachers, are designed to follow the Revised Common Lectionary and use practical approaches that volunteers can follow. The lesson plans can be used as written or easily adapted when necessary. There is a need for leaders and for helpers.

If you are interested in helping with Children's Chapel or if you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Niemeyer at JenniferNiemeyer@comcast.com



# UPDATE FROM THE RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

We now have our finalists for the St. Paul's Rector!!

Members of the Search Committee have interviewed four candidates for rector. We have traveled to their current parishes and have met with them and their spouses. We have seen them preach and interact with parishioners.

We have been blessed to have a finalists list of very talented, committed individuals. We can visualize each one as the rector for St Paul's and now, after thoughtful consideration, prayer, and discernment, we have four very capable, viable prospects.

We will continue to ask God for guidance and direction, through this next phase. If we open our hearts and mind to his Word, we will hear the message!

The list of finalists has been forwarded to the vestry and the Bishop's office. Once the vestry has made its decision and the Bishop approves it then the new rector will be called.

As we move into the next phase of the search for a new rector, the job of the Search Committee is complete. The committee has done what we were charged to do by the vestry.

This will be the last update that the Search Committee will be providing and we again sincerely thank you for allowing us to serve the members of St. Paul's in the search for a new rector.

# ST PAUL'S FOOD PANTRY

St Paul's has a number of outreach opportunities like the Spring Street Seniors and the Meals-On-Wheels. Did you know that St Paul's has a food pantry for anyone who requires help to get them through the day or days ahead?

Different types of bags are packed for those who have varying needs. There is the Personal–Needs bag, i.e. tooth brush and tooth paste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, comb, etc. There is a Baby-Needs bag with diapers and baby food. There is a Ready-To-Eat bag of peanut butter and jelly, juice, pull tab cans of meat or sausage, etc. for those who do not have the ability to cook. There is the Ready-to-Cook bag of rice, beans, tomato sauce, canned meat, canned vegetables, etc., for those who have access to a refrigerator and/or stove or microwave. And then there is the Cleaning-Supply bag with dish soap, detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, etc.

These bags are available to the staff and clergy of St. Paul's to distribute as necessary.

We thank you for your continued support. Because of your help the food and dry goods are available for distribution. The list of items that we stock is endless. So instead of publishing a list of all the items, it might be prudent to ask for the items that are low.

For example, the pantry is low on peanut butter and jelly, small and large boxed or canned juices, boxes of different stuffing, and dish soap. When you travel pick up the shampoo and extra soap and bag them for the pantry. When the buy-one-get-one-free advertisement is posted, place the second one in your shopping cart for the Church pantry.

And we always need sturdy bags to transport the items. If you have any questions, suggestions or comments, please call, text or email Fred or Rita Warner at FredHWarner@comcast.net or 615-886-0743.

# MEALS ON WHEELS

There are about 25 of us who drive meals on wheels the 3rd Wednesday and Friday of each month. We all have busier lives than ever, believe it or not, and we are in need of a few more drivers due to our busy schedules.

If you are free on the 3rd Wednesday or Friday and would love to help deliver meals please let Kathy Berry know at kmdb3@aol.com or 615-794-9750

# CONSIDER ST. PAUL'S FOR YOUR SMILE.AMAZON. COM CHARITY

St. Paul's is now available for selection as a charitable organization via AmazonSmile! This is "a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you."

To ensure contributions reach St. Paul's, please be sure to select St. Paul's Franklin as your charity at smile.amazon.com. From then on, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to St. Paul's.

## **PFLAG**

# Parents, Families, Friends and Allies United with LGBT People

PFLAG Franklin will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, April 10 at 7:00-8:30pm, in Otey Hall. PFLAG is a national non-profit, support, education and advocacy organization whose purpose is to help people understand and accept everyone equally, including those of diverse sexual orientations and gender identities.

At every meeting we focus on sharing issues, concerns, successes and celebrations surrounding our LGBT friends and families. Meetings are held in a confidential setting. You are invited to join the conversation.

For more information, see our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/pflagfranklintn.

