



**St. Paul's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
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FOUNDED IN 1827

**June 29, 2025**

**The Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**10:00 am**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Prelude:** *The Church's One Foundation*- Wesley, arr. Bay

**Processional Hymn:** *The Church's One Foundation*

**H-525 vs 1, 2, and 5**

*The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
She is his new creation by water and the word;  
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;  
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.*

*Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.*

*Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One.  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy Lord, give grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.*

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **BCP, p. 355**

**People** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

**People** **Amen.**

**Song of Praise:** *O Worship the King*

**H-388, vs 1 and 5**

*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.  
Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender! How firm to the end!  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!*

**The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant** The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant** Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

**The First Lesson:****2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14**

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

**Reader        The Word of the Lord.**

*People*        Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20** (*Spoken responsively*).**BCP, p. 693**

1 I will cry aloud to God; \*

I will cry aloud, and he will hear me.

**2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord; \***  
**my hands were stretched out by night and did not tire;**  
**I refused to be comforted.**

11 I will remember the works of the LORD, \*  
and call to mind your wonders of old time.

**12 I will meditate on all your acts \***  
**and ponder your mighty deeds.**

13 Your way, O God, is holy; \*  
who is so great a god as our God?

**14 You are the God who works wonders \***  
**and have declared your power among the peoples.**

15 By your strength you have redeemed your people, \*  
the children of Jacob and Joseph.

**16 The waters saw you, O God;**  
**the waters saw you and trembled; \***  
**the very depths were shaken.**

17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; \*  
your arrows flashed to and fro;

**18 The sound of your thunder was in the whirlwind;**  
**your lightnings lit up the world; \***  
**the earth trembled and shook.**

19 Your way was in the sea, and your paths in the great waters, \*  
yet your footsteps were not seen.

**20 You led your people like a flock \***  
**by the hand of Moses and Aaron.**

**The Second Reading:****Galatians 5:1,13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what

the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

***People***        Thanks be to God.

*(During the singing of the Gospel Hymn, a wooden cross will be carried down the center aisle.*

*Children are invited to follow it to Children's chapel.*

*Children will rejoin their family at the Peace.)*

**Gospel Hymn: *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky***

**WLP-812, vs 1 and 3**

*I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people's cry.*

*All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.*

*I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.*

*Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?*

**Refrain:**

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, where you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.*

*I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.*

*I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.*

*Finest bread I will provide till their hearts are satisfied.*

*I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?    Refrain*

**The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 9:51-62**

*Celebrant*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

*Celebrant*        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 VI

BCP, p. 392

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;  
**People:** **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**  
Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;  
**People:** **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**  
Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**People:** **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**  
Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**People:** **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**  
Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God  
**People:** **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**  
Leader: For all bishops and other ministers.  
**People:** **For all who serve God in his Church.**  
Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Hear us Lord;  
**People:** **For your mercy is great.**  
Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life...We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**People:** **And praise your name forever and ever.**  
Leader: We pray for all who have died; that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;  
**People:** **Who put their trust in you.**  
Leader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*Silence*)

### Confession

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, in your compassion, forgive us our  
sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your  
Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.)

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Anthem:** *Prayer of Mother Teresa*- Craig Courtney

**Presentation Hymn:** *God is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him* H-379, vs 1 and 2

*God is Love, let heaven adore him; God is love, let earth rejoice.  
Let creation sing before him and exalt him with one voice.  
God who laid the earth's foundation, God who spread the heavens above,  
God who breathes through all creation: God is Love, eternal Love.*

*God is Love; and love enfolds us, all the world in one embrace:  
With unfailing grasp God holds us, every child of every race.  
And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod,  
Then we find that selfsame aching deep within the heart of God.*

## 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

by Rick Jackson

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.*

*Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*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

by Rick Jackson

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

*Therefore, let us keep the feast.*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

## Music During Communion

1. *Let Us Break Bread Together on our Knees*- Afro-American Spiritual
2. *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*- Daw and Cutts
3. *Loving Spirit- Omni Die*, melody from *Gross Catolisch Gesangbuch*

*We invite all who seek God, and are drawn to Christ by the Spirit, to join us at this Table.*

*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 at the communion rail.*

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

H-690

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
Feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.*

*Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong deliverer,  
Be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever sing to thee, I will ever sing to you.*

Dismissal

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

**Postlude:** *The Mighty God With Power Speaks*- traditional Irish tune, arr. Bay

## 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* • Holli Scholz, *Organist*

Libby Sullivan, *Children's Minister* • Brett Smith, *Youth Minister*

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

Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager* • Rachel Shoaf, *Nursery Coordinator*

