The Epistle



JUNE 2025

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Ice cream sundaes on the last day of Godly Play



The Epistle is published the first of each month. Forward any information you have for News In The Pews, Sunday bulletin, or The Epistle monthly newsletter to communications@stpaulsfranklin.com and we will make sure it gets to the right publication.

Deadline for the July newsletter is Friday, June 27, 2025

Upcoming Events

June 1

Lemonade in the Shade begins

June 8

Pentecost

June 8

Bluegrass and Stained Glass

June 9 -12

Week of Wonder - VBS

June 12

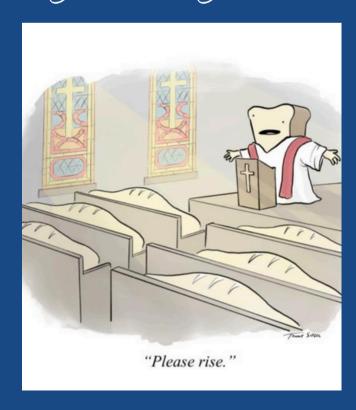
Week of Wonder Parish Wide Dinner Celebration



St. Paul's Maggie Gilchrist, Eliza Tyer, Mimi Bushnell, and Avery Beck are workers this summer at Mountain TOP.

Many more meetings and gatherings can be found on the Church Calendar, under the "About Us" tab on the church website: https://74053364/

Comics Corner



Spring Street

Spring Street

We enjoyed patriotic decorations and a lunch of hamburgers and hotdogs for our final gathering until September. Many thanks to the men of St. Paul's for grilling and our talented musician friends who kept our toes tapping and our hands clapping!









Spring Street











Spring Street













Bishop's Visit











Confirmation Sunday



Adult Confirmations

Eddie Bosel
Brett Gardner
Mary Grace Gardner
Shawn Gregory
Jeff Hainey
San Juanita Hernandez-Bosel
Jenny Kovac
Clara Martini
Jake Martini
Rachel Elizabeth Shoaf
Margaret Small
Caroline Sullivan
Jared Sullivan
Jim Taylor

Youth Confirmations

Mitchell Brown
Samantha Caroline Hennes
Ian Pototschnik
Tate Roh
Sophie Spain
Elizabeth Webster





Re-Affirmed

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Judith Atkinson
Mary Gregory
Jim Miller

Received

Kim Hainey Louise Renaudin

Food Pantry

The Kindergarten classes from BGA stopped by to tour St. Paul's Food Pantries and make some donations.









Food Pantry Sunday

Food Pantry Awareness Sunday is June 22nd. Here is a list of things we need for the pantry:

- Reusable bags, not plastic
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- · Canned fruit
- Canned soups
- Saltines
- Stuffing
- Individual juices
- Canned/Dried beans
- Dried milk
- Cake/Brownie mix



Visit the website at https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/food-pantry or scan the QR Code to see a list of needs.

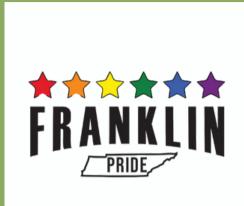
All donations are accepted and welcomed.

Feel free to make substitutions for similar items on the suggested list.





Parish life



Pride

St. Paul's is excited to participate in Franklin's PRIDE festival on Saturday, June 7, 2025 at the Park at Harlinsdale Farm. We need your support to show our pride in St. Paul's and for the community! Volunteers are needed to set-up and tear down our tent, to sit at our table, talk to passers-by, and be part of the gathering.

If you sign up, please bring your own camp/folding chairs to have a place to sit!

