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Mountain TOP



Rusty's 60th Birthday Party

Cover Image: St. Paul's Youth on trip to Mountain TOP

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**[Deadline for September newsletter is Friday, August 26, 2022](#)**

# Upcoming Events

August 7

Youth Car Wash

Barnabas Parking Lot 11 AM - 1 PM

August 7

Blessing of the Backpacks and Teachers

August 12

Movie Night

6th Avenue Courtyard, 6:30 PM

August 14

Bluegrass & Stained Glass

August 21

Stephen Ministry Day and Worship  
Ministry Fair

August 24

Capital Campaign Pledge Deadline

August 25

St. Paul's Birthday Party and Capital  
Campaign End Celebration  
Otey Hall  
5:30 - 7:00 PM

August 28

Acolyte Training

September 2 - 3

Women of St. Paul's Annual Bazaar  
Drop off donations August 29 - 31,  
9 AM - 4 PM

September 11

Rally Day



Many more meetings and gatherings can be found on the Church Calendar which is located under the "About Us" tab on the church website, or you can follow link here: <https://74053364.view-events.com/calendar/74053364/>



We are entering our final month of the Capital Campaign and we have an exciting development!

**August 7** - Youth fundraiser and \$50k match - Car Wash! - will be held from 11a-1p.

Nick and our youth are rallying behind the Challenge Goal and, as always, their energy and excitement is contagious. Their upcoming fundraiser has inspired another matched giving opportunity!! Don't need a car wash? Pay to wash someone else's car, or simply drop by and give a donation. In support of the Youth's efforts, Richard and Mishelle Phillips would like to offer a match, up to \$50,000. Act quickly though because **their offer expires August 14!**

August is filled with even more key events and deadlines as the Capital Campaign approaches its end. Get your calendars ready!

**August 4**, in the evening, there will be a Campaign phone-a-thon to reach out to potential donors who haven't yet pledged. If you'd like to help out, contact Barb Roth at (615) 975-6636 or [daba224@aol.com](mailto:daba224@aol.com).

August 24 marks the final deadline for pledges as the campaign officially ends on August 25th, which will be our church's 195th anniversary. Look for a save-the-date for the Campaign Celebration Event to come soon.

Pledge now! Visit the Capital Campaign Website page to learn more and to make your pledge, or you may place your pledge card in the offering plate. All gifts of all sizes are needed and welcomed.

Join your fellow parishioners in giving and in prayer, that our buildings may be revived and our lives transformed, that we may find new ways to be Christ's hands and feet...the Ultimate Goal.

## St. Paul's Construction and Design Committee

First, thanks to all of you who have participated in our capital campaign. It has been a great success and now we are ready to move forward in the planning, construction, and renovation phase of this journey. With that, we are pleased to announce the committee that will oversee the many aspects of this holy endeavor.

All these good folks have various gifts that will be a true asset for our church. Their backgrounds include building science, architecture, and interior/historical design. Let's thank them for their very generous gift of time and talent.

The committee is composed of:

Charles Carlisle  
Kay Heller  
Melanie Lampertz  
Susan Miller  
Jim Poole  
Alan Robertson  
Sam Yeager  
David Zegley

We will all be hearing much from this group of talented folks in the very near future. Until then please hold them in your prayers. We look forward to your ideas and concerns as we travel this road together. God bless you and our church, St. Paul's.

*Unchanging God of grace, faithfulness, and truth; Giver of life and all we possess, We pray that as the buildings of St. Paul's are revived, we too, may be transformed spiritually, finding new ways that each of us may be Christ's hands and feet in our ministries and community. Amen.*

# Capital Campaign

We have received similar questions from parishioners about the capital campaign and proposed construction to our parish, so we have compiled a list of frequently asked questions. If you have a question or concern not addressed below, please reach out to one of the members of the capital campaign committee.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Is the Nave or Sanctuary part of the capital campaign?**

No, Any work done on the nave is taken from our “Building and Grounds” account in our operating expenses or from special gifts.

**Will the pecan tree be removed as part of the campaign improvements?**

No, we will not be removing the tree.

**Does a capital campaign pledge count the same as an annual campaign pledge? Aren't they going to the same place?**

No, a capital campaign does not count the same as an annual pledge. Each year, St. Paul's invites members of its community to give an annual pledge to the fund the mission of the congregation. These funds pay for personnel, programs, outreach ministries, and the regular upkeep of the space. These funds typically come from an individual's regular monthly income.

Pledges to the capital campaign will be used to fund specific one-time projects to the physical space. This gift is an extraordinary gift that would likely be above and beyond one's annual gift. Individuals can give in a variety of ways (see below) and all gifts regardless of size are needed for the campaign to be successful.

The leadership has approved separate accounts to ensure that gifts made to either are appropriately managed and used as each individual intends.

# Capital Campaign

## **Which is a priority?**

Annual giving is the priority. While we embrace gifts given to both the annual fund and the capital campaign, we ask that individuals maintain their regular giving to the annual campaign before considering a capital campaign pledge. Annual gifts fund St. Paul's operating budget which supports our mission and ministry.

It is important that the annual fund remains at the same level or increases while capital improvements are being made.

## **How do I get updates about the timeline?**

You can find out information on the website here: <https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/capital-campaign/>. We want you to know what is happening every step of the way!

Moving forward, updates on both the campaign and construction will be included at least monthly in the bulletin, announcements and in regular church emails.

## **Can I leave money in my will or establish a trust specifically for the capital campaign?**

Yes! All members are invited to include St. Paul's in their estate planning. However, given that the bulk of construction expenses will be incurred in the first year, we will be needing liquid funds to pay these expenditures.

The vestry is happy to receive bequests with a "requested designation" (rather than a restriction).

## **How can I give?**

Gifts can be given in a number of forms: cash, check, automatic withdrawal from a bank account, stock, or credit card.

