



St. Paul's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
200
FOUNDED IN 1827

August 23, 2026
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist Rite II
10:00 am

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken*- Haydn, arr. Bay

Processional Hymn: *Awake, My Soul*

H-11

*Awake, my soul, and with the sun thy daily stage of duty run;
Shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay thy morning sacrifice:*

*Lord, I my vows to thee renew; disperse my sins as morning dew;
Guard my first thoughts of springs of thought and will, and with thyself my spirit fill.*

*Direct, control, suggest, this day, all I design, or do, or say;
That all my powers, with all their might, in thy sole glory may unite.*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

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.**

Hymn of Praise: *All Creatures of our God and King*

H-400, vs 1

*All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams,
Pale silver moon that gently gleams,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading:

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Pua, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the

king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live." Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 124 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*)

BCP, p. 781

1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;

2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;

3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;

4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;

5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.

6 Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

The Second Reading:

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: *Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word*

H-530, vs 1-3

*Spread, O spread, thou mighty word, spread the kingdom of the Lord,
That to earth's remotest bound all may heed the joyful sound:*

*Word of how the Father's will made the world and keeps it still;
How his only Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save.*

*Word of how the Savior's love earth's sore burden doth remove;
How forever, in its need, through his death the world is freed.*

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

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

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Monna Mayhall

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.**

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

O Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells- Spiritual, arr. Helvey (Donna Stokes-Rogers, soloist)

Presentation Hymn: *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 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

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 *Christ our Passover*

Rick Jackson

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Music During Communion

Rock of Ages- Hastings, arr. Duncan

I Come with Joy- Wren

Where He Leads Me, I Will Follow- Norris, arr. Duncan

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.*

The Prayer after Communion

BCP, p. 366

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: *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

H-450, vs 1-3 and 6

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all!

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Crown him, ye martyrs of our God, who from his altar call:

Praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!

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Hail him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call,

The God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

The God incarnate, Man divine, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,

To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all!

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Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Hallelujah, We Shall Rise*- Thomas, arr. Duncan

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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*

Maggie Gilchrist, *Nursery Coordinator* • Ashley Anderson, *Youth Intern*

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

Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager*

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jane Muir by Tina Carpenter.

BIRTHDAYS:

Sunday: Tina Carpenter, Rudy Jordan, Kathryn Moran **Monday:** Donna Thomas, Margaret Bearden Brown **Tuesday:** Michelle Blackwelder, Darlene Odgers, Judy Larson **Wednesday:** Laura Medlin, Heather Bottoms, Melanie Adams, Elijah Farmer **Thursday:** Jennifer Beck, Oliver Werner **Friday:** Lorinda Hancock, Rick Osteen, Mark Robbins, Angie Saylor, Donna Stokes-Rogers **Saturday:** Barbara Rogers, Louise Renaudin

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday: Phil and Annette Scharre, Mark and Cindy Tumblin **Monday:** Len and Julie Reinhardt **Tuesday:** Richard and Nancy Boring, Jay and Pam Fahey **Wednesday:** Rick and Chandler Miniatt, Devon and Billy Anderson **Friday:** Christopher and Angela Lassiter **Saturday:** David and Darlene Odgers

PARTICIPANTS:

Ushers:	Laurie and Michael Austin
1 st Reading:	Ron Howes
2 nd Reading:	Cyndy Howes
Prayers:	Deweese Berry
Chalice Bearer:	Ann Denson
Chalice Bearer:	Lucinda Dyer
Crucifer:	Andy Peterson
Torch Bearers:	Kathleen and Elizabeth Webster
Altar Guild:	Phyllis Thompson and Jenny Kovac
Vestry Person of the Day:	Angela Lassiter
Musicians:	Kent Burnside, guitar and Derek Pell, violin