### BIRTHDAYS:

**Sunday:** Tim Armstrong, Bob Larson, Rowan Sheridan **Monday:** Dewees Berry, Barbara Williams, Jackson Spain **Tuesday:** Nicholas Chew **Wednesday:** Andrew Nickerson, Maria Williams **Thursday:** Annette Scharre **Friday:** Colbi Layne Hogan **Saturday:** Sean Foote

### ANNIVERSARIES:

**Sunday:** Charles and Vicki Carlisle **Saturday:** Marty and Sarah Karpie

### PARTICIPANTS:

#### 10:00 am

Usher:	Judy Stockton
Usher:	Loren Robicheaux
Chalice Bearer:	Andy Peterson
Chalice Bearer:	Lucinda Dyer
Crucifer:	Hattie Lambert
1 <sup>st</sup> Reader:	Steve Thompson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader:	Judi Culver
Prayers:	Robin Hensley
Torch Bearer:	Piper Medlin
Torch Bearer:	Deacon Medlin
Altar Guild:	Karen Montefiori
Altar Guild:	Phyllis Thompson
Vestry Person of the Day:	Larry Whitlock
Musicians:	Kent Burnside, guitar & Melanie Alvey, violin

### St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Alex Wilkerson, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Sarah Lauricella, Robyn Painter, Jim Lauricella, Eliot Williams, Joy Craig, Lois Nagy, Jim Gray, Judy Phelps, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, John Nickerson, Phyllis Gray, Sharon Crumpton, Mary Suttle, John Looney, Andy McKinley, Kathy Miller, Cheryl Russell, Celia Skaggs, Bob Van Dervoort, April Wellikoff, George Gibson, Terry Cross, Patti Rodocker, Gloria Kinnard, Chris King, Vicki Carlisle, Jennifer Beck, Cassy, Sam, Griffin, Michael, Martha, Fred, Meg and Fulton, Reed, Meg, Richard, Janie and Tom, Bob, Jim, Carol, Susan, Katie, Colton, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, JoAnn, Linda, Brittain and Strider, Beverly, Robin, Debbie, Pat, Kay, Mackenzie, Sara, Benji, Victoria, Michael, Stanton, Jack, Wendi and Steve, David, Sara, Mickey, Bill, Leda, Lance, Scott and Donna, Bill, Garrett, Ron, Elizabeth, Ellie, Jenn, David, Elizabeth, Madelinn, Like, Tom, Ralph, Cheryl, the Bottoms family, Brittany, Tom, Campbell, and Tony

### Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Nick, Billy, and Jacob

Currently serving in the Armed Forces: Tyler, Ryan, Leelee, Michael, Drew, Lee, Emily, Larry, Roy, Amanda, Zach, Jake, and William



**TODAY – June 29, 2025**

**Holy Eucharist at 8:00, 10:00 am & 6:00 pm**

11:00-12:00

**Lemonade in the Shade** in Main Street Courtyard

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

**“News From the Pews”**



**Including: Building Updates and exciting photos, Food Pantry List, a full Calendar, and so much more!**

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## Churchwide Events

### Bluegrass and Stained Glass and Lemonade in the Shade

Save the dates for **Bluegrass and Stained Glass** at the 10:00 a.m. service: July 13<sup>th</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup>. Also, join us this summer for **Lemonade in the Shade** after the 10:00 am service in the Main St. Courtyard. **Rite One Eucharist** at 8:00 am: July 6<sup>th</sup> and August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### St. Paul's Day on the Water • Sat, Aug 2 • 9am • Duck River

Come join us for a day on the water on the Duck River. Meet at Higher Pursuits at 9:00 am. We will be taking the Cheek's Bend route, which is 3-5 hours paddling time, plus a stop along the way for a picnic lunch on the river. There is a 30-45 minutes at the beginning and end of the trip to load out kayaks, etc. Bring your own Kayak/Canoe or rent from Higher Pursuits! Sign up here – there are only 25 spots, so don't miss it: <https://bit.ly/STPDayOnTheWater>. Find more information at on the SignUp Genius and [www.higherpursuits.com](http://www.higherpursuits.com). If you have questions, email or text Donna Stokes-Rogers at [donnastokesrogers@gmail.com](mailto:donnastokesrogers@gmail.com) or 615-481-5144.

## Parish Life

### Episcopal Youth Group (EYG) Summer Edition • Today • 4-5:30 pm • Meet at Barnabas

EYG is taking a break from the heat with a summer movie night! Save future EYG dates, same time & place: July 6 & 27. Rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be invited to join our events beginning in August – see you soon!