The pay-in period is four years, beginning June 2022 and ending May 2026. Gifts can be paid weekly, monthly, quarterly and annually.

## **Can I give for more than 4 years?**

We would like to pay as many of the expenses on the front end of the capital improvements. If you are contemplating a gift schedule longer than four years, please speak with us first.

## **Are we taking out a loan? What is a bridge loan?**

Yes, however we do not currently anticipate taking on debt beyond what is pledged to the campaign. While we anticipate reaching (or surpassing) our goal of \$3,100,000, this money will be paid over four years. A common practice for non-profits is to take out a “bridge loan” to pay the expenses of the capital improvements and then pay this loan back as pledges are paid by community members.

## **Will my pledge matter? Are all gifts needed?**

YES! All gifts regardless of size are needed to make this successful. If you are thinking of making a gift, please know we welcome your generosity at all levels. We want everyone, regardless of your financial picture, to make an investment and to feel a part of the result!

## **What happens if I can't fulfill my pledge?**

We know that life happens and we care about you. If something happens and you can't fulfill your pledge over the next four years, please let the clergy know. We can make adjustments accordingly. We value you and want to know what is happening in your life.

If you have a question not on this list, please contact Bob Larson, Campaign Chair.

You can also check out the capital campaign section on the website: <https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/capital-campaign/>

## Campaign Leadership

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Rusty McCown

### Vestry

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Michael Walters Young

### Campaign Coordinator

Holly Spain

### Campaign Committee

Bob Larson, Chair

Kathy Berry, Mindy Boggs, Barb Roth, John Paul Saalwaechter, Tom Stearns

## Capital Campaign Presentation

The Capital Campaign Committee hosted a parish wide presentation via zoom on the proposed changes to St. Paul's. If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can watch the replay here:

<https://youtu.be/wjRNsaV99-A>

## Capital Campaign Case Statement

[Link to the Capital Campaign Case Statement](#)

Website:

<https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/capital-campaign/>



Our EYG had an awesome time at Mountain TOP! Our youth really stepped up as leaders, helping to complete a variety of service projects as well as facilitate front-yard day camp. We are so grateful for everyone's prayers and support for this ministry. Before we resume regular youth programming in September, we have a couple of events in August to kick things off for the year.



First, we will have a Car Wash fundraiser next Sunday, August 7th from 11am-1pm. The proceeds from the event will benefit the Capital Campaign, in the hopes of continuing the push to renovate Barnabas. We will meet at 9:30 in Barnabas before attending the 10am service as a group prior to the start of the Car Wash.

If you'd like to participate, please sign up via the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AAEA922A0FFC07-carwash>

Additionally, we will meet for Film School on August 17th and 31st, from 5-7pm in Otey Hall. We'll eat dinner before watching and discussing a movie as a group. This will be a great way to ease back into programming before we begin regular EYG meetings.





