

# The Epistle



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## November 2015

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### WHO ARE WE?

We, as St. Paul's, are a theologically diverse community who seeks to embrace our diversity in order to live through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and be a place of belonging for all people.

## From the Pile on Fr. Kirk's Desk. . .



Every Sunday is important, but Sunday, November 15th is extra special. There is a lot of good stuff going on at St. Paul's on this day. I pray you will choose to be here, and this is why...

**First**, it will be Bishop Dan's annual visit. This is a time when he gets to experience St. Paul's, and when I say St. Paul's what I mean is you. Each of you brings life to the parish when you walk in the doors. When you are not here your absence is felt; there is a hole. Don't let Bishop Dan fall in a hole. Instead, come on November 15th and help him experience St. Paul's as a whole.

**Secondly**, on November 15th we are scheduled to present five of our members for Confirmation (mature claiming of their baptism), one of our members for Reception into the Episcopal tradition, and we will present one of our adults for Baptism. This is exciting and a special time the community comes together to support these persons in their walk with Christ.

**Thirdly**, November 15th is our Ingathering/Commitment Sunday. On this day we will turn in our Pledge/Commitment cards as an outward and visible sign of our gratefulness and support for each other and the ministries we share through our common connection of St. Paul's. Each Pledge/Commitment card is equally important no matter what is written on them...we pledge to support the ministries, but our commitment is to God in Christ Jesus.

I support these important reasons to come and worship on this extra special day. I hope you will be here too.

9:00 Contemporary, 11:00 Traditional

*Kirk*

## Senior Warden's Report



I am grateful for everything I have and I hope the reflections offered during our "Journey into Gratitude" pledge drive have touched you the way they've touched me. It's been a helpful reminder

that God is the ultimate giver.

My own spiritual journey has kept me right here at St. Paul's for 49 years (since I was in kindergarten). During my journey I have learned that while giving generously is important, it is also important that I share my time and talents with various ministries.

In giving both resources as well as my time, it has opened me up to even more of God's blessings. I'm heartened by what my giving can do for the mission and ministry at St. Paul's.

I look forward to bringing my pledge card forward during the Offertory on November 15<sup>th</sup>, as I know it reflects my faithful response to a loving and generous God, whose grace I experience in the midst of this community.

On behalf of the Vestry and Stewardship Committee, thank you for your generosity and faithfulness in taking the next step in discipleship.

Barb Monroy, Sr. Warden

## November in the Food Pantry

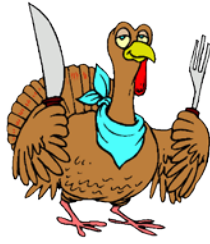
### "Holiday Fixins"



The stuff that compliments a holiday dinner such as dressing, boxed potatoes, gravy mixes, canned veggies, cranberry sauce, apple sauce etc.

## Thanksgiving Day Pot-luck

St. Paul's will be hosting their 8th Annual Thanksgiving Day Pot-luck Luncheon in the parish hall at 1:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day. There is absolutely NO expectation for you to come. However, everyone in the parish is invited. This gathering is intended for anyone who does not yet have plans for a traditional Thanksgiving feast, as well as for those who simply would rather make a mess somewhere other than their own home. So, for those of you who might want to skip the local buffet line this year, bring your favorite Thanksgiving dish and/or dessert and enjoy a feast with other members of the St. Paul's community. If you would like to prepare a turkey or a ham please let us know...and stuffing, we can't run out of stuffing...and mashed potatoes too...Oh yes and pie, pie is good, don't forget the pie.



There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex (foyer). If you can sign-up it would be helpful (so we know how much meat to provide) but if you forget to sign-up, or if your plans change at the last minute and you want to join us, please come anyway. The Lord will provide. The parish hall will be open at noon and we'll eat at 1:00p.m.

For more details contact John Hannah at [ramblindad.john@mymail775.net](mailto:ramblindad.john@mymail775.net), or call the parish office, 358-4474.