Sign up here: https://bit.ly/StPaulsPride2025

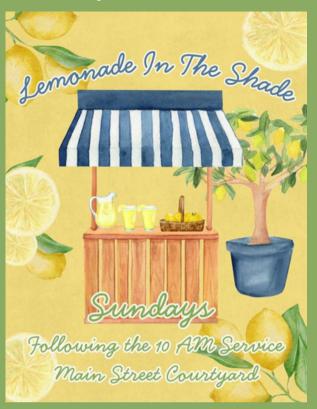
Juneteenth

On Thursday June 19 from 11-3, St. Paul's plans to have a tent at the Juneteenth celebration at the McLemore House, location of the African-American Heritage Society Museum, 446 11th Ave. N. We will need a few volunteers to help set up the tent and take it down and others to sit with the tent to pass out fans and water. It is a great opportunity to represent St. Paul's, support our neighbors, and eniov the festivities! Please click on the link below to sign up.

https://bit.ly/JuneteenthSTP



Parish life



Lemonade in the Shade

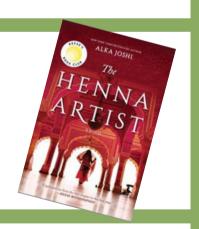
Sundays following the 10 AM Service Main Street Courtyard

Vestry Meeting Minutes

The latest Vestry Meeting Minutes can now be found on the website. The link is at the bottom of the vestry page (https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/vestry/), or click here.

Bad Girls Book Club

The Bad Girls Book Club next meeting is June 24th from 6:30 PM to approximately 8:00 PM in Barnabas. We will discuss *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi. Please bring a light appetizer and/or a drink to share.



Beignets and Hash Browns

We still have hash brown casseroles (\$15) and beignet mix (\$10) for sale in Founders! Payment can be placed in an envelope in the Corner Shop Safe. Casseroles are in the deep freezer in the Barnabas kitchen.





SUMMER SCHEDULE 2025

May 25, Sunday First Day of Summer Sunday Schedule

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

Confirmation and Bishop's Visitation

June 1, Sunday First Lemonade in the Shade Social after 10:00 am service

June 8, Sunday Pentecost Sunday: Everyone wear red!

First Bluegrass and Stained-Glass Sunday, 10:00 am

Pentecost celebration after 10:00 am service.

Week of Wonder Volunteer Commissioning and T-shirt pick-up

June 9-12 Week of Wonder: Jim Warren Park, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

June 12, Thursday evening, Church-Wide Potluck at Jim Warren Pavilion

June 15, Sunday Week of Wonder Celebration Sunday: Wear your t-shirts and children

will sing.

June 18, Wednesday Middle School Day Trip: 9:00 am-5:30 pm, Rising 7th and 8th graders

June 19, Thursday Juneteenth Celebration: McLemore House, Franklin, 11:00 am-5:00 pm

June 22, Sunday EYG Summer Edition: 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

June, 29, Sunday EYG Summer Edition: 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

July 6, Sunday EYG Summer Edition: 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

July 13, Sunday Second Bluegrass and Stained Glass Sunday, 10:00 am

July 13-19 Mountain Top Service Week

July 27, Sunday EYG Summer Edition: 4:00 pm-5:30 pm

August 3, Sunday Blessing of the Backpacks and Teacher Sunday: 10:00 am

August 10, Sunday Third Stained Glass Sunday, 10:00 am

August 31, Sunday Last Sunday of Summer Schedule

Sep. 7, Sunday Rally Day: Return to 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 11:00 am, and 6:00 pm

Sep. 14, Sunday First Day of Christian Formation for all ages

Week of Wonder Celebration

The whole parish is invited to Jim Warren Park enclosed pavilion on Thursday, June 12th from 5:30 to 7pm for the Week of Wonder celebration!

Instead of having a potluck dinner this year, we are having a pizza party with salad and ice cream to end our week together at the park. No need to cook or prepare anything-just bring your family to celebrate with our St. Paul's Family!

RSVP: https://bit.ly/wow-celebration-2025

Whether you plan to join us or you are willing to work on some cut-out projects at home, email <u>libby@stpaulsfranklin.com</u>.



and a season for every activity under the heavens.

Ecclesiastes 3:1

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Youth Sunday















Summer EYG

EYG Summer Edition - Sundays 4 - 5:30 PM - June 22, 29, July 6, 27

From ice cream meet-ups to movie nights, we'll still have youth gatherings this summer, EYG: Summer Edition style! Rising 6th graders will be invited to join us for our August events!

Youth Volunteering Interest Meeting

Do you want to volunteer with our St. Paul's youth as a chaperone, event planner, or small group leader? Whether you're a young adult, parent, or emptynester, you're invited to join us for a youth volunteer interest meeting after the 10:00 service on July 6 in Barnabas Lounge!