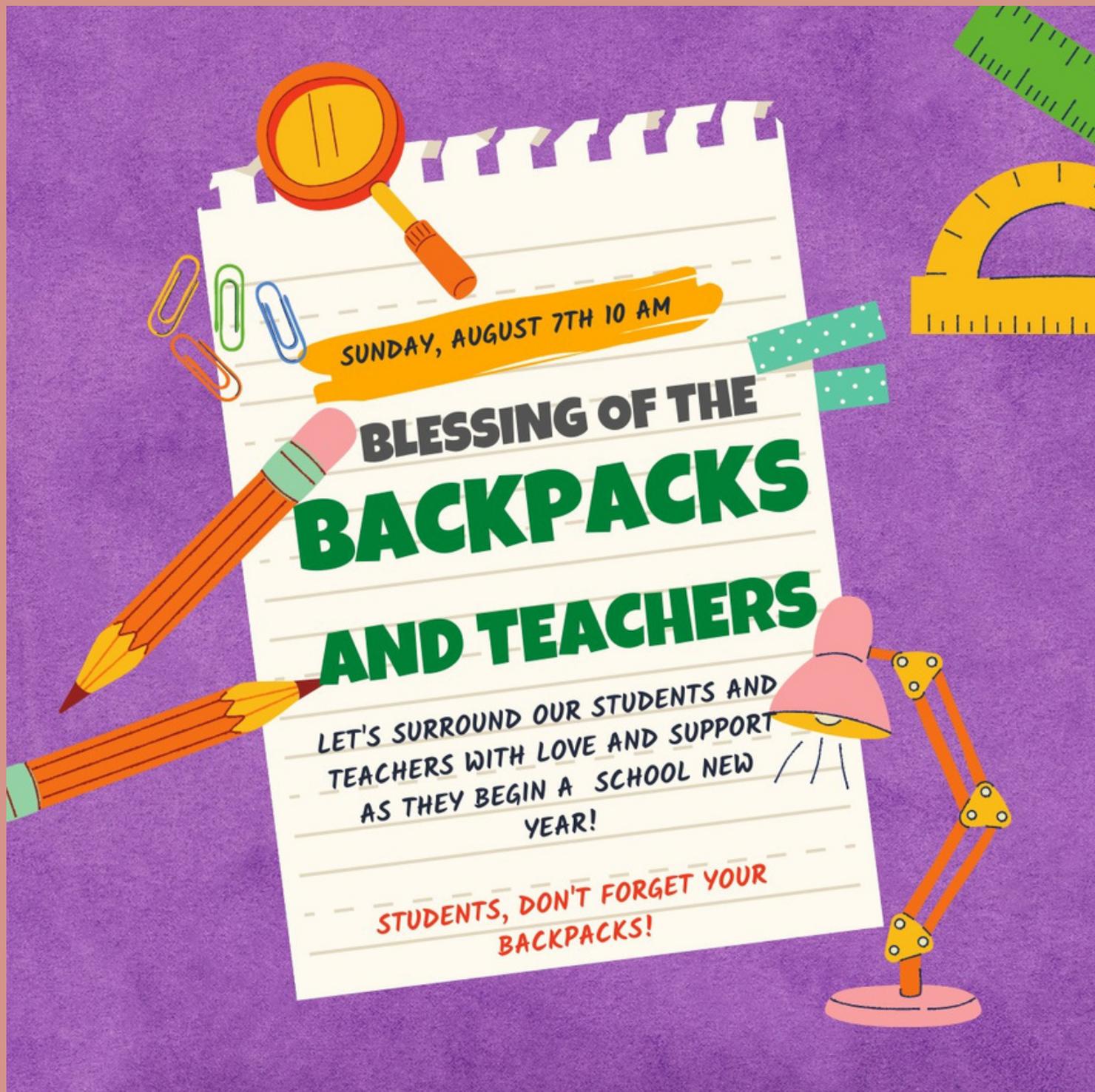
## Acolyte Training

Calling on all our young people.... your church needs you! Beginning in September St. Paul's will, once again, enrich our worship with our wonderful acolytes. 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.

If you are interested in learning more please come to the Acolyte Training session on Sunday, August 28 at 11:30 in the church. This training for ALL acolytes, both new and seasoned. We may add a second training session if needed. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions please contact Father Rusty ([rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com)).



# Blessing of the Backpacks and Teachers



# St. Cecilia Choir Returns

Do you have a child that LOVES to sing? We have just the spot for them! The children's choir, also known as the St. Cecilia Choir, is returning this fall to St. Paul's. The choir is comprised of rising 1st through 5th graders and will meet on Wednesdays each week, 5:00-5:30 pm in Antioch. We will work on musicianship and vocal techniques, as well as prepare music to be sung in church.

Our first rehearsal is Wednesday, September 7 at 5:00 pm. The St. Cecilia Choir will sing for the first time at the Children's service on September 25 at 8:45 am.

For more information, please call Donna Stokes-Rogers at (615) 790-0527, ext 104 or email [donnastokesrogers@gmail.com](mailto:donnastokesrogers@gmail.com). FYI, did you know that Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Musicians? Who better to represent our young musicians?



# Parish Happenings

## Worship Ministry Fair

Hey, St. Paul's, your church needs you! Beginning September 11 we will be going back to four services every Sunday. Happily, we will also have a full array of much needed volunteers to help with the service.

So, if you have ever thought about helping in some capacity during our services please note that we will have a Worship Ministry Fair on Sunday, August 21 at 11:00 in Founders.

Positions needed include:

- Readers
- Ushers
- Altar Guild
- Intercessors
- Oblation Bearers
- Chalice Bearers
- and more!

There will be representatives from all these ministries to answer any questions you might have.

Serving during our church services is fun and so rewarding. And no talent or previous experience is mandatory. So please pray about assisting during a Sunday liturgy. You are needed!



# Parish Happenings



## Outdoor Movie Night

Join us for an outdoor showing of the movie *Sing 2!* on August 12th in the 6th Avenue Courtyard. The courtyard will open at 6:30 for you to bring your blankets, chairs, picnics and drinks. The movie will begin at 8. Everyone is welcome! We will have popcorn and ice cream on hand. Can't wait to see you there!

Questions? Email Libby:  
libby@stpaulsfranklin.com

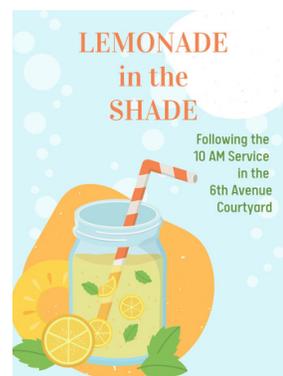
## Bluegrass & Stained Glass

The last Bluegrass & Stained Glass for the summer is August 14th. Join us at the 10AM service.



## Lemonade in the Shade

Join us for Lemonade in the Shade following the 10 AM service in the 6th Avenue Courtyard.



# Parish Happenings

*Celebrating our Past  
Embracing the Present  
Focusing on our Future*

You and your family are cordially invited to join us  
for an evening of celebrating

**ST. PAUL'S 195TH BIRTHDAY  
and our successful  
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN.**

Join us for refreshments, entertainment,  
a photo memento op, birthday cake,  
and a drawing for a special gift.

Otey Hall  
Thursday, August 25, 2022  
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Hosted by: The Historic Committee &  
Capital Campaign Event Committee

Please RSVP by Tuesday, August 23 to  
[shannon@st.paulsfranklin.com](mailto:shannon@st.paulsfranklin.com)  
or by phone at 615.790.0527 Ext. 103

Childcare available upon request

# Parish Happenings

## Women of St. Paul's Social

The next WSP Social will be Aug 12 at 6pm hosted by Pat McCracken, 102 Hampsted Ln, Franklin.

Pat's lovely home does have a steep driveway. Her husband, Sam, will shuttle us from the street. Carpooling is encouraged. Please bring something to share.



All women who attend St Paul's are invited to join us!

## Women of St. Paul's Annual Bazaar

St Paul's Bazaar will be Friday September 2nd - Saturday September 3rd. Volunteers needed Monday August 29 - Sunday August 4. Volunteering for the bazaar is a great way to get to know each other better!

Sign up genius here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044DABAF28A7F58-2022>

### Donations needed!

We will be accepting donations Monday August 29 - Wednesday August 31 9 am-4 pm. Please bring in your treasures!

We accept gently used household items, books, puzzles, antiques, sporting goods, decorations, toys, small tables, lamps, artwork, jewelry, tools, small appliances etc. We are unable to sell clothing, large furniture, or cribs.

If you have questions please call Sarah Karpie.