## The Daughters of the King

Are you not quite sure who The Daughters of the King are and what it is they do? Contact Connie Patterson at [cp4675@att.net](mailto:cp4675@att.net) or by phone at (775) 359-4675.



## Ordination at St. Paul's

Join us on Saturday, November 14th at 3:00 p.m. for the ordination of Hal Woomer to the Transitional Diaconate. Hal and his family have been with St. Paul's for the last 1 ½ years as he has been making the transition from a pastor in the Methodist Church to an Episcopal priest. You will begin seeing Hal helping lead worship on Sundays, so come and celebrate with him on this great occasion.

## Outreach Report



The amounts reflected in this report are for the last two months. (IDM) International Development Mission received a generous donation of \$1,000.00. Other donations received include \$335.00 to the Food Pantry, \$75.00 to the Prayers and Squares quilt ministry, and \$110.00 to Clergy Discretionary.

Patti Stine, Outreach Committee

## Fall Concert: November 6th

Come and enjoy the bluegrass and country sounds of "Homemade Jam" on Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> from 7pm-9pm. Tickets \$15...Kids 18 and under are FREE. Call Heather Burkhardt for more information. 775-544-7329

## Projection Team Members Needed

Do you like to work with computers? Can you pay attention in worship? If so, maybe you are being called to the Projection Team Ministry. This ministry is during the 9:00 Contemporary service. You get here a little early and turn on the projectors and you are the electronic "page turner"...the one who changes the liturgy to the next slide. For more information, contact Fr. Kirk 775-358-4474 [Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org)

## Monthly Receipt Summary



### St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Sparks Funding the Mission October 2015

For the 2015 year, our pledges and expected plate income is expected to be \$212,756, and should average \$4,091 per week from those sources.

27-Sep	\$3,202.00	4-Oct	\$2,081.00
11-Oct	\$3,201.00	18-Oct	\$1,744.00
		Online	\$5,858.00
September Total			\$16,086.00

For the period, our budget target was (4 x \$4,091) \$16,364 so we are \$278 under the projection for this period, and \$1,742 under for the year.

The monthly Financial Statement of Mission contains detail on all our financial activity, and is posted in the narthex. You can direct questions to Dick Stufflebeam or Patti Stine. (Email: [dick@stpaulssparks.org](mailto:dick@stpaulssparks.org))

**AN IMPORTANT NOTE:** By all your gifts, we are blessed. For all your gifts we are grateful.

## St. Paul's Prayers & Squares



The "Prayers and Squares" ministry is a special "outreach" tool to share the love of Christ. The quilts bring a tangible example of the love we all share with

those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit. You do not have to know how to sew, or like to sew, but can also just join us for the fellowship we all share.

We meet on the second Saturday of each month in the Parish Hall from 9 A.M. to noon.

We gladly receive donations of materials, thread, etc. and cash to purchase necessary supplies.

If you would like to join us, or if you would like to request a quilt for someone, please contact Victoria Sidener 322-2375.

## Prayers of the People

Please help us keep our Prayer Chain List up to date. Let someone in the Prayer Chain Group or Robin in the office know each month if we are to continue to pray for your special people. Thank you.



### Prayer Requests

Forrest, Diane, Russ, Pat, Barbara, Larry, Anne, Philip & family, Nanette & family, Preston, Jameson Walker, Karen, Sven, Gracie, Jaemie, Rev. Bill, Marilyn, Fiona, Robert, Bill, Trudy, Lori, Dick, Keith, Brett, Ella, Diana, Curt, Vickie, Ted, Patricia, Sophia, Julie, Baby William, Amber, Brian, Paul, Eileen, Mary, Al, Connie, Steve, Trisha, Elaine's family, Sarah, Jerilyn & family, Sadie, Rita & family, baby Naomi Joy & family, Laura, Amanda's family, Bev, Maeghan, Cora & family, Cliff, Milt, Greg, Sixten, Mike, Lisa, Joe, Marge, Evelyn, Wendy, Scott, Jim, Kathleen, Janelle, Jane, Victoria, Shannon & Linda.

