



August 7, 2022
The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
8:00 am, 10:00 am and 6:00 pm

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: *Better Be Ready*- traditional Spiritual

Processional Hymn (*Sung at 10:00 am service*):

How Firm a Foundation

H-636

*How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

*"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed; for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*

*When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*

*When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.*

*"The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake."*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant Almighty God, to you... Through Christ our Lord
People **Amen.**

Gloria: (*Spoken at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm only, sung at 10:00 am: S-280*)

BCP, p. 356

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth,
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson:**Genesis 15:1-6**

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 33:12-22 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse; see insert*)**BCP, p. 626**

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

**13 The LORD looks down from heaven, *
and beholds all the people in the world.**

14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze *
on all who dwell on the earth.

**15 He fashions all the hearts of them *
and understands all their works.**

16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; *
a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.

**17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; *
for all its strength it cannot save.**

18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, *
on those who wait upon his love,

**19 To pluck their lives from death, *
and to feed them in time of famine.**

20 Our soul waits for the LORD; *
he is our help and our shield.

**21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, *
for in his holy Name we put our trust.**

22 Let your loving-kindness, O LORD, be upon us, *
as we have put our trust in you.

The Second Lesson (*see insert*):**Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16**

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

*(At the 10:00 am service, during the singing of the Gospel hymn,
a wooden cross will be carried down the center aisle and
the children are invited to follow and to go to Children's chapel-
they will rejoin their family at the Peace)*

Gospel Hymn (Sung at 10:00 am service): O God of Bethel

H-709, Vs 1, 2, and 5

*O God of Bethel, by whose hand thy people still are fed;
Who through this earthly pilgrimage hast all thine Israel led:
Our vows, our prayers, we now present before thy throne of grace:
O God of Israel, be the God of this succeeding race.
Such blessings from thy gracious hand our humble prayers implore;
And thou shalt be our covenant God and portion evermore.*

The Holy Gospel:

Luke 12:32-40

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend W.R. "Rusty" McCown

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People: Form IV

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Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Leader: Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

(Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

A Litany for Blessing Backpacks *(Spoken only at 10:00 am service)*

For schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day,
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

For this new beginning, for new books and new ideas,
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

For the gift of making mistakes and trying again,
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers.
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

For all teachers who educate using God's tools of knowledge, truth, vision, and love,
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

For education equity in this country and around the world, that all children everywhere might have what they need to learn and grow,
God of Wisdom,

We give you thanks.

God, our teacher, we ask you to bless these your children with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. **Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem: *How Can I Keep From Singing?* – American Folk Song

Presentation Hymn: *O Worship the King*

H-388, vs 1

*O worship the King, all glorious above!
O gratefully sing his power and his love!
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (*Spoken at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm, *sung at 10:00 am: S-130*)

BCP, p. 367

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
(*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.)
Heaven and earth are (*full,) full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. (*Hosanna in the highest.)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. *(Hosanna in the highest.)*

...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

...And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: *Christ our Passover*

BCP, p.

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(Spoken at 8:00 am and 6:00 pm)
Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

(Sung at 10:00 am)
*Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Hymnal, S-152

*We invite all persons, to join us at this Table as you are directed to by the usher.
If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and we will serve you in your pew.
If you need to receive a gluten-free host, please extend hands,
crossed, palms down when you come forward to receive.
For directions to take communion, please refer to the take-out insert.*

Music During Communion

What Wondrous Love is This?- Charles Dupree
This is My Body- From *Mary, Cause of our Joy*/ Bonnemere

The Prayer after Communion

BCP, p. 365

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn (*Sung at 10:00 am service*):

The Spacious Firmament on High

H-409, v 1 and 3

*The spacious firmament on high, with all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame, their great Original proclaim.
The unwearied sun from day to day does his Creator's power display;
And publishes to every land the work of an almighty hand.*

*What though in solemn silence all move round the dark terrestrial ball?
What though no real voice nor sound amid their radiant orbs be found?
In reason's ear they all rejoice, and utter forth a glorious voice;
Forever singing as they shine, "The hand that made us is divine."*

Dismissal:

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: *Christ is Coming*- from *Advent Jazz Vespers II*/ adapt. by Bonnemere

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, *Bishop*

The Reverend W. R. "Rusty" McCown, *Rector*

The Reverend Monna Mayhall, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Ann Van Dervoort, *Assisting Priest, Retired*