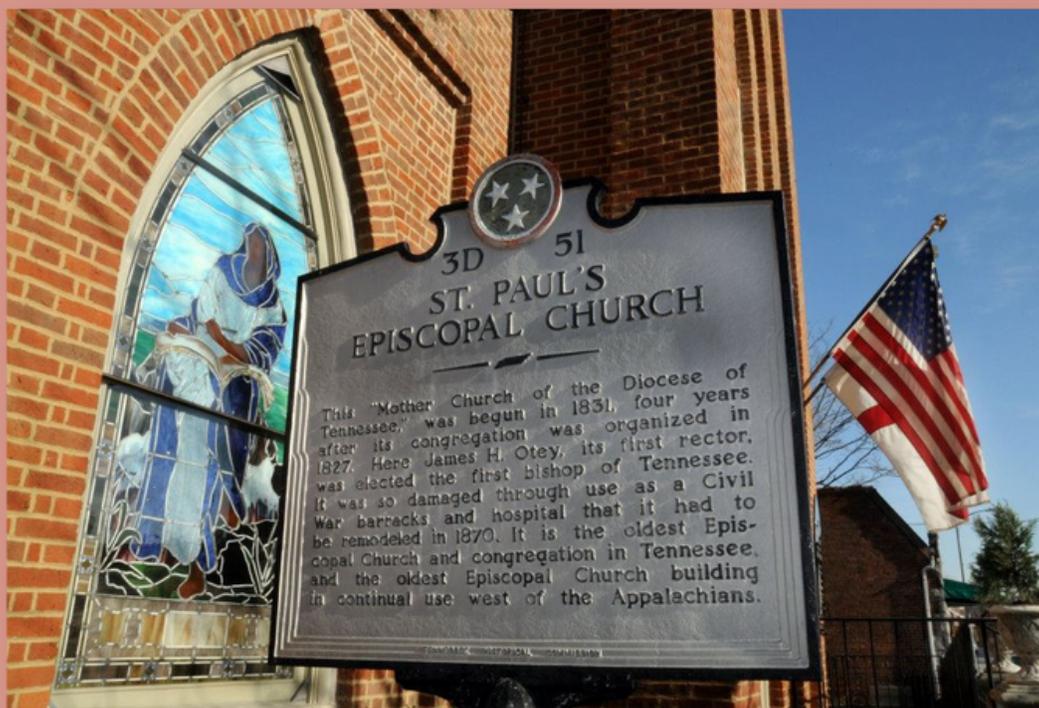
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## Celebrating Our Legacy

Just imagine—195 years ago this month St. Paul’s was just a twinkle in the eye of Reverend James Hervey Otey, who not only gave life to this “Mother Church of the Diocese of Tennessee”, but later became the state’s first bishop. Today, we are counting down to a Bicentennial Celebration of our amazing Parish and our ongoing mission to provide sacred space and support for Christian worship, joyful celebrations, caring Ministries, adult and youth education, and loving outreach.

The Bicentennial Society at St. Paul’s is the engine behind the festivities that are being planned for August 25, 2027 and we need YOU! Please consider becoming a member and helping support and engage in the forward-looking plans for our 200th birthday jubilee. Membership of \$1,000, which can be spread over time, may be given in the name of a family member or in memory of a loved one.

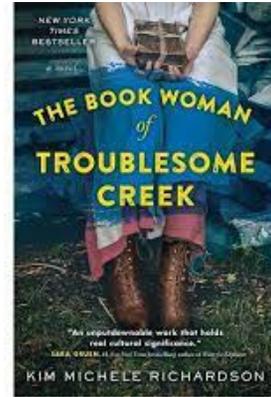
For more information, please contact Melanie Lampertz [w.m.lampertz@comcast.net](mailto:w.m.lampertz@comcast.net) or Libby Sullivan, [libby@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:libby@stpaulsfranklin.com).



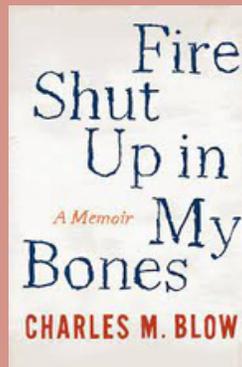
## Bad Girl's Book Club

The next meeting for The Bad Girls Book Club is July 25 from 6:30 PM to approximately 8:00 PM.

August's book is *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson.



Upcoming Books: *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes (September), *Fire Shut Up in My Bones* by Charles M. Blow (October), and *The Cuckoo's Calling* by Robert Galbraith (November).



## Kairo's

We at St. Paul's would like to invite all writers -- accomplished or NOT -- to join our Friday morning writing group called Kairos. We meet at 10 am in the church library, on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. All you need is a notebook (a gift from us when you join) and bring your favorite pen. We have great fun just writing about similar subjects for five or ten minutes at a time.



Please contact Peggy Macpherson at [pmacpherson@comcast.net](mailto:pmacpherson@comcast.net), 615-308-2215 or 615-794-8518 for more information about this very pleasant group of ladies and gentlemen. Teens are welcome too!