St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Robyn Painter, Eliot Williams, Joy Craig, Jim Gray, Phyllis Gray, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, Mary Suttle, John Looney, Bob Van Dervoort, Terry Cross, Elmer White, Inez Rice, Darrell Harris, Mary Hill, Connie Trahan, Dee Rainey, Doug Little, Jess and Dorothy Fitzpatrick, Cindy Painter, George Gibson, Sue Richardson, Sam, Griffin, Michael, Martha, Meg and Fulton, Reed, Meg, Bob, Katie, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, JoAnn, Linda, Brittain and Strider, Beverly, Robin, Debbie, Pat, Kay, Benji, Victoria, David, Sara, Lance, Scott and Donna, Jenn, Mike, Cheryl, Theresa, Tim, Tom, Bob and Gloria, Gary, Randy, Linda, Sue, Oliver, Emron, Wells and the Warren family, Mimi, Steve, Felicia, Kim, Paul, John, Marianne, Sheryl, Shannon, Chris, Sam and Shirley, Tommy and Sue, Noah, Jim, Gannon

Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Nick, Billy, Jacob, Roy, Nicholas, Daniel, and Chris

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



TODAY – August 23, 2026

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 6:00 pm
St. Paul's 199th Birthday Party in Otey Hall

11:00

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

“News From the Pews”



Including: Food Pantry List, a full Calendar, and more!

Churchwide Events

St. Paul's Birthday Party • Today • 11:00 • Otey Hall

What happens when you're counting and get to one hundred and ninety-nine? In St. Paul's case, next stop is our Bicentennial! But that historic celebration will have to wait one more year as we commemorate our 199th birthday this month. Festivities will begin today in Otey Hall right after the 10:00 a.m. service. Franklin resident Walter R. Green, Jr. will be sharing a presentation from his book: *In the Shadow of My Enemy: Civil War Life in Occupied Franklin, Tennessee*, which illuminates the true stories of people who lived during and through the aftermath of the American Civil War here in Franklin. His book will be available for purchase. Please plan to join us. We'll have birthday cake and ice cream for all and a drawing for a beautiful St. Paul's T-shirt (must be present to win!).

Burgers and Bluegrass • Wed, Sep 9 • 5:30 • 6th Avenue Courtyard

Save the date for September's Gathering for Good! Join us for Burgers and Bluegrass in the courtyard. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for a Courtyard Concert! Suggested: \$10 per person, \$30 Max per Family.

Parish Life

Compline • 4th Tues of the Month • Aug 25 • 8:15 PM • Founders Hall

Compline will be offered monthly. All are welcome - No RSVP needed. Simply bring your Book of Common Prayer (+ your Bible, if you wish) & enjoy sharing this peaceful service at the close of the evening with fellow participants. Contact Ann Denson if questions: densonannm@gmail.com

Grief Support Group • Wed, Sept 2 & 16 • 10-11:00 am • Founders Hall

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 key is not to isolate yourself. St. Paul's offers a morning Grief Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Please note the new meeting space. Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com

Women of St. Paul's • Dates to Remember

Don't forget the **Labor Day Bazaar, September 4 and September 5** - Save your items. We will begin collecting items Sunday morning, August 30, and will collect donated items August 31 - September 2. Sign-up here to volunteer: <https://bit.ly/sp-bazaar2026-volunteers>

Oct 23 – WSP Social at the Home of Susan Miller

Nov 19 – WSP Social at the Home of Pam Leet

2026 Christmas Tea - December 12! We will have two seatings as has been done in previous years. We will announce ticket sales a little closer to the event. Questions? Don't hesitate to get in touch with the WSP Board.

Birthday Outreach Ministry • 2nd Tuesday of Every Month • Sept 8

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. We plan to meet there from 12:40 pm -1:30 pm, giving us a chance to visit with residents and eat cake, too! Interested? Location: Charter Senior Living (105 Sunrise Circle, Franklin). Contact Monna at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Women In Theological Studies (WITS) • Thursdays • Resumes Sept 10

August – WITS will not meet this month

Sacred Ground • Mondays, Oct 5-Dec 14 (11 weeks) • 6:30-7:30 • Zoom

Sacred Ground is an opportunity for education and conversation through an 11- week film and reading-based dialogue series based on Race and Faith. This Sacred Ground workshop is presented by the Beloved Community Commission of the Diocese of TN, and is created by the national Episcopal Church for the purpose of promoting racial reconciliation. Sacred Ground is:

- Anchored in impactful documentary films and readings.
- Explores U.S. racial history alongside current scholar perspectives.
- Intersects Indigenous, Black, Latino, Asian, and European American histories.
- Centers on personal story-sharing and building deep connections.
- Addresses mutual racial harms to foster intentional healing.
- Connects race with class, geography, politics, and family history.
- Framed as a Christian spiritual journey toward a beloved community.