All 6th - 12th graders are invited to join us for Episcopal Youth Group (EYG)! Email Brett at <u>brett@stpaulsfranklin.com</u> with any questions!

Young Adults & College Students

ST. PAUL'S
YOUNG ADULTS
Gummer Events

JUNE

5

EPISCOPALS TRIVIA

ML Rose Franklin

7:30 PM

JUNE

21

BACKYARD POTLUCK

& POOL PARTY

1015 W Main St Franklin

5 PM

JULY

3

EPISCOPALS TRIVIA

ML Rose Franklin

7:30 PM

JULY

19

YOUNG ADULTS BRUNCH

1227 Cooks Ct. Franklin

RSVP to 423-956-1460

10 AM



Class of 2025 - High School

Congratulations to our many graduates!
Kudos to your hard work and perseverance and to your families
who are so proud of you!



Peyton Cochrane BrandonSon of Bill and Mary Kate Brandon
Graduate of Independence High School
Attending the University of Texas at Dallas

Nathaniel Christian CardSon of Lawrence and Gia Card
Graduate of Columbia Academy
Attending the University of Alabama at Huntsville





Bennett Webster Chew
Son of Tim and Kristin Chew
Graduate of Nolensville High School
Attending Tennessee Tech University

Class of 2025 - High School

Adam Curwen

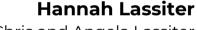
Son of Rob and Summer Curwen Graduate of Page High School Attending the University of Alabama





Emma Haddon

Daughter of Jim and Lori Haddon Graduate of Summit High School Attending the University of Georgia



Daughter of Chris and Angela Lassiter Graduate of Franklin High School Attending Clemson University





Mary Elizabeth Morreale

Daughter of Tony and Sheila Morreale Graduate of Centennial High School Attending Mississippi State University

Class of 2025 - High School

Eduard James Robinson

Son of Rachel Robinson Graduate of Montgomery Bell Academy Attending Mississippi State University





William Caleb Swallows

Son of Chad and Michelle Swallows Graduate of Page High School Attending the University of Alabama at Huntsville



Class of 2025 - College

Nicholas Robert Chew

Son of Tim and Kristin Chew Graduate of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville Bachelor of Science in Supply Chain Management from the Haslam College of Business





Renee Reinhardt

Daughter of Len and Julie Reinhardt Graduate of Western Kentucky University Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Spanish Will attend Vanderbilt University to pursue Master of Education

Madeline Rogers

Daughter of Burns Rogers and DonnaStokes-Rogers Graduate of Western Kentucky University Bachelor of Science in Nursing





Genevieve Phillips

Daughter of Jeff and Annette Phillips Graduate of Belmont University Bachelor of Arts in Sport Administration



WITS - Women in Theological Study

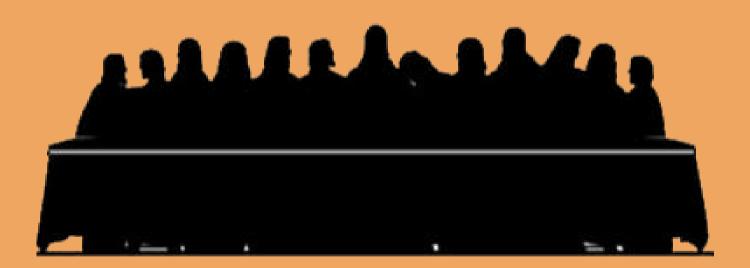
We know Jesus called 12 disciples, and we hear about them in scripture. During the month of June, WITS will dig a little deeper, taking a closer look at who these people were.

Come join us on these Thursdays:

- June 12 (NO WITS) Week of Wonder!
- June 19
- June 26

WITS meets on Thursdays in Barnabas from 9:30 -11:00 am.

If you have any questions, please contact Monna Mayhall at <u>monna@stpaulsfranklin.com</u> or 615-790-0527.



Education for Ministry (EFM)

Education for Ministry (EfM) is offering an all-new curriculum beginning this fall. It is the fifth curriculum revision in the organization's 50 year history. The new texts are supplemented with websites, videos and podcasts.