# Parish Happenings

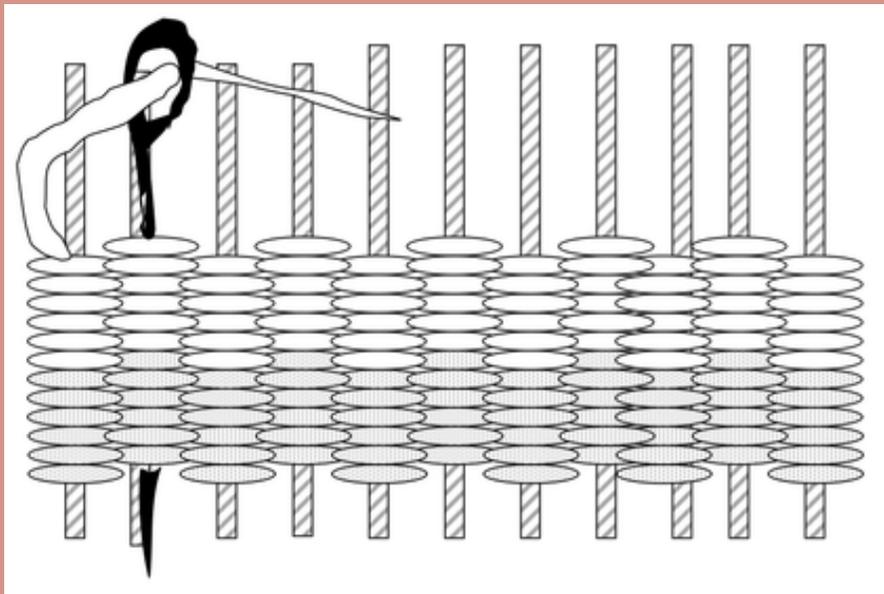
## Weaver's Guild

St. Paul's Weaver's Guild is beginning August 3, 2022! There are many types of looms available today. We would like to explore using traditional looms such as floor, table, rigid heddle, and inkle looms, as well as potholder looms and basketry. It is a diverse and beautiful art form that can utilize many types of materials.



We will meet weekly on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 am till Noon in the Labyrinth Room in Barnabas. Experienced and "Wanna-Be" weavers welcome. We have a few rigid heddle and inkle looms available to learn about weaving. If you own a loom, please bring yours, and each week we will work on our individual projects while offering support and conversation.

For more information, contact Donna Stokes-Rogers at [donnastokesrogers@gmail.com](mailto:donnastokesrogers@gmail.com).



## WITS (Women in Theological Study)

Since Monna is on Sabbatical, Sarah Karpie will be coordinating the weekly WITS program. If you have questions or would like to be added to their mailing list, please contact Sarah Karpie [mkarpie@gmail.com](mailto:mkarpie@gmail.com).

### August 4

WITS will meet in Otey Hall 9:30am-11:30am. Please join us for a day of games!

### August 11

WITS will be Zoom. Susi Trabue is going to lead a session devoted to discussing the afterlife. Please join us on zoom 9:30am and hear about prayers that are meaningful in our lives.

Zoom Meeting Information:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84981909923?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84981909923?pwd=Qm1Jd2l3ejFJNmVmVjRPaU5JUWY4Zz09)

[pwd=Qm1Jd2l3ejFJNmVmVjRPaU5JUWY4Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84981909923?pwd=Qm1Jd2l3ejFJNmVmVjRPaU5JUWY4Zz09)

Meeting ID: 849 8190 9923

Passcode: 391301

Details for programs for the remaining August dates are forthcoming. Check email, News From The Pews, or the Sunday bulletin Take Out.

# BBQ & Bake Sale 2022



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Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the restoration of Founder's Hall in July 2022! Thank you to the staff who allowed us to interview them in order to find out their needs for a refreshed space.

We have received so many positive responses to the revised Founder's Hall and we hope all will enjoy it!

It's hard to believe, but in 2002, Founder's Hall underwent a similar facelift. Some may remember the walls and trim were puce brown, as well as the wall-to-wall commercial carpet. We worked with long time member and interior designer Fanny Haynes and tore up the carpet, then 8x8 asphalt black tiles and revealed the original pine floors. They were unstained and in terrible shape with missing boards and gaps you could see the dirt floor underneath. The best decision was to install a new pine floor on top and stain them to match the Sanctuary floors. The walls were painted an historic yellow/gold and the trim cream. The used sofas and chairs were all donated and slipped covered. The harvest table in the middle of the room was given by Fanny Haynes many years prior and the oriental rugs were approved by the Vestry and purchased. The antique break front was given in memory of Fritchie Lawton, a long-time beloved member of St. Paul's. The breakfront houses revolving archives of St. Paul's including photos, books, and silver items.

So, 20 years later, time for a redo! Founders was built around 1870, so the challenge was to create a light bright functional space for people of all ages to enjoy gathering and sharing God's Love for us and each other. Founder's Hall is very well used by Children's Chapel, Funeral gatherings, Book Club, Bridal/Wedding parties, Coffee Hour, and even now a very successful Gift Shop. Of all these uses, the Children's Chapel on Sunday mornings most captured our ideas for the new design. So, we chose traditional style new sofas and chairs with "Performance" fabric, resistant to Kool-Aid and wine and even little feet. We decided to keep the 20-year-old pine floors in a natural finish, like the 1870 original pine floors. Then we chose Historic colors again, this time in blues and creams. The electrical outlets were also updated.

# Founder's Hall Restoration

The new art, "The Lambs" and "St. Francis", were donated to the church and add a naive whimsical touch while the archival pictures bring the past into the present. The St. Francis's wooden statue, also donated, completes the St. Francis's Corner to remind us of our love for all creatures great and small. The new shop has been spruced up with new shelving and continues to be very successful. Plantation shutters were provided by the Historic Committee and will protect our antique rugs and furniture from sun damage.

So, big Thank You to The Men of St. Paul's, The Women of St. Paul's, and the Historic Committee who contributed the funding for the Founder's Hall project, again, we hope all will enjoy it!

Peace,

Susan Miller, Kathy Ulezelski, Sarah Karpie

## Before Pictures



# Founder's Hall Restoration After



# St. Paul's Corner Gift Shop & Tours

## St. Paul's Corner Gift Shop

St. Paul's Corner Gift Shop is thriving! Look at the cards and bookmarks we just added! Thank you to all who have contributed items and those who have purchased. All proceeds go to various programs at St. Paul's.