If you have any questions, contact Sharon Collins at 615-591- 5324 or sharoncollins715@gmail.com

PFLAG is the extended family of the LGBTQ community. We're made up of LGBTQ individuals, family members and allies. Together we're stronger.

## NEWSLETTER EMAIL ADDRESS

Please send all submissions for Epistle editions by the 20th of the month to newsletter@stpaulsfranklin.com

# LENTEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Continuing on Apr 5

Stations of the Cross
5:30pm in the Church
Soup Supper
6:00pm in Otey Hall
Lenten Programs
6:30-7:30pm

\*Program for adults runs concurrently\*
(Nursery provided for infants and toddlers)

### FAMILY and CHILDREN

Come join us on an adventure to explore
The Secret Life of PETS

We will learn lessons about God, our neighbors, and ourselves.



Over 5 Wednesday Nights in Lent weeks, we will enter the world of "The Secret Life of Pets" through the watching the movie, playing games, interaction, and crafts! Don't miss out! Come to All God's Creation Room to join us!



## EMMAUS MEAL

When Jesus was at the table with the two people

he had met on the road to Emmaus, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the

road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?"

Luke 24:30-32

The season of Easter is about having our eyes opened and recognizing Jesus. Beginning Thursday April 27, we will offer an evening

Eucharist at 6:00 pm, and continuing on every Thursday evening through June.

This is an informal Eucharist with the opportunity to stay afterwards and engage in conversation and group discussion.

We will gather in the meeting space across from Otey Hall. Bring something to eat if you want to stay after our Emmaus Meal Eucharist.

# 9TH ANNUAL ST. PAUL'S WEDDING AT CANA

The 9th Annual St. Paul's Wedding at Cana will be held on Saturday, May 6th, 2017 in Otey Hall, beginning at 6:30 pm. At our Wedding, instead of turning water into wine, as in Jesus' first miracle, this event helps turn wine into water.

The worldwide need for clean drinking water is more urgent now than at any time in history; every drop is vital, and you, the people of St. Paul's, remain directly engaged in the important ministry of increasing water's availability to those who need it most.

St. Paul's Wedding at Cana serves to raise money for the Clean Water Initiative of Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), the global outreach arm of the Episcopal Church. The Clean Water Initiative ensures the placement of wells and other technologies in developing-world villages without current access to clean water. The positive economic and health impact of such access is

profound, and ERD has acknowledged our specific event on their national website, and has encouraged its adoption in congregations across the country.

Due to the tremendous support of the Women of St. Paul's, the Men of St. Paul's, and many of you, the past five Cana events have raised the \$5,000 necessary to place a well. Thank you; we hope this year's event will be every bit as helpful. We have fun too: St. Paul's Cana event is a wine (with beer also!) and appetizer event where admission is free, and the wine and beer are donated.

Attendees may bring an appetizer sufficient to serve approximately 10-20 people. These appetizers are sampled and rated by the other guests, and the people who bring the highest-rated appetizers walk away with some free wine/beer at the end of the evening! Childcare is also provided, upon request. In thanksgiving for this hospitality, we invite guests to make a donation to ERD, as they are able. Details on the several ways to do this will follow.

Please mark your calendars for this fun but important event, and bring your friends too!

## SOCIAL GRACES

Social Graces is organizing an evening complete with dinner followed by a concert at the Franklin Theatre

Gateway Chamber Orchestra: Celebrating Nature's Beauty

May 1, 2017 6:00pm Catered Dinner at Church \* 7:00pm Theatre Doors open \* 7:30 pm Concert



This event is open to anyone!

About the Concert: As the 2016-17 season concludes, set sail with the Gateway Chamber Orchestra on a captivating musical journey. Celebrating the scenic beauty of Tennessee, John Luther Adam's Become River takes you downstream to be enthralled by Beethoven's "Pastoral" Symphony, which heralds the arrival of summer.

George Butterworth – The Banks of Green Willow John Luther Adams – Become River Ludwig van Beethoven – Symphony No. 6 in F "Pastoral"

About The Gateway Chamber Orchestra: Conducted by Gregory Wolynec, the GCO was formed in 2008 and is recognized as one of the leading new American ensembles. Comprised of professional musicians from Middle Tennessee and beyond, the GCO specializes in presenting traditional masterworks, overlooked treasures, and contemporary American compositions.