Here is a link to the current EfM website: https://theology.sewanee.edu/education-for-ministry/

As an EfM alumnae you can choose from any year's program (Old Testament, New Testament, church history and personal theology) or try the new 5th year options called "Wide Angle."

Here is another link you may find to be interesting/useful. https://educationforministry.substack.com/p/new-efm-formation-products-debut?r=2iuasq&utm_campaign=post&utm_medium=web&triedRedirect=true

The new program has less reading, 1-2 hours a week. We meet Tuesday evenings, beginning in September from 6:00 – 8:00pm. We will register St. Paul's group in July.

If you are interested, please reach out. My contact information is Jean Larson, 847-987-6949, jam.larson@gmail.com. Or contact Kelly Pitsenberger, another mentor, at 615-598-6695. It would be great to have you with us.



St. Paul's EfM trip to The Church of the Good Shepherd, Decatur, Alabama

Men of St. Paul's June Events

St. Paul's VBS or Week Of Wonder: Thursday, June 12th. The evening meal will take place at Jim Warren Park instead of St. Paul's due to the construction. We are unable to cook there but may help serve the meal. Stay tuned.

CITY (Church in the Yard): Sunday, June 15th. CITY located at Trinity Episcopal Church, Nashville. This is the second time we will be visiting this year. This is a big deal to the people in this community. We can use all the help we can get for this engagement.

Juneteenth: Thursday, June 19th. This is not a cook event for the MOSP but a request for help in setting up and taking down the St. Paul's booth. The event will be at the McLemore House, 446 11th Ave North, Franklin. The "booth" is an overhead cover, a table and a box of pamphlets. You are also encouraged to volunteer to visit with the community for an hour or so.

Davis House: Wednesday, June 25th. This is a team building time for the staff. Yes, they need a break too. The staff includes those who participate in the delicate responsibility for working through local trauma events.. The "staff" will include Davis, CASA and local law enforcement. We will be cooking and serving a good lunch.

This is the June events to date. Certainly I will provide more detail as each event gets closer and the details are identified. In the meantime, mark your calendars and get ready to have some fun. I am looking forward to seeing you.

Peace,

Fred

Men of St. Paul's and Both Hands

The Men of St. Paul's participated in Both Hands annual TY2 Vision Project. Below is a letter from Both Hands explaining the annual project and the impact from this year's event. You can see the MOSP feeding all of the volunteers in the video referenced. The direct link is: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QugCBHFyDWo

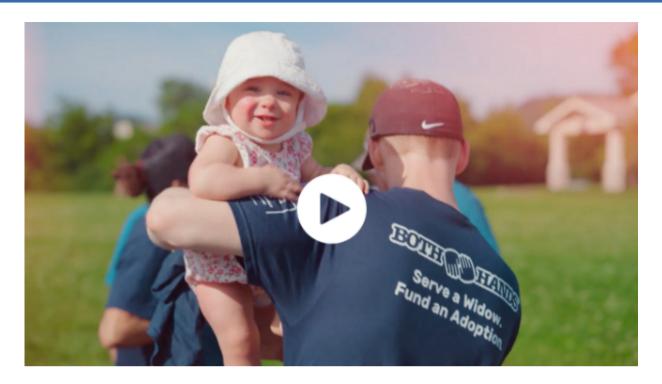


Hi Josh!

Our team is still experiencing the joy (and has mostly recovered from the body aches (a) from our annual Ty² Vision Project!

Our team of **350+ volunteers served 20 widows** across Brentwood and Franklin, TN, to raise funds for continuing the mission of Both Hands. Check out the massive impact this amazing team made, all in just one day!

Men of St. Pauls



As we gathered for kickoff and registration, we also got to share the exciting news that we had just passed **\$22 MILLION raised** for adoptions and orphan care through our projects!!! **Praise God from whom all blessings flow!**

If you remember last year at the Ty² Vision Project, we announced that we had just crossed the \$19M mark. Grab a calculator and do the math real quick...that means we've raised \$3M in one year. That's incredible, but it also makes me wonder what God has in store for this year.