Military: Andrew, Ryan, Jeffrey, Sierra, Owen, Brian, Jordan, Evanne, Carl, Alex & Suzanne.

## Recovery Groups at St. Paul's

Mondays: AA Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: Women's AA @ 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays: Gama-Non Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.  
and Ala-Non Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.



## Guest Preacher: November 8th

**The Rev. Britt Olson**, our former rector, will be our guest preacher at both the 9:00 and 11:00 services on Sunday, November 8th.

Rev. Britt will be in town leading a vestry retreat for Trinity Episcopal Church and she has agreed to preach for us during her visit.

Rev. Chip will be presiding at both of those morning services while Fr. Kirk is in Las Vegas at the state swim meet with his son.

## Youth Group EYC



EYC is an Episcopal Youth Community where all youth (and their friends) who are in grades 6-12 are invited to come and participate. The focus will be different each week, but you can count on whatever the EYC is doing it will stimulate our growth with God and with each other, and our growth in serving Christ in the world. We invite you to come join us for food, fellowship and fun! If you are new to St. Paul's we welcome you to join us.

If you have any questions, please contact Tricia Woodliff at [triciawoodliff@hotmail.com](mailto:triciawoodliff@hotmail.com) or Tia or Jon Mittelstadt at 775-722-3469 or by email at [tia.mittel@gmail.com](mailto:tia.mittel@gmail.com).

EYC will meet in the youth room from 10:15 AM until 12:15 PM unless listed differently in the schedule. Please join us for the following activities:

### **November 1: Leaf Raking Service Project**

Daylight Savings is today so set your clocks back (fall back) or you will be early! Meet in the youth room where we will eat lunch and then

go rake leaves for some of the elderly people in our congregation. Please bring work gloves and your favorite rake. Be sure to wear warm clothes (but not too warm because you will be raking and bagging) and sturdy shoes. **6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend this activity.**

### **November 8: Movie Time!!**

Meet in the youth room. We will eat lunch then head to Victorian Square Sparks Cinemark to see "Goosebumps". The movie begins at 11:35 am so we won't return until around 1:30 pm. The price for the movie is \$6.40. Bring money for snacks if you like. **6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend this meeting.**

### **November 15- Confirmation - Bishop at St. Paul's**

No Youth Meeting Today. The youth who have been participating in the confirmation class for the last year will be confirmed at the 9 am service. Come and support their confirmation.

### **November 22- Designer Waffles and Discussion on Other Religions**

Meet in the youth room. We will make our own designer (pick your favorite mix-ins) waffles, have a discussion about other religions and play some fun games if we have time. **6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome to attend this meeting.**

### **November 29- No meeting -Happy Thanksgiving!**

No meeting today. Enjoy your Thanksgiving weekend with your family and friends!

## The Bishop's Annual Visit

Bishop Dan will be here on Sunday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> during the 9:00 and 11:00 services.

Please read Fr. Kirk's "From the Pile" for the scoop.



## Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

We need you! There is a new signup sheet located in the Narthex. Duties included making coffee, setting up "goodies" and clean up.



The 9:00am person makes coffee & sets up. The 11:00 am adds more goodies and does the clean-up.

Contact Ann Church for additional information, or the parish office at 358-4474.

## Pinterest Interest Group



Come join us in the parish hall on the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. for food, fellowship, and fun crafts! (November 2<sup>nd</sup>)

To sign up, follow this link.

<http://doodle.com/poll/ivymk3md4ddyhebr>

If you want to volunteer to bring food or your best crafty Pinterest idea you can do that at this link too. You can also contact Barb Monroy to sign up or to get some more information.