## St. Paul's Tours

Guided tours of the church are between 12-2 PM on Fridays and Saturdays. If you are interested as serving as a docent and are 12 or older, contact Libby Sullivan at [libby@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:libby@stpaulsfranklin.com).

# Thistle Farms

## Thistle Farms Products

The Thistle Farms store on 5122 Charlotte Avenue in Nashville or (on-line), also sells many other products as well as beautiful items from around the world made by women.

- Room Spray
- Love Heals Candles
- Calm Healing Candles
- Hand Lotion
- Body Butter
- Body Wash

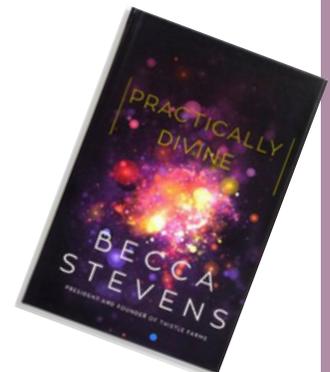


The Thistle Farms store on 5122 Charlotte Avenue in Nashville or (on-line), also sells many other products as well as beautiful items from around the world made by women.,) also sells many other products as well as beautiful items from around the world made by women.

Also, for sale is Becca Stevens newest book, *Practically Divine*.

Every dollar spent goes to help a woman to get off the street, get into recovery, move into her own home and go on to lead the healthy life God made her to live.

If you have questions, contact Lorinda Hancock or Ann Van Dervoort.



Are you looking to give a lovely, meaningful gift to someone who matters? The Historic Committee is here for you! Our candles make perfect for hostess or teacher gifts. Our notecards and ornaments are great for out-of-town guests, and we have just re-printed our popular books for the history lover on your list! If you are interested in purchasing items, contact Libby Sullivan ([libby@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:libby@stpaulsfranklin.com)) to arrange a pick-up time.

History Books-\$25

Large candle-\$20

Small Candle-\$10

Stained Glass Notecard Set: \$15

Ornament: \$5

A special reprint of *The History of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, A Good Story of Saints and Sinners*,

is being undertaken by the church's Historic Committee. Books are for sale online, priced at \$25, for parishioners who might have missed out on the 2016 release. There is a limited supply of 100 copies.



"We are very excited about offering this important book again," said Melanie Lampertz said. "In the past several months, our Historic Committee has reengaged with focus on more research and story about St. Paul's nearly 200 years in Franklin. Although many families were able to purchase a copy when the book was released in 2016, there are so many new people who have joined our church family. We wanted to make sure the book was available, especially as we approach our Bicentennial in 2027." For more information, visit [www.stpaulsfranklin.com](http://www.stpaulsfranklin.com), or stop by the Church office to pick up a copy. They make wonderful gifts!

Read the story written for the *Williamson Herald* in 2016 when the book was first released during St. Paul's 189th birthday celebration: *Unveiling – Three centuries of story in spirited style.*

The Outreach Committee of St. Paul's Church functions to serve nonprofit organizations. Its vision is to share God's Grace with those in need in Williamson County. The mission of the Outreach Committee is to embrace community services in Williamson County dedicated to encouraging and advancing development in all people towards their fullest potential, and it is the intent of the committee to assist our church community in sharing God's grace outward into our wider community, participating, donating and encouraging people and the organizations addressing their needs. We intend to promote existing initiatives in our church and continue the conversation within our church community on what we can do for our neighbors in the fulfillment of our Christian duty.

The Outreach Committee would like to thank the parishioners of St. Paul's for entrusting us with such a labor of love. Your financial support is making a difference in the lives of so many people. You are only the reason we can do this, thank you! And, to that effect, we would like to make all aware of exactly who you are helping in our community. So, each month, we would like to share a few of them so you might be able to see and support these organizations.

The Outreach Committee wanted to thank each and every one of you for your donation in support of Franktown and their summer camp program. We were overjoyed to learn that within our congregation we collectively donated the amazing amount of \$4,000. Wow! Because of you, St. Paul's was able to match that amount and give Franktown \$8,000, which allowed children from low-income homes to attend the summer camp of their choice. These children attended camps all over the county that supported their growing interests-culinary, sports, creative arts and so much more.

We are so very appreciative of your support in helping to give these beautiful children in our neighborhood such a special gift this summer.

Our committee meets the third Tuesday of each month and is always eager to learn from church members about groups in Williamson County that can use this church's extra hand up. If you have any thoughts or suggestions about organizations, please contact Monna Mayhall [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com) or any other members on the committee: Will Boggs, Jim Miller, Judy Stockton, Fred Warner, Sheila Morreale Carrie McBrayer and Pam Horne.



As the heat rises, the opportunities to help homeless people in our community increases. On Thursdays when we offer temporary overnight shelter in Barnabas, we are planning to have the Shower Up Mobile Trailer available in front of Barnabas on for a few hours, but we need toiletry items and volunteers.

**Here's how you can help:**

- Drop off trial size Soaps and Shampoos at the church.
- Volunteer on Thursdays to help at the Shower Up Trailer late afternoon/early evening.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Monna at 615-790-0527 or [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com).

# Stephen Ministry

*The gifts God gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some ministers, and teachers, (some Stephen Ministers), to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ. (Ephesians 4:11-13)*

There are periods when one feels empty or broken-hearted, or times when there are too many questions and not enough answers. The help of a Stephen Minister may be part of the answers. We are not the solution, but we can be the sounding board for your inner thoughts and search for direction. We can walk with you in search for answers.

A Stephen Minister is a layperson who will provide one-to-one Christian care to confused or hurting people in St. Paul's and the community. Look over the list of needs for care. Are there people with needs described? Yes, there are many people who have these needs. You or someone you know may be one of them.

