

particular needs many plants put in every spring, the tulips along the fence are replanted every fall and watering has to be done every week. Judy Oxford maintains the garden between Otey & Founders and Virginia Callicott maintains the garden at the front entrance. If you would like to help on occasion, or make a special contribution, contact Virginia Callicott (vcallicott@yahoo.com) for the front courtyard, Judy Oxford (judyoxford@comcast.net) for the side courtyard or Pat McGaw for Barnabas. You don't need a green thumb, just a willing spirit.

Contemplative Prayer

Mondays at 6:30 pm in Damascus (old EfM room)

This group meets weekly and is currently using lectio-divina form of contemplative prayer. Everyone is welcome!

Tuesday Morning Lectionary Class

Every Tuesday from 10:30-11:30 am in Damascus

Searching for a better understanding of the readings you hear each Sunday? Every Tuesday morning, a group gathers and studies the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Lively discussion follows. Anyone is welcome to join this jolly crowd!

WITS (Women in Theological Studies)

Thursdays from 9:30 am – 11:00 am in Barnabas (Sept. 12th and 19th)

Women in Theological Study – is starting up again for the Fall. On Sept. 12th, we start a new 5- session study based on the book, Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others, by The Rev'd Barbara Brown Taylor. If you need a book, let me know. Somehow we always have coffee and something to nibble on! If you have any questions, please contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Parish Prayer List

Cleo Cowan, Ginny Harshey, Judy and Fred Ladebauche, Randall McFarland, Susannah Pierce, Marietta Todd, Becky and Muff Farmer, Dave Berexa, Susan Hughes, Sam Austin, Henrietta Hobdy, Denny Wilkening, Alex Wilkerson, Lloyd Griffin, James Dickerson, Ellen More, Ann Conway, Tina Morgan, Natalie Hennes, Jim Gray, Jack Honeycutt, Tom Jordan, Terry O'Donnell, Michelle Blackwelder, Ken Stansberry, Colleen Talbot, Gene Brown, Don and Jean Dicie, Frankie Dorsey, Rob Seabrooks, Dick Reece, Debbie Sharpe, CC Muller, Sam Williams, Laura Turner, Glenn Trahan, Inez Rice, Ann Denson, and Charles Sidberry, Michael, Kaleb, Martha, Linda and Dennis, Linda, Charles, Scott, Alan, Fred, Meg, Fred, Nolen, Frank, Noah, Mary Reed, Delores, Joanne, Dylan, Norman, Mel, Bud, Ernie, Libby, John, Ferris, Sue, Sarah Ashley, Jackie and Wayne, Joe, Jean, Gary, Susan, Mike, Betty, Michael, Karen, Al, Johnney, Sharon, Joyce, Jimmy, Peter, Greg, Ray, Kathy, Edoardo, Mary Catharine, Lorraine, Tammy, Jimmy and Joe, Bob, Noah and Harlow, James, Don and Genie, Ben and Rachel, Bill, John Michael, Chris, Charlie, Leonard, Joyce, Welden, Bill, Lindsey, Linda, Roger, Michael, Bill, Barry, Claire, Reid, Thelma, Lynne, Matt, Ken and Kathy, Ashley, Caroline, Susan, Marianne, Luke



TODAY – September 8, 2019

Holy Eucharist at 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am and 6:00 pm

St. Paul's Rally Day!

Join us today at 10:00 am in Otey Hall for our annual Christian formation kick-off and tail-gate treats!

Acolyte Training – Time changed to 4pm

TODAY! Sunday, September 8th, at 4:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Calling on all our young people....your church needs you! If you are a fourth grader or up, we would love for you to become an acolyte at St. Paul's. Being an acolyte is fun and a big help during worship. Adults are welcome, too! If you are interested in learning more please come to the Acolyte Training session in the church. This training for ALL acolytes, both new and seasoned. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions please contact Father Rusty (rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com).

EYG (Episcopal Youth Group)

Sundays, 10:00 am (Christan Formation) and 5:00– 7:00 pm in Barnabas

While Film School has been a blast, Rally Day also marks the return of our regular schedule. We will kick things off this Sunday night with Messy Games! Youth should wear clothes they don't mind getting dirty.

The Coffee Club is back!

Wednesdays from 6:45 am-7:45 am in Barnabas

Come join the men's bible study every Wednesday morning. Please contact Rev. Rusty McCown with any questions at rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com.

EfM (Education for Ministry) – Alumni Group

Sunday, September 15th at 3:00 pm in Damacus

The EfM (Education for Ministry) Alumni Group will begin the 2019-20 year; Our focus will be a series of sermons on the liturgical year given by The Rev. Barbara Lundsblad, the Joe R. Engle Professor of Preaching *Emerita* at Union Theological Seminary. All EfMers, past and present, are welcome. For more information contact Jean Larson at 847-987-6949 or jam.larson@gmail.com.