775-742-4856 bmonroy0216@gmail.com

## Need Baked Goods for a Special Party? Meeting? Birthday?



Sally Sue's Bakery is run by our very own Sarah and Hayley Lightfoot. ALL proceeds go to St. Paul's Church. For orders and questions call Sarah or

Hayley 626-8519. Visit the website for a pricelist and pictures of their past works. Check out Sally Sue's Bakery at [www.sarahlightfoot.blogspot.com](http://www.sarahlightfoot.blogspot.com)

## Do you worship at 11:00?

If you worship at the 11:00 a.m. service, we need your help in the following areas:

**Ushers** (Pass out bulletins and other stuff)

**Lectors** (Read Scriptures)

**Eucharistic Ministers** (serve chalice)

**Adult Acolytes** (Carries the Cross in the procession and assists the clergy)

If you are interested, please contact Fr. Kirk. [Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org) 358-4474

## Lectio Divina Bible Study

Come and join us in the parish hall for this Holy Spirit guided study of scripture. (no homework required ☺)

**Combined Men's and Women's Group**

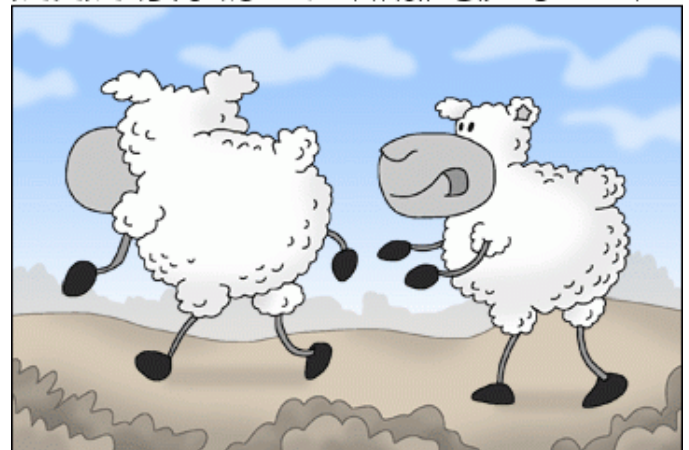
Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**Men's Group**

Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Contact The Rev. Mike Margerum for more information. [mgoodmarge@gmail.com](mailto:mgoodmarge@gmail.com) or 775-229-2695

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CAN WE PLEASE STOP AND ASK FOR  
DIRECTIONS?



**Saint Paul's Episcopal Church Presents**

# **HOMEMADE JAM**



## **FINAL PERFORMANCE AS A BAND**

**Friday, November 6, 2015**

**7:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

**TICKETS**

**\$15.00**

**Call 358-4474**

**Or**

**544-7329**

**[Heather.burkhardt@henryschien.com](mailto:Heather.burkhardt@henryschien.com)**

**Desserts and drinks available**

**KID'S 18 AND UNDER FREE**

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## NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Usher	Healing Minister	Crucifer	Torch	Projection
November 1 9:00 Family Service			Bob Bibby Gene Carse	Connie Patterson	Alex C	Reagan M Rylee D	Jody Rolfson
November 1 11:00 Traditional	Keith Lightfoot Margaret B	Mike Entwistle Victoria Sidener	Jack Smith Walt Coopman	Dan Bouzek	Stephanie S		
November 8 9:00 Contemporary	Deb Stiver Heather B	Gene Carse Linda Devon	Bryan Callen Jeff Devon	Travis Dixon	Chelsea H	Abbay A Merryn A	John Hannah
November 8 11:00 Traditional	Millie Mitchell Penny Mayer	Marge Parent Pat Entwistle	Dave Snell Jack Smith	Marge Parent	Mike E		
November 15 9:00 Contemporary	Linda Devon Susan Gordon	Eileen Caspersen Patricia Unruh	Dick Stufflebeam Steve Smith	Brenda Stracner	Aden C	Brennan M Reagan M	Peggy Hannah
November 15 11:00 Traditional	Holly Stevens Sue Oddo	Dan Bouzek Pat Entwistle	Jack Smith Walt Coopman	Marge Parent	Mike E		
November 22 9:00 Contemporary	Bryan Callen Linda Kennedy	David Gordon  Deb Stiver	Bob Bibby Rich Stufflebeam	Sherryl Netzler	Cooper W	Avery C Taylor S	Jody Rolfson
November 22 11:00 Traditional	Pat Entwistle Victoria Sidener	Mike Entwistle  Marge Parent	Dave Snell Jack Smith	Dan Bouzek	Alyson B		
November 29 9:00 Contemporary	Lindy Mandas Nancy Lightfoot	Fran Donald Susan Gordon	Gene Carse Jeff Devon	Patricia Unruh	Jeremy H	Aden C Kim R	John Hannah
November 29 11:00 Traditional	Daniel V Nannette F	Victoria Sidener  Deb Stiver	Dan Bouzek Walt Coopman	Mike Entwistle	Deb S		