It feels like we're on a roll and the whole team is excited about what this year might bring. We want to serve even more widows, vulnerable kids, and adoptive families. That's where this annual Vision Project comes into play.

Out of the \$22 million raised for adoption costs, Both Hands hasn't taken out a penny for our own operating funds. Your gift allows us to continue living out the call of James 1:27.

We're so grateful for those who have already given towards this year's project. If you haven't yet, it's not too late!

Support the Vision

Men of St. Pauls

Thank you for your partnership in this incredible adventure!

Your Agent for Impact,



JT Olson Founder & President Both Hands



Thank You to This Year's Sponsors!



































Men of St. Paul's









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WSP Social

May's Social was at Cindy Thomsen's home. Thank you Cindy for hosting.







Women of St. Paul's Cookbook

The St. Paul's Cookbook Committee is currently testing Vegetables and Side Dishes for inclusion in our upcoming cookbook. We will be testing recipes in the Pasta, Rice, and Casseroles section next. We can use volunteers to prepare dishes and bring to our next meeting at Barnabus on Wednesday, June 25 at 10am.

Please contact any of us if you would like to test a recipe. Thank you!

Heather Creel, Gwen McKee, Jackie King, Cindy Thomsen, Mindy Boggs, Becky Grimes, Kathy Ulezelski, Catherine Mayhew, Susan Miller

The Outreach Committee of St. Paul's Church functions to serve non profit 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 of 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 with our own 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 the only 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 amazing organizations.



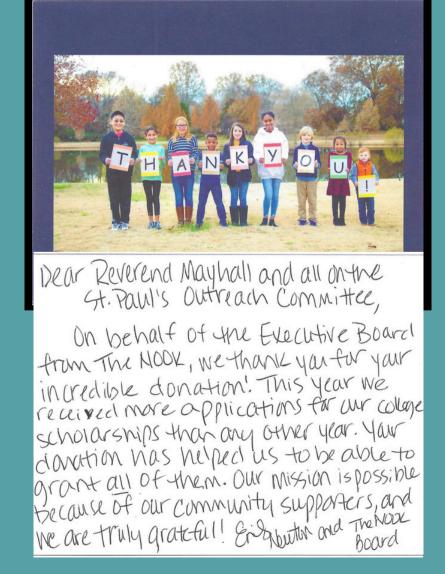
The Williamson County Health Department is once again sponsoring their annual Big Backpack Giveaway on July 26th. This event will give away 2,000 backpacks fully stocked with school supplies for students! The Outreach Committee gifted \$3,000 to help purchase backpacks and supplies. If you would like to volunteer to stuff or distribute backpacks or donate to this worthwhile cause please go to their website at www.thebigbackpackgiveaway.com.



Outreach



The African American Heritage Society (AAHS) is a non profit organization located in Franklin. Their mission is to collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts pertaining to Williamson County's African American culture increase and understanding and appreciation of their heritage for future generations. Each year the AAHS awards several of the Tom Murdic Scholarships to deserving high school seniors in our community. Paul's will be adding \$2,000 to their scholarship fund for the 2026 senior class. For more information about AAHS and how to support this worthy cause in our community you can find them at www.aahswc.org.





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David L. Snowden, Ph.D., Director of Schools • 205 Eddy Lane • Franklin, Tennessee 37064 • 615-794-6624 • www.fssd.org

April 24, 2025

Reverend Monna Mayhall St. Paul's Episcopal Church 510 West Main Street Franklin, TN 37064

Dear St. Paul's,

Thank you for donating \$5000.00 to Franklin Special District Food and Culinary Services for student lunch debts.

What a delightful surprise when we found out St. Paul's wanted to help FSD students! Having a congregation in our community willing to show care to our vulnerable children has been very encouraging to us. I wish I could adequately express how helpful this is to each child. We have more families struggling this year and this will clear up ALL the large negative balances for many children! For children to come through the line and notice their large debt has been wiped away, will be aa huge relief to them, as well as, their parents. (We don't mention it to them, but they can see their balance on the screen if they look.) Please express our appreciation to the Outreach Committee.