Don't miss out on this offer! Act now! The cost is \$30 per person for the evening. To secure your spot, sign up by April 15. Write a check to St. Paul's (social graces in the memo). Contact Monna Mayhall at 615-790-0527 or monna@stpaulsfranklin.com for more information or with any questions you have. Please note dietary restrictions.



# April

## **Diocesan Service Day**

April 22<sup>nd</sup> – 9am-1pm



The youth of The Diocese of Tennessee will be packaging 20,000+ meals in just a few hours through Stop Hunger Now-Rise Against Hunger at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church for our annual Diocesan Youth Service Day. This is an opportunity for youth (grades 6-12) from all parishes to participate in a high-energy, team based, fun atmosphere while making a difference to our neighbors!

## Easter Egg Hunt

April 16<sup>th</sup> – Easter day! Meet at 9am in Barnabas



We will be hiding eggs, hanging out with kiddos, and getting in the Easter spirit!

## **April Events**

- -Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup> Confirmation, and Evening Youth Gathering
- -Apr. 9th Confirmation and EYG
- -Apr. 16<sup>th</sup> Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am
- -Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup> Diocesan Service Day
- -Apr. 23<sup>rd</sup> CITY Confirmation, EYG TBD
- -Apr. 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> SAT. Main Street Festival

Fundraiser - SUN. Confirmation/EYG

-Plans for regular Sunday evening gathering and other more up to date news comes through the weekly <u>Youth News!</u>



## **Evening Youth Gatherings**

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders 5:00 – 7:00 pm In Barnabas – Dinner Provided! More information and Meal Sign-up goes out via Youth News!

### Confirmation

Meets every Sunday at 10:00AM Breakfast snacks provided.

# COLUMBIA/FRANKLIN HIKING CLUB

Trail of Tears National Historical sites, Pulaski and David Crockett State Park. This will be a special mid week TTA hike to become more famil-



iar with the history of the Native Americans, forced off of their lands, and "relocated" to Oklahoma.

On Thursday, April 27, we will visit the Pulaski Interpretive Center. The two land routes, led by Bell and Benge, crossed in Pulaski. The museum documents local Native American History, including a bronze statue of a Cherokee family. Our local guide will take us to the overlook where the two routes intersected in 1838. We will then drive to David Crockett State Park (about 30 minutes) in Lawrenceburg. We will be joined there by a Park Ranger who will be our guide for a 2.5 mile hike (five miles out and back) on a portion of the original Bell route. The trail travels along a ridge line and on

an entrenched road bed. We plan to have a picnic lunch at one of the many shelters in the Park. There are optional trails after lunch.



The Interpretive Center for Trail of Tears in Pulaski (formally a Catholic Church). In front is a giant map of the area with trails marked.

We will meet at 8:00 at Tollgate Medical Plaza, on Hwy 31 (Columbia Pike), just north of 840, drive to Pulaski (about one hour) and then David Crockett Park Bring picnic lunch, water, etc. Trails are easy to moderate. Please call Janeth McKendrick at 615.591.9352 or via email atJanethmck@aol.com if you plan to join us, and please include a contact telephone number with your message. This is a free hike for all interested.

# ST. PAUL'S WOW Week of Wonder

June 26-29

**ROME - Paul and the Underground Church** 



Are you ready for an awesome adventure to Rome to visit Paul and the Underground Church?

There will be exciting places to explore; super crafts to create; delicious snacks; sensational bible stories; marketplace madness, and plenty of fun for everyone!

June 26-29, Mon – Thurs 9:00 am-Noon everyday

### Closing Celebration Potluck Dinner Thursday Night 5:30 pm

Look for registration online or forms in Founders Hall beginning in mid-April.

Participants: Children 3 years old (by 9/30/17) through Children entering 4th grade

Volunteers: Children entering 5th grade through Adults. Volunteers are invaluable! Be sure to let us know where you want to help out.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Monna Mayhall at 615-790-0527 or monna@ stpaulsfranklin.com

We are including younger children in VBS again this year. While programs won't be exactly like that of older children, there will be fun activities and crafts just for them.