**If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, please find a replacement and let the office know. Thank You. 775-358-4474**



## Coming Events



### November 2015

Sunday	Nov. 1, 2015	<i>All Saints' Day</i>	
Monday	Nov. 2, 2015	Pinterest Interest Group	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Nov. 4, 2015	Funeral: Carolyn Longland	2:00 pm
Wednesday	Nov. 4, 2015	Book Study <i>Reading the Bible for 1<sup>st</sup> time.</i>	6:00 pm
Friday	Nov. 6, 2015	"Homemade Jam" Concert	7:00 pm
Saturday	Nov. 7, 2015	D.O.K.	10:00 am
Sunday	Nov. 8, 2015	Dios Con Cristo	1:00 pm
Monday	Nov. 9, 2015	Vestry Meeting	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Nov. 11, 2015	<i>Veteran's Day (office closed)</i>	
Wednesday	Nov. 11, 2015	Rector's Book Study	6:00 pm
Saturday	Nov. 14, 2015	Church Clean-up Day	8:30 am
Saturday	Nov. 14, 2015	Prayers & Squares	9:00 am
Saturday	Nov. 14, 2015	<i>Ordination for Hal Woomer</i>	3:00 pm
Sunday	Nov. 15, 2015	Annual Bishop's Visit & Ingathering Sunday	
Sunday	Nov. 15, 2015	Outreach Meeting	12:15 pm
Saturday	Nov. 21, 2015	D.O.K.	10:00 am
Wednesday	Nov. 25, 2015	<i>*Food Bank Truck &amp; SNAP program only!</i>	9:00 am
Wednesday	Nov. 25, 2015	Epistle Deadline	12:00 pm
Wednesday	Nov. 25, 2015	<i>Evening Distribution Food Pantry</i>	5:30 pm
Thursday	Nov. 26, 2015	<i>Thanksgiving Day (office closed Thurs &amp; Friday)</i>	
Thursday	Nov. 26, 2015	Thanksgiving Parish Dinner	1:00 pm
Thursday	Nov. 26, 2015	<b>No Bible Studies or Healing Service</b>	
Saturday	Nov. 28, 2015	<b>No Food Pantry</b>	
Sunday	Nov. 29, 2015	<i>Advent 1</i>	

### Recurring Events

**Winter Worship Hours in effect - Worship times, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.**

EYC meets every Sunday @ 10:15 a.m. in the Youth Room.

#### **Rector's Sabbath is every Tuesday**

AA meets every Monday at 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room

Choir Practice 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays or (Check with your Team Leader)

Praise Team 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays or (Check with your Team Leader)

AA (Women's group) meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Parish Hall

Alanon meets every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Parish Hall

Lectio Divina – Bible Study meets Thursday mornings at 11:00 a.m.

Healing Service with Holy Eucharist Thursday Evening at 6:00 p.m.

Men's Bible Study Thursday evenings @ 7:00 p.m.

Food Pantry is open Wed. 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

\*Fourth Wednesday of the month is the SNAP program & Food Bank Truck **ONLY**.

Gam-anon meets every Thursday 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Choir Room

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*Walking Together in Faith*

- Sun., 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Contemporary*  
*Sun., 9:05 a.m. Children's Sunday School*  
*Sun., 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Traditional*  
*Sun., 5:00 p.m. Traditional Holy Eucharistic, No Music*  
*Wed., 12:30 p.m. Healing Service with Holy Communion*  
*Thur., 6:00 p.m. Healing Service with Holy Communion*