Social Graces – “The Mystery and History of St. Paul’s”

Thursday, September 19th, 11:30 am-1:00 pm, Otey Hall

You don't want to miss this special Lunch and Presentation by Scott Smith. Catered lunch is at 11:30 am, with presentation from Noon-1:00pm. Lunch is \$10, and can be paid when you come to the program, but please RSVP by

Monday, Sep 16th, and note any dietary restrictions. RSVP to monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 790-0527.

* *Social Graces is a ministry planned for people 55 years old and older, but anyone, any age is welcome to our programs and events. If you have any questions about Social Graces, please contact Monna Mayhall.*

Pilgrimage to Montgomery

Saturday, September 21nd

The Beloved Community of the Diocese of Tennessee is organizing a pilgrimage to the National Memorial for Peace and Justice & The Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama. The cost of \$55 includes transportation (bus), two meals, and admission. To register, please visit www.EDTN.org. Note: Registration is not complete until payment is received. Deadline to register is September 6. If you have any questions, please contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Gathering for Good – Save the Date!

Wednesday, September 25th, from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm in Otey Hall

Save the date for our next parish-wide Gathering for Good! Come enjoy dinner and some fun music with your church family at St. Paul's *Bluegrass Sit-in!*

Knowing God: A Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays from 9:30 am-11:00 am in Barnabas (BEGINS OCTOBER 1ST)

Knowing God offers an opportunity for women to gather together to deepen their relationship with God, and discover what the Bible says about God's character and attributes. Throughout the year, we will study different themes in the Bible. Our first study beginning Tuesday, October 1st, is a 10-week study entitled, *God of Creation: A Study of Genesis 1-11*, and includes a teaching video, small group-guided discussions, and personal study materials (\$19.50) to prepare you for the group sessions. If you are interested in this study, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527 by September 20th.

Kindling the Fire - Cursillo

October 3-6, 2019 at Dubose Center in Monteagle

Cursillo is a community of faith that is dedicated to exploring the love of God and sharing God's love with each other. The 3-Day Cursillo Weekend offers an opportunity to hear the

Christian message fully in a relaxed nurturing environment without distraction. During these three days, lay people and clergy share their experiences and perspective on a variety of topics related to the love of God, the Christian life, and Christian community. Cursillo enables people to not only grow in their faith, but also to gain a deeper understanding of the teachings of Jesus and how we can serve Him. *Interested in attending a Cursillo Weekend? The next weekend is October 3-6, 2019 at Dubose Center in Monteagle. For more info, please contact Rusty at rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com by Sept 6th or visit: www.tnepiscopalcursillo.org.*



Social Graces - "A Movie and a Meal"

Sunday, November 10th, 5:00 pm

4:15pm Theatre Doors Open * 5:00pm Movie * 7:00pm Catered Meal in Otey Hall following Movie

The Franklin Theatre will present a rare large-screen viewing of Robert Lee Hodge's Emmy-award winning documentary *The Battle of Franklin* to benefit the Franklin Battlefield preservation efforts. Shown on PBS, The Battle of Franklin film has gotten many accolades from the experts -- Chief Historian Emeritus of the National Park Service, Ed Bearss, said, "One of the best, if not the best, documentaries I have seen on a Civil War battle. Not since Ken Burns' monumental PBS production, *The Civil War*, have I seen better." One-third of the proceeds from ticket sales will go towards protection of the Franklin battlefield. This event is open to anyone. *The cost is \$30 per person for the evening. Options – Movie only cost is \$20 per person, or Dinner only cost is \$10 per person. To secure your spot, write a check to St. Paul's (Social Graces in the memo).* RSVP for event to monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527

Would You Like to Serve on the Altar Guild?

Have you considered offering yourself and time as a "joyful offering to the Lord"? If you have a desire to be more personally involved in worshiping our Lord through service, the Altar Guild welcomes you. Serving on the Altar Guild is a ministry of love undertaken in the name of Christ. We preserve and protect the tangible and visible parts of our liturgical worship space, while preparing our space for worship. We operate deliberately, thoughtfully, reverently, and joyfully, working in a holy way to preserve an atmosphere of God's presence in our old church, highlighting His presence in everyday things, events and people. If you are interested in knowing more about what goes on behind the Sacristy door and within the Altar Guild ministry, please speak with Fr. Rusty or Monna or call Phyllis Thompson (615) 599-6884.

WSP (Women of St. Paul's) – HeArt and Soul Retreat

Save the date – Weekend of February 7th -9th, 2020

The retreat committee has been hard at work pulling our wonderful HeArt & Soul weekend together. If you are interested in helping in any way please let one of us know. Treasures for the goodie bags are being collected and if you would like to contribute to our bags either with an item or donation please email the office at info@stpaulsfranklin.com. Our theme this year is, "This I Promise" and we will be using colors and rainbows. If you have joined us on the mountain in the past you know what an amazing and special weekend this is, If you have not joined us in the past, please consider coming to the heArt & Soul 2020 weekend. More information will be coming in the very near future.

Garden Guild – Volunteers Needed!

Our beautiful outdoor sanctuaries are the gardens at the front entrance, and also on the 6th Avenue side between Otey and Founders Hall. Many volunteer hours are spent year round to plant, water, and weed. The 6th Avenue Courtyard in