Donna Stokes-Rogers, *Music Minister* • Rick Jackson, *Organist*

Libby Sullivan, *Children's Minister* • Nic Parmer, *Youth Minister*

Shannon Buttrey, *Parish Administrator* • Kristy Moore, *Finance Manager*

Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager*

BIRTHDAYS:

Sunday: Kathy Ulezelski, Gail Griffin, Chapman Finn, Fiona Wieman **Monday:** Lisa Whitten, Pam Leet **Tuesday:** Emily Williams
Wednesday: Katelyn Waggoner, Bruce Theobald **Thursday:** Nancy Boring, Nan Jorgensen, Amanda Bushnell **Friday:** Emily Boylan,
Mike Wesson, Charles Marshall, Samantha Caroline Hennes **Saturday:** James Sheller

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday: Christopher Lassiter and Angela Lassiter **Monday:** David and Darlene Odgers **Thursday:** Joe and Pam Horne **Friday:** Gavin
and Caitlin Moon, Jim and Kim Poole, Jane and Bob Davis

PARTICIPANTS:

	8:00 am	10:00 am	6:00 pm
Usher:	Paul Hannah	Chris Oberholter	
Usher:	*	Susan Black	
1st Reader:	Chris Oberholtzer	Chris Oberholtzer	Philip Scharre
2nd Reader:	*	George Bishop	
Prayers:	*	Becky Farmer	
Chalice Bearer:	Margaret Brown	Katie Faulkner	Tom Stearns
Chalice Bearer:	*	Lucinda Dyer	*
Crucifer:	Margaret Brown	Andy Peterson	Tom Stearns
Altar Guild:	Chloe Hannah	Phyllis Thompson	Marida Stearns
Altar Guild:		Carolyn Seabrooks	
Vestry Person of the Day:		Scott Faulkner	
Musicians:		Derek Pell	
		Kent Burnside	

St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Becky and Muff Farmer, Dave Berexa, Henrietta Hobdy, Alex Wilkerson, James Dickerson, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Sarah Lauricella, Robyn Painter, Jim Lauricella, Dorcas Mansell, Fanny Haynes, Dean Bose, Kristin Chew, Eliot Williams, Bob Kinsley, Terry Cross, Bill Keith, Joy Craig, Scott Faulkner, Mike, Linda Molesworth, Catherine Gain, Helen Austin, Sharon Collins, Katie Gilchrist, Mary Emilie Acklen, George Bishop, Lucetta Mannion, Fred Newell, Jane Muir, Michael, Martha, Fred, Meg and Fulton, Delores, Joe, Madelyn, Reed, Molly, John, Nancy, Ethan, Mimi, Don, Gray, Cindy, Todd, Kathy, Judy, Suzie, Sandy, Autumn, Tamara, Babs, Meg, Veronia, Loy, Bill, Richard, Kathryn, Madia, Ed, Alister, Thomas, Tom and Kathy, Chuck, Robin, Heather, Zoe, Adam, Barbara, David, Janie and Tom, Bob, Jim, Carol, Susan, Chuck, Hunter, Katie, Jessica, Colton, Sally, Lynette, Sara, Dale, Evan, Wade, Shannon, Pete, Bennett, Jeff, April, Margaret, Wendy, John, Carole and Eric

Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Roy, Jacob, and Colin

Currently serving in the Armed Forces: Alex, Tyler, Ryan, Leelee, Michael, Drew, Lee, Emily, Nick, Larry, and Pete



TODAY – August 7, 2022

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 6:00 pm

St. Paul's Christian Formation Today

- 10:00 AM **Children's Chapel**
- 11:00 AM **Lemonade in the Shade** in courtyard
- 11:00 AM-1:00 PM **Youth Car Wash** – Fundraiser for Barnabas! Come by!

Capital Campaign

Don't miss the Youth fundraiser Car Wash today from 11a-1p! Nic 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 Aug. 14! August is filled with even more key events and deadlines as the Capital Campaign approaches its end. Aug. 24 marks the final deadline for pledges as the campaign officially ends on Aug. 25th, which will be our church's 195th anniversary. Look for a save-the-date for the Campaign Celebration Event to come soon. (hint... it will be on the 25th). Pledge now! Visit the Capital Campaign Website page at <https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/capital-campaign/> 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.