I hope the seeds of kindness you have sown will return to you in full bloom.

Franklin Special School District tax exempt number is 626000996.

Sincerely,

Marne' Price

Food and Culinary Operations Coordinator

Franklin Special School District

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615-472-3728

Fax: 615-591-2809

Parish Outreach - Love Thy Neighbor

In May, St. Paul's Love Thy Neighbor volunteers supported Franklin Elementary School's end-of-school-year Field Day! This is an initiative of our partnership with United4Hope, an organization dedicated to connecting churches and public schools to help students and communities thrive. Our St. Paul's is partnered with FES.

5-9-25 Dear Pat, Sam, Sam + angre, and Bob, Thank you so much for taking the time to volunteer for our FES Field Day. Your enthusiasm and help really made a difference in making the day enjoyable. We are sarry the weather turned out chilly and west. The students, parents, and teachers enjoyed your presence and thank your again for coming Sincerely, another year. andrea Dillett Franklin Clementary

Birthday Outreach Ministry

If you like a party, and if you have a heart for visiting people, then we have an opportunity for you that combines the two. On the 2nd Tuesday of every month, join with parishioners to visit Charter Senior Living of Franklin, to celebrate the birthdays of the Charter residents for that month. We will plan to meet there from 12:30-1:30 pm giving us a chance to visit with residents, and eat cake too!



If you are interested, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels June delivery dates are Wednesday, June 18th and Friday, June 20th. Contact Kathy Berry for more information.

Grief Support Group at St. Paul's

Loss comes in all shapes and sizes. Grief of any kind can feel very lonely, even when you have loved ones around. Sharing your sorrow with others who have experienced similar losses can help. The pain of grief can often cause you to want to withdraw from others and retreat into your shell. But having the face-to-face support of other people is vital to healing from loss. The key is not to isolate yourself.

St. Paul's offers a Grief Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. In June, they will meet on the 4th and 18th, from 9-10 am in Barnabas.

Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Stephen Ministry

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

Gicenternial Backroads

May's Bicentennial Backroads Outing was a trip to Sewanee for a tour of Confederate and Lost Cause memorials on Sewanee's historic campus. After lunch at McClurg Dining Hall, they walked the St. Mark's Heritage Trail and learned about the Roberson Project's efforts to preserve and tell Sewanee Black history.





Historic Reflections

Bicentennial Society

Honoring St. Paul's 200th Anniversary

Our St. Paul's Episcopal Church was founded on August 25th, 1827, in a room of the Hiram Masonic Lodge #7 in Franklin when those persons "friendly to the formation of an Episcopal church in the area" met under the leadership of Reverend James Hervey Otey. Honored as the "Mother Church of the Diocese of Tennessee," St. Paul's led the way for Episcopal congregations to bloom throughout our state.

Today, there are three organizations committed to preserving the legacy of St. Paul's.

- The Historic Committee focuses on preserving our past and securing our future by supporting various projects and events that are not provided for in St. Paul's annual budget.
- **The Bicentennial Committee**, which is overseen by The Historic Committee, is responsible for planning and executing activities connected with the Bicentennial in 2027.
- **The Bicentennial Society** is a fundraising entity dedicated to providing financial support for the work of both the Historic and Bicentennial Committees.

Examples of projects that have been funded by the Bicentennial Society include:

Education: We are hosting several historic symposiums on Franklin's early churches and their role in sowing the seeds that helped make Franklin a vibrant, growing community. These events are open to the public and focused on both educating and uniting our local faith communities. We were also instrumental in creating the beautiful history panels on display in Otey Hall and the self-guided tour brochures for our historic Church.

Historic Reflections

Bicentennial Society

Honoring St. Paul's 200th Anniversary

Preservation: The Bicentennial Society has supported cataloguing of our historic documents and photographs and restored the broken tombstone of Bishop Otey's son just outside the front entrance of the Church. We also contributed to the repair of the historic wooden louvers above the front doors of St. Paul's, improving both form and function.

Celebration: Each year we host a festive birthday party for the parish, counting down the years to our Bicentennial in 2027.