Please take a moment to reach out to us. Your information is confidential. Our contact with the care receiver is confidential. And the care by the Stephen Minister is confidential. We know that people in need of care suffer alone and may slip through the cracks. The Priests and congregation may not have the means or capacity to reach out to hurting people long term. This is why St. Paul's has a Stephen Ministries program. When necessary, we can be there for the long haul.

If you know of a situation where we might help, please contact Rusty or Monna, call the Church Office (615-790-0527), leave a confidential email ([sm@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:sm@stpaulsfranklin.com)) or contact one of the Stephen Ministers below.

Fred Warner, Stephen Ministry Leader

Barbara Green

Becky Farmer

Carol Waters

George Bishop

Jean Larson

Katie Faulkner

Kelly Pitsenberger

Laura McCown

Marcia Wilkinson

Melissa Crain

Mindy Boggs

Scott Faulkner

Vicki Carlisle



## Needs for Care That Stephen Ministers Can Meet

- Those who are grieving the loss of a loved one
- People who are hospitalized
- People being treated for cancer -- and members of their families
- Individuals who are terminally ill -- and members of their families
- People who are experiencing divorce (before, during, and after)
- Parents who have children leaving home for the military, college, marriage, or work in another geographical area
- New congregation or community members who are experiencing transition difficulties
- Parents and families with children who have disabilities
- People recovering at home or in a rehabilitation facility after an illness or injury
- Those who are homebound or reside in an assisted living facility or a nursing care center
- Family members of someone (nearby or far away) who is homebound or resides in an assisted living facility or a nursing care center
- People with a chronic illness or a long-term disability-and their primary caregivers
- People facing birth-related issues such as infertility, adoption, an unplanned pregnancy, or the birth of a child
- People who have lost their jobs or had some other significant financial setback
- People experiencing significant job-related stress
- Family members of deployed military personnel
- People in the process of downsizing to a smaller home, moving into an assisted living situation, or changing their living arrangements in some other way
- People who are preparing to retire, who have recently retired, or who have been forced to retire early
- People affected by disasters or violence
- People experiencing spiritual crisis
- People with other critical needs or major life transitions that you know about

# The Bicentennial Society

## Celebrating St. Paul's 200th Anniversary

In 2017 the Bicentennial Society was formed to plan the commemoration of the church's 200th anniversary in 2027. After hitting the pause button in 2020, we are back at work. The Society is laying the groundwork for the ongoing work of various committees. To date, we are planning a year-long celebration for 2027 with different monthly themes. We will involve the entire Franklin community in plans leading up to our Bicentennial year. Each of the next six years will be focused on specific details of the master plan for St. Paul's 200th Celebration.

If you'd like to take part in this historic event, please join the Bicentennial Society today. Your \$1,000 pledge—due in 2027—will help fund the bicentennial and its ancillary events. To join, visit [stpaulsfranklin.com](http://stpaulsfranklin.com) and click "give." Committees are also looking for help with community relations, event planning, and technology.

To learn more, please contact members of the Historic Committee: Scott Smith, Susan Miller, Melanie Lampertz, Kathy Ulezelski, Libby Sullivan, Tom Stearns, John Henderson, Greer Carlisle, Cindy Thomsen, Pam Horne, Virginia Callicott, Rusty McCown, Rector, Pat McCracken, Vestry Liaison.

### Join your friends in the Bicentennial Society.

Bob Andrews	James and Phyllis Gray	Randy and Linda Miller
Anonymous	Charlie and Becky Grimes	Karen Montefiori
April Ashburn	Gerald and Lorinda Hancock	Huba and Lois Nagy
Judith Atkinson	Frances Haynes	Ben and Susan Nance
Michael and Laurie Austin	John and Nell Henderson	Andy Peterson and Bob Barrett
Sam Barchus and Pat McCracken	Pamela Holley	Sara Richter
Grant Benedict and Judy Oxford	Ron and Cyndy Howes	Phillip Phillips and Sharmila Patel
Dewees and Kathy Berry	Mark and Andrea Hyssong	William and Dee Rainey
Nancy Black	Roger and Tina Jones	Amanda Ryden
Will and Mindy Boggs	Marty and Sarah Karpie	Carolyn Savage
Richard Bolte	Bill and Janet Keith	Wayne and Connie Senseney
Val Box	Ellen Kirk	Charles Sidbury
William and Mary Kate Brandon	Robert and June Knabe	Roy and Frances Sieber
Ginny Brewer	Chris and Lyn Knopf	Judy Simmons
Gene and Margaret Brown	Walter and Melanie Lampertz	Scott Smith
Justin and Amanda Bushnell	Van and Dannie Latture	Tom and Marida Stearns
Patsy Carter	Rick and Pam Leet	Brandon and Libby Sullivan
Tav and Carolyn Cooke	Ronald and Marty Ligon	Karen Sullivan
Bob and Susan Cowperthwaite	Doug and Joyce Little	Mickey and Susan Trailov
Charlie and Sharon Crumpton	Ed and Lucetta Mannion	Jim and Kathy Ulezelski
Jay and Pam Fahey	Doug and Monna Mayhall	Bob and Ann VanDevoort
Scott and Katie Faulkner	Mark and Catherine Mayhew	John and Patti Wilkison
Leslie Fraser and Wanda Woolen	Rusty and Laura McCown	Barbara Williams
Granville and Mimi Grant	Maria McPherson and Matt Nicks	Woody and Beth Woodruff

# We Need You...

## Amazon Smile

Support St. Paul's Episcopal Church every time you shop on Amazon by adding us as your charity! Click below to find our specific charity account.

Go to the link below to add St. Paul's to your Smile Amazon account: [https://smile.amazon.com/ref=nav\\_logo](https://smile.amazon.com/ref=nav_logo)



## St. Paul's Directory Photos

If you haven't already, please send a family photo to be added to our online directory on Instant Church Directory. If you didn't know we had an online directory, please download the app on your smart device, register with your email address and enter our parish ID is "stpaulsfranklin." It's a great way to keep in touch with our church family during these strange times! Please send updates, changes, and family pictures to [shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com).