In addition to the films and article, there are two books we will read over the course of the study - Waking Up White by Debby Irving, and Jesus and the Disinherited by Dr. Howard Thurman. For more information, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com. We invite you to join us on this Sacred Ground journey. REGISTER HERE:

<https://bit.ly/sacred-ground-workshop> More information about the Beloved Community can be found on the diocesan website at: <https://edtn.org/programs/beloved-community-commission-racial-reconciliation/>

Become a Stephen Ministry • Training begins Oct '26

"I was sick and you took care of me" -Matthew 25: 36

The Stephen Ministry Series is a complete system for training and organizing lay people to provide ONE-TO-ONE Christian care to hurting people in and around the St Paul's congregation.

- ☐ The Stephen Ministry is Christ-centered.
- ☐ The Stephen Ministry is always about finding people who want to listen and care for other people.
- ☐ The Stephen Ministry will equip a Stephen Minister for the work they are to do.
- ☐ The Stephen Ministry will support all Stephen Ministers through faith, sharing and love.
- ☐ All conversations between the Stephen Minister and the care receiver are confidential.

Training classes for anyone interested in becoming a Stephen Minister will begin in early October and run through early March (total of 18 gatherings)

Besides the initial Saturday class (Oct 3), classes will meet on Tuesday evenings at Franklin First United Methodist Church from 6:30-9:00 pm. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister or you have additional questions about the Stephen Ministry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, please contact Monna Mayhall monna@stpaulsfrnklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Christ caring for people through people

Youth

Youth River Float • Sun, Aug 30 • 11:30-3:30 • Meet at Barnabas

Bring a friend and a brown bag lunch and spend the afternoon floating down the Duck River for \$20/person! Sign up here by **August 23**: <https://bit.ly/SPYouthEvent>

Youth Group Kick-Off & Parent Meeting • Sun, Sept 13 • 4:30-6:00 • Barnabas

It's time to kick-off youth group for '26 - '27!! All 6th - 12th graders are encouraged to join us to celebrate! Parents are asked to stay until 5 for a brief meeting ... and snacks!

Outreach

CITY – a Homeless Ministry • 3rd Sunday of Every Month • Sept 20

On the third Sunday of each month, a group from St. Paul's travels to downtown Nashville to participate in Church in the Yard ("CITY"). We serve hot meals to 125-150 of our homeless brothers and sisters. There are many ways to help – Questions? Contact Ellen 615-545-8820 / ellenvkirk@gmail.com or Gerald 615-604-9635 or gywhancock44@gmail.com

Spring Street • Volunteer Opportunities

The September Spring Street gathering will include a pumpkin craft and lasagna for lunch. Some of our faithful volunteers will be on the St. Paul's trip to Greece and a few others will be healing from medical challenges, so we are keeping the menu simple. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/spring-street-09-26>

If you have any questions, please contact Jackie at momking2nd@yahoo.com or text 914-329-3017.

Announcements

Women of St. Paul's Annual Mum Sale • DEADLINE AUG 26

The Women of St. Paul's Fall Mum Sale is in full swing and runs through Wednesday, Aug 26th. The cost is \$25 per basket. Look for order forms soon. Order forms will also be available online. Pick-up will be September 12th. Proceeds from this sale will help offset the cost of the annual women's retreat.

Serve Together in Worship • Volunteer Opportunities

Worship is a collective offering, and we invite you to share your unique gifts within our community. Essential volunteer ministries include Chalice Bearers, Readers, Ushers, Altar Guild, and Choir. No experience is necessary.

Men of St. Paul's Annual BBQ and Women of St. Paul's Bake Sale •

Save the date • Sat, October 3, 2026

Godly Play Leaders Needed for the Fall!

Christian Formation for all ages begins September 20th, and we are in need of more volunteers to help with Godly Play: our children's curriculum. Volunteers can be a storyteller, who leads the week's story, or a doorperson who serves as the extra adult in the room to support the children. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up 1-2 times per month, but any help is appreciated and we will work around your schedule! If you are interested, please email libby@stpaulsfranklin.com.