One of the primary goals of the Bicentennial Society is to raise funds to support related church-wide and community events without straining our annual operating budget. If you'd like to take part in this unique historic undertaking, please consider joining the Bicentennial Society and play an important role in the education, preservation, and celebration of St. Paul's. Your \$1,000 pledge—due in 2027—can be paid over time by visiting stpaulsfranklin.com/give.

To learn more, please contact any member of the Historic and Bicentennial Committees:

Greer Carlisle, Virginia Callicott, Jay Fahey, Gale Haddock, Colbi Layne Hogan, Pam Horne, Melanie Lampertz, Rev. Rusty McCown, Pat McCracken, Libby Sullivan, Cindy Thomsen, Cindy Tumblin, Kathy Ulezelski, and Mike Wesson.



Historic Reflections

Join St. Paul's Bicentennial Society

With only four years left until St. Paul's 200th birthday, please consider joining the Bicentennial Society by making a donation of \$1,000, payable on a schedule of your choosing between now and 2027.

Funding from the Bicentennial Society supports our mission of preserving our past, and securing our future by supporting various projects and events that are not provided for in St. Paul's annual budget. As a member, you will play an important role in these endeavors.

<u>Education:</u> St. Paul's recently hosted a History Symposium on the establishment of the early churches in the city of Franklin. This symposium, open to the entire community, was the first of a series of events to both educate and unite our local faith communities. The Bicentennial Society has also helped create the history panels on display in Otey Hall and the self-guided tour brochures of our historic nave.

<u>Preservation:</u> The Bicentennial Society has helped catalogue our historic documents and photographs now maintained at the Williamson County Archives, and will soon undertake the restoration of the broken tombstone of Bishop Otey's son at the front entrance of the church.

Presently, the society is helping with the repair of the historic wooded louvers above the front doors of St. Paul's. Keeping the historic parts of our church in good repair is a key goal for the Bicentennial Society.

<u>Celebration:</u> Your membership will also support the many events currently in the planning stages for 2027. When the Bicentennial Society was established in 2017, one of the primary goals was to raise funds to support church-wide and community celebrations without straining the annual operating budget of the church.

Please consider joining the Bicentennial Society and play an important role in the Education, Preservation, and Celebration of St. Paul's.

Gratefully,

Jay Fahey and Libby Sullivan, Bicentennial Co-chairs

Historic Committee Products

Stop by the Corner Gift Shop to pick up some items from the historic committee.





Corner Gift Shop















We Need You...

Ushers For All Services Needed

If you are interested in being an usher for one of our Sunday services, 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. For 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.

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. If you can offer a ride to someone to church on Sunday, contact the church office to be placed on a Sunday Rotation Schedule. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Shannon at 615-790-0527 or shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Recycling



We need the help of parishioners who would be willing to take a blue bag with them to recycle with their own household recyclables when they come to church. Paper is 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 Shannon or any member of the recycling committee. St. Paul's and the environment are grateful for your help.



Financial Performance for the month of April 2025

Summary: One third into the fiscal year and the parish is performing as expected.

Revenues: Cash-In-Plate and pledging remain very strong. Again, cash-in-plate continues to out perform - a single \$22,000 donation came in April. This may get moved once the donor is found, but even without this donation, monthly collections still more than double expectations.

Expenses: Expenses were under budget by 13.4%. The largest areas where expenses were under budget for April were the Music Budget and Sexton Services. Utilities continue to exceed budgeted expectations.

Overall: The parish budgeted for a deficit but operationally ran a small surplus for the month. Non-budgeted expenses (a large Memorial Fund expense for work at Barnabas) resulted overall in a net loss for the month, but the parish remains nearly \$190,000 to the good through the first four months.