## The Lord's Lift

If you need a ride to church on Sunday, contact the church office before 4:00 pm on the Thursday before the Sunday that you will need a ride. Provide Shannon with your name, address, contact information, your preference of Sunday Service time, and if you use a walker or wheelchair. The Lord's Lift driver will contact you to finalize transportation.

If you can offer a ride to someone to church on Sunday, contact the church office to be placed on a Sunday Rotation Schedule. Let us know if you have a Sunday preference, (i.e. 1st Sunday of the month).

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Shannon at 615-790-0527 or [shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com).

## Recycling

We need the help of parishioners who would be willing to take a blue bag (or several!) with them to recycle with their own household recyclables when they come to church. The paper will continue to be collected in the large, gray bin in the workroom next to Shannon's office and there is a large, green bin for glass in Otey kitchen.

For more information, please contact Lois Nagy ([lois@nagy.com](mailto:lois@nagy.com) or 615-804-1203) or any member of the recycling committee. St. Paul's and the environment are grateful for your help.



## Ushers for all services needed

If you are interested in being an usher for one of our three Sunday services (8am, 10am and 6pm), please let us know by contacting the office (shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com). A training class will be offered on what to expect and how to handle each situation.



## Holy Eucharistic Visits

If you would like Holy Communion brought to you, please let us know, and we can schedule a time for someone to visit you. If you wish, the Eucharistic Visitor could remain outside your house and the Eucharistic Visitor would wear a mask and gloves.

If you have questions or if you would like to schedule a Eucharistic Visit, you can contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

## Altar Flower Sign-Ups

If you would like to sign-up to memorialize, honor, celebrate or thank a special person(s) with Altar Flowers, please sign up on the date of your preference by signing up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c48abad2fa0f58-altar>. We will also have a list hanging on the Church Bulletin board if you prefer to sign up that way.

# Parish Notices

## August Birthdays

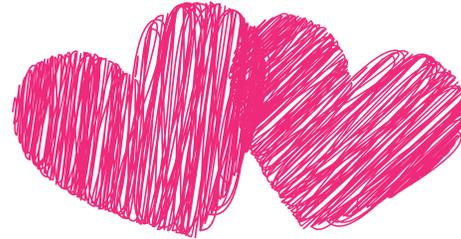
- 1 Teri Sidberry, Tyler McPherson
- 2 Emily Nance, Robert Hennes,
- 3 Mary Elizabeth Morreale, Marcia Wilkinson
- 4 Fran Osteen, Eduard Robinson, Connie Senseney
- 5 Huba Nagy
- 6 Griffin Horne
- 7 Kathy Ulezelski, Gail Griffin, Chapman Finn, Fiona Wieman
- 8 Lisa Whitten, Pam Leet
- 9 Emily Williams
- 10 Katelyn Waggoner, Bruce Theobald
- 11 Nancy Boring, Nan Jorgensen, Amanda Bushnell
- 12 Emily Boylan, Michael Wesson, Charles Marshall,  
Samantha Caroline Hennes
- 13 James Sheller
- 14 Walt Goss, Leah Sutherland, Rod Heller
- 16 Allison Pullen
- 17 Charles Sidberry, Jesse Campbell, John Paul Saalwaechter
- 18 Jane Davis, Hunter Humphreys, Peyton Cochrane
- 19 William Preston, Jennifer Alvey
- 20 Syd Rodocker, Henry Branson V
- 21 Bob Abstein
- 22 Tom Sharpe, Dean Bose
- 23 Tina Carpenter, Rudy Jordan, Kathryn Moran
- 24 Donna Thomas, Margaret Brown
- 25 Josh Deepan, Michelle Blackwelder, Darlene Odgers, Judy Larson,  
Shelby Britton
- 26 Laura Medlin, Heather Bottoms, Melanie Adams
- 27 Jennifer Beck, Cassie Farmer, Katie Elkins, Simons Addison
- 28 Lorinda Hancock, Rick Osteen, Mark Robbins, Angie Saylor,  
Donna Stokes-Rogers
- 29 Barbara Rogers, Arthur Watson
- 30 Joey Bryan
- 31 Susan Trailov, Mollie Sessions



# Parish Notices

## August Anniversaries

- 2 Phil & Annette Scharre
- 2 Cindy & Mark Tumblin
- 3 Len & Julie Reinhardt
- 4 Richard & Nancy Boring
- 4 Jay & Pam Fahey
- 5 Rick & Chandler Miniatt
- 5 Devon & Billy Anderson
- 7 Christopher & Angela Lassiter
- 8 David & Darlene Odgers
- 11 Joe & Pam Horne
- 12 Jim & Kim Poole
- 12 Jane & Bob Davis
- 14 Mike & Karen Garfield
- 15 Bill & Jane Muir
- 15 Russ & Taylor Brown
- 17 Charlie & Marian Palmgren
- 18 Andy & Lea Larsen
- 18 Sam & Angie Yeager
- 19 Jim & Phyllis Gray
- 23 Kent & Jeni Burnside
- 24 Tina & Bob Carpenter
- 25 John & Nell Henderson
- 25 Pete & Kellye Pirtle
- 28 Ronald & Marty Ligon
- 30 Gerald & Lorinda Hancock
- 30 John & Cindy Thomsen



## Congratulations

- to Mishelle & Richard Phillips on the birth of their grandson, Jackson Evertt Hays (Bailey Phillips and Jake Hays' son)
- to Spencer and Suzanne Dibble on the birth of their son, James Cooper Dibble

## Condolences

- to the family of Don Michael Dicie, long-time organist and composer in residence at St. Paul's

*May He Rest In Peace and Rise in Glory.*