# THE HISTORIC CORNER

Easter Celebrations in the Past at St. Paul's. The celebration of Easter at St. Paul's is a

highlight for many in the parish every year – and it seems clear from looking back through our history that this has been true throughout our almost 200 years as a church family.

In 1873, at the Episcopal Convention for the Diocese of Tennessee, held in Memphis, Bishop Quintard included a summary of his activities for the previous year.

The newspaper the Memphis Appeal described that he had participated in Good Friday evening services at St. Paul's that year – and preached to a "goodly congregation."

It must have been a wonderful event for our small parish to have the Bishop worship with them at a time when the congregation was still recovering from the destruction and losses caused by the Civil War.

Several years later, the Nashville American

newspaper published this delightful report on April 11, 1898. It sounds as though not much has changed in 119 years – we still look forward to celebrating Easter with a sanctuary "beautifully decorated with Easter flowers" and magnificent selections of music.

We are fortunate that this account includes so much detail regarding the different services, including a special children's service in the afternoon.

Perhaps this year when you celebrate Easter at St. Paul's you will recall this rich history and remember that we are continuing in some special traditions.



Good Friday—Held services at night in St. Paul's church, Franklin, and preached to a goodly congregation.

#### In Franklin.

FRANKLIN, April 10.—(Special.)—A special Easter service was arranged and conducted at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church to-day, which was beautifully decorated with Easter flowers. Rector S. B. McGlohon officiated. Holy communion at 7 a. m. Children's sorvice at 4:30 p m. At night, 7:30 o'clock; evening prayer, and a sermon on the resurrection. The following pregramme was rendered at the evening service by the choir: Processional hynin, "We March, We March to Victory;" Magnificat, (Garrett); Nunc Dimittis, (J. Turle); hymn 111, "Christ the Lord is Risen:" offeriory, the day of resurrection; recessional, on the resurrection morning.

The Methodist Church was decorated, but no special Easter service was held.

# HISTORICAL COMMITTEE WISH LIST

The Historical Committee continues to meet regularly and we are working diligently to catalog our historic resources. As part of that work we need a fireproof, lockable filing cabinet. If you have one you are willing to donate to the Committee, please let us know!

Additionally, we are in the early stages of planning some events for the coming year.

Stay Tuned!

# THE HISTORY OF ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE

# A GOOD STORY OF SAINTS AND SINNERS

The long awaited and beautiful book chronicling the history of St. Paul's has been well received by the St. Paul's and Franklin community. These books have been selling fast; we have raised over \$4,200 for the Parish's Bicentennial Celebration Fund thus far. Make sure you get your copy of this fascinating story of the spiritual community of St. Paul's. These texts would make a great gift to share with family and friends.

The books are \$15.00 each and can be purchased by contacting the church office at 615-790- 0527 or claire@stplaulsfranklin.com, or Melanie Lampertz w.m.lampertz@comcast.net or 615-887- 3568.

## PARISH NOTES

Sympathy goes to Jim Miller, for the loss of his father, Hugh Miller.

#### **Births**

Congratulations to Chris and Carrie McBrayer on the birth of their son Samuel Thomas McBrayer

Visitors in February through early March

Jennifer and Jason Chaffin Mandy and Jon Giffin Daisy and Matt Hutton Eva and Ricky Johnson Hannah and Kyle Kurlick Ben Norwood

New members by Transfer of Membership

Ann Denson Pam and Malcolm Holley Sarah and Martie Karpie Jean and Bob Larson Kathryn Moran

## BAD GIRLS' BOOK CLUB

The St. Paul's "Bad Girls Book Club" meets the Fourth Tuesday of each month in Founders' Hall from 6: 30 pm until 8:00 pm.

Book selection for April 25th: *Lincoln in the Bardo* by George Saunders

Book selection for May 23:

The Orphan Mother by Robert Hicks

You are invited to join them for any or all meetings throughout the year. They bring snacks, wine or other beverages to share as well.

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The Reverend William H. Barton

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Organist

Carl Freeman

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