### 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Men of St. Paul's BBQ Meeting • Tues, July 1 • Barnabas

There will be an initial meeting regarding the Annual Men of St. Paul's BBQ, which will be on Tuesday, July 1, in the Barnabas Middle Room. If you are interested in volunteering to help or getting more involved with the BBQ, please plan on attending – all are welcome! The meeting should not last more than 90 minutes. If you would like to know more or RSVP, please contact Jim Miller at 615-566-9473 or [james.e.miller63@gmail.com](mailto:james.e.miller63@gmail.com).

### Grief Support Group • Wed, July 2 & 16 • 9-10 am • Barnabas

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 morning Grief Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com)

### St. Paul's Young Adults • Episco-Pals Trivia • Thurs, July 3 • 7:30 PM • M.L. Rose Franklin

Do you love trivia? Join our young adults team, the Episco-Pals! If you're a college student or in your 20s or 30s, email [brett@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:brett@stpaulsfranklin.com) for more information about the young adults group or to be added to our GroupMe.

### Youth Volunteering Interest Meeting • Sun, July 6 • 11:30 • Barnabas Lounge

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 empty-nester, you're invited to join us for a youth volunteer interest meeting after the 10:00 service on July 6!

### Coffee Club – Summer Edition • Wed, July 9th-30th • 6:45 AM • Barnabas

The men's Coffee Club meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:45 am in the Barnabas Conference Room to discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel. All men of the parish are invited. We look forward to seeing you.

### Women In Theological Studies • Resumes Thurs, July 10

WITS meets on Thursdays in Barnabas from 9:30 -11:00 am. If you have any questions, please contact Monna Mayhall at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com) or 615-790-0527.

## Outreach

### Birthday Outreach Ministry • 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Every Month • July 9

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 12:40 pm -1:30 pm giving us a chance to visit with residents, and eat cake too! Interested? Contact Monna at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com) or 615-790-0527.

## Announcements

### Mountain TOP Service Team – Ways you can help!

Our St. Paul's team leaves for MTOP in just under a month! We are excited about our time on the mountain this year to partner with residents of Grundy County, working on home improvement projects and providing day camps. In addition to keeping us in your prayers, there are a few ways you can help us prepare! Thank you all for your support of our MTOP youth and adults! Our MTOP volunteers love to receive treats and well-wishes from the parish after a long day on the mountain! If you would like to send a gift, please email [brett@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:brett@stpaulsfranklin.com) to coordinate drop-off by July 11. They will be distributed to our team during our evening church meetings! We have a few tools and supplies on our wish-list! If you would like to contribute to our supplies, we would love Home Depot gift cards to buy the items we need! These can be dropped off in Brett's mailbox in Barnabas by July 6. Would you like to join us this year? It's not too late! We have space available for one day camp youth or adult. The cost is \$405. Please email [brett@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:brett@stpaulsfranklin.com) for more information!

## Building Update

Our building project is running along quite smoothly! The electrical inspection has been approved by the City of Franklin, as well as the new sprinkler system for Founder's Hall. Insulation is complete on the first floor, and drywall has begun and will be complete on the first floor in the next two weeks. The back metal staircase has been installed, and concrete will be poured to complete the stairs. New brick is now being installed and is already complete on the West Main Street facade, the wall next to our neighbor, and over Founders Hall. Next, the new brick will be installed over Otey Hall and continue to meet the other side of the building. The fascia board will then be installed, followed by the gutters and metal roof. In the next few weeks, you will see the new ramped hall begin to be constructed. This ramp will address the ADA requirements for easy access from the higher portion of the building (remember the set of steps in the previous hallway?).

After the brick is complete around the roof deck, the new air conditioning units will be installed with the same sort of crane as the roof decking. This will be interesting to watch...from a safe distance of course. We are keeping the existing roofs over Otey Hall and Founders Hall, as they are in fine working order for now. Also, soon our design team will begin selecting new furniture to fill the office spaces, conference room, meeting rooms, choir room, and children's Sunday school rooms. We will be working closely with the Interior Designers and 906 Architects on new purchases.



Please remember not to enter the construction zone unless approved, as it is still dangerous and you will need a guide and a hard hat. Also, please remain patient during this last 4 plus months of construction. Solomon Builders is projecting a new finish date of October 24. We are currently 40% complete with the entire project. Thank you for your patience and curiosity as we move closer to the finish date. What a great celebration we will have then!