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 or Libby Sullivan, libby@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Rite I on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at the 8:00 am service through August

Bluegrass & Stained Glass– Save the Date

August 14th at the 10:00 am service

Blessing of the Backpacks

Join us Sunday, August 7th at 10 am as we surround our students and teachers with love and support as they begin a new School Year. All students, regardless of age, are welcome to bring their backpack for a special blessing and backpack tag. We will also be offering special prayers for all the teachers in our parish, regardless of your retirement status!

Outdoor Movie Night

Fri, August 12th – Courtyard opens at 6:30 pm & movie begins at 8pm

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@stpaulsfranklin.com

Worship Ministry Fair

Sunday, August 21st at 11:00 am in Founders Hall

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!

Acolyte Training

Sunday, August 28th at 11:30 am in Sanctuary

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).

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. FYI, did you know that Cecilia is the Patron Saint of Musicians? Who better to represent our young musicians?

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.

Women of St. Paul's Social

Friday, August 12th at 6pm at Pat McCracken's Home

The next WSP Social will be hosted by Pat McCracken (102 Hampsted Ln, Franklin, TN). 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.

Bad Girls' Book Club

Tuesday, August 23rd, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm

The next meeting for The Bad Girls Book Club is Tuesday, August 23 in Founders Hall from 6:30 PM to approx. 8:00 PM. Please bring a light appetizer and/or a drink to share. We will be discussing the Book *Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson.

WSP Bazaar

Friday, September 2nd – Saturday, September 3rd

St Paul's Bazaar will be Fri Sept 2nd -Sat Sep 3rd. Volunteers needed Monday, Aug 29th-Sun Aug 4th. Volunteering for the bazaar is a great way to get to know each other better! Sign up genius link below.

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

Donations needed! We will be accepting donations Mon, Aug 29- Wed Aug 31 9am-4pm. 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.

Searching for Godly Play Volunteers!

As a new year of Christian Formation quickly approaches, we need more volunteers to help with our Children's Christian Formation Program-Godly Play. Godly Play volunteers sign up for Sundays that work for their schedule and choose to serve as a Storyteller or a Doorperson. Libby will hand you everything you need to lead the class as the storyteller or support the storyteller as a doorperson. If you are interested in volunteering or are curious about Godly Play at all, please email libby@stpaulsfranklin.com. We welcome volunteers 14 years and older!

Shower Up

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. Please contact the office at shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com.

St. Paul's Corner Gift Shop - Volunteers needed

St. Paul's Corner Gift Shop, located in Founder's Hall is open every Friday and Saturday from Noon-2 pm, and on Sundays between morning services. If you are interested in volunteering to help in the Gift Shop, be a Docent, or help in any other way with this ministry, sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c48abad2fa0f58-stpauls4>. Or the office at shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Contemplative Prayer – Lectio Divina

Mondays at 6:30 pm in Damascus

Lectio divina contemplative prayer will be held every Monday night at 6:30 to 7:30 PM in Damascus.

Women in Theological Studies (WITS)

Thursdays, 9:30am-11:00am via Zoom (this week only)

Wits meets on Thursdays 9:30-11:00 am via Zoom. Susi will show a talk and lead a discussion about the afterlife. To Join, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84981909923?pwd=Qm1Jd213ejFjNmVmVjRPaU5JUWY4Zz09> (**Meeting ID: 849 8190 9923, Passcode: 391301**) If you want to join us, but are not already receiving weekly emails, contact Sarah Karpie at mkarpie@gmail.com with any questions.

St. Paul's Food Pantry

If you are able, there are lots of people in need. We need jelly, canned chicken, pasta sauce, canned dinners, cake/brownie mix, canned fruit cocktail, pasta, soup, diced tomatoes, rice/rice-a-roni, canned tuna, juices, oatmeal, crackers, dried beans, and dried milk. Recyclable bags and sugar-free items are always needed. Thank you to *everyone* who has donated! Please drop them off in front of the church front office door (there is a collection box).

Zoom Groups

Contact facilitator or office (Shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com) Mondays

· 8:00 AM Contemplative Prayer ([Gerald Hancock](#))

· 6:00 PM K-Group ([Gerald Hancock](#))

Tuesday

· 10:20 AM Lectionary Class (ctcrumpton@hotmail.com)

Thursdays

· 4:00-5:30 PM Meditation and Reflection ([Gerald Hancock](#))

Fridays

· 3:30 PM Richard Rohr Class (Susan Nance)