	A	В	C (A-B)	D (A/B-1)	E	E	G (E-F)	H (E/F-1)
	April 2025				Year to Date to April 2025			
Item	Actual	Budget	et Monthly Variance - Positive / (Negative)		Actual YTD	Budget YTD	YTD Variance - Positive / (Negative)	
Revenues Pledges & Cash in Plate Other Income	\$96,990 \$696	\$77,483 \$542	\$19,507 \$154	25.2% 28.4%	\$611,841 \$2,674	\$595,604 \$1,167	\$16,237 \$1,507	2.7% 100.0%
Total Revenues Expenses	\$97,686	\$78,025	\$19,661	25.2%	\$614,514	\$596,770	\$17,744	3.0%
Personnel Operating Expenses	\$57,285 \$35,152	\$58,323 \$48,394	(\$1,037) (\$13,242)	-1.8% -27.4%	\$237,136 \$155,518	\$233,690 \$174,907	\$3,446 (\$19,389)	1.5% -11.1%
Total Expenses	\$92,437	\$106,715	(\$14,280)	-13.4%	\$392,654	\$408,596	(\$15,943)	-3.9%
Net Operating Income	\$5,249	(\$28,691)	\$33,939		\$221,860	\$188,174	\$33,685	
Non-Budgeted Rev. & Exp.(Net)	(\$33,686)				(\$37,891)			

June Birthdays

- 1 Kathy Berry, Madison Tabor
- 2 Chelsea Rock, Emma Jones, Louis Laratta
- 3 Coleman Lassiter, Michael Zimmerman
- 4 Emma Johnson, Judi Culver
- 6 Amy McCullough, Tony Morreale, Patti Wilkison, Michael Austin, Wilder Max, Mary Gregory
- 7 Elizabeth Webster, Madelyn Humphreys, Sam Hilley
- 8 Andy McKinley, Rachel Elizabeth Shoaf
- 9 Bryson Williams
- 10 John Sessions, Chip Talbot, Michaela Messina, Bobby Ramirez, Harrison Giamundo
- 11 Jack Wesson, Dana Buse, Phil Scharre, Jan Abstein
- 12 Len Reinhardt
- 13 Jackie King
- 14 Drew Pitsenberger, Charlie Pitsenberger, Jason Bowles, Paul Hart, Lori Haddon
- 15 Eleanor Hyssong
- 16 Jacqueline Brown, Pete Pirtle, Ron Howes
- 17 Sara Cost
- 18 Rick Miniat, Natalie Hennes, Caroline Sullivan
- 19 William Branson, Adam Curwen
- 20 Doug Mayhall, Sophia Dees
- 21 Sam Griffey, Josh Sutherland, Cassy Gilchrist, David McGee, Janet Matz
- 22 Joe Horne, Anne Garrett Armstrong, Autumn DeRosia
- 23 Matthew Hill
- 24 Summer Curwen
- 25 Ellen Kirk, Fletcher Robinson, Michael Whitten, Creighton Cook, Coit Lamb, Suzanne Dibble
- 26 Kathy Bailey, Griffin Moody, Elizabeth Smith
- 27 Katy Johnson
- 28 Christine Pototschnik
- 29 Tim Armstrong, Bob Larson, Rowan Sheridan
- 30 Dewees Berry, Barbara Williams, Jackson Spain

June Anniversaries

- 2 Bruce & Lynn Burton
- 5 Richard & Mishelle Phillips
- 6 Jim & Susan Miller
- 6 Ron & Cyndy Howes
- 7 John & Susan Looney
- 8 Jim & Lori Haddon
- 8 Clara & Jake Martini
- 10 Scott & Kathy Watkins
- 10 John & Sandy Dyess
- 10 Ben & Cindy Shapiro
- 11 Michael & Laurie Austin
- 11 David & Barbara Rogers
- 13 Charlie & Becky Grimes
- 14 Steve & Phyllis Thompson
- 14 Fred & Rita Warner
- 17 Robert & Natalie Hennes
- 17 Fllen & Mason Hart
- 18 Michael & Lisa Whitten
- 19 Ed & Tammey McCormick
- 22 Mike & Becky Gengler
- 24 Scott & Jeannie Jones
- 25 Bob & Becky Facer
- 25 Melanie Adams & Bruce Theobald
- 28 Jessica & Sam Liang
- 29 Charles & Vicki Carlisle
- 30 Heather & Alexander Angola

Marriages

Katie Osteen and Steven Steele



- Barb Roth in the passing of her sister-in-law, Regina Fuller Rexrode
- Katie, Ella and Hope Elkins and Laura Turner in the passing of Victor Elkins

