

October

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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WHO ARE WE?

St. Paul's is a reconciling, affirming, and inclusive Christian community. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, you belong here. Our understanding of belonging extends to those who are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered. Belonging here has no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we. You are worthy, so come as you are.

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



Our response to neighborhood homelessness:

We had 23 people participate in two listening sessions about the increase number of homelessness in our neighborhood.

I was pleased with the turnout as well as with the courage it took for those who shared their thoughts, the range of which was diverse.

It is now time to discuss what our response, as a community of faith, might be.

Join me in the Parish Hall on Sunday, November 10th at 12:30. In the meantime, pray about it...what is St. Paul's Christian response?

Peace.



Blessing the Animals: October 6th

The Annual Blessing of the Animals will be held this year during the 5:00 p.m. service on Sunday, October 6th. Yes, during the service and yes, it will be loud at times (and we will have Holy Communion.) Please bring your pet in an appropriate carrier or restraint. Thank you.

Sagebrush Rebels Concert, Oct. 18th with Chili Cook-off & Cookie Bake-off

On October 18th we are proud to host the Sagebrush Rebels. This a is a five piece band, fortified with pedal steel and fat harmonies, kicks it from classic to contemporary country.

Time of concert -6:00pm - 8:30pm

Ticket Prices: Concert Only \$15.00 – kids 18

and under free

Concert & Dinner \$25.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children age 12-18, under 12 free.

Details and Entry Forms for the Chili Cook-Off and Cookie Bake-Off are in the Narthex.

October in the Food Pantry "Baby, it's Chili outside!"





"In Memory of" Memorial Service

There are often times when we are unable to attend the funeral or memorial service of a friend or family member. There are also times when there is not a public service at all. When we are unable to attend such a service, we may struggle to find a sense of closure, or allow ourselves to begin the healing process.

On **Sunday**, **Nov** 3rd **at** 5:00 p.m. we will have an "In Memory of" memorial service. During this service we will remember and celebrate those family and friends. We will have a special table for pictures if you would like to bring one for that service.

If you would like to have the memory of a loved one included during this service, please contact Fr. Kirk at Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org, <u>775-358-4474</u>.

Daughters of King Reading Program

For the months of October and November, The Daughters of the King are supporting a community reading program for elementary age children.

Spread the Word is a reading program that helps children in community programs, such as Sparks Rec Center, parks in Sparks area neighborhoods, after school programs, etc.

We are asking for gently used books for children in grades 1 thru 6. The program cleans up the books given to the them and distributes the books to children in our area through these community programs. These books are given to the children to keep. When they complete a reading diary of so many books, they will receive a prize. Last year Spread the Word gave over 30,000 books to children in Nevada. Won't you please support us in our book drive? Every

book donated is a book a child can treasure for their very own.

For more information, contact Connie Patterson at cp4675@att.net or 775-771-1264.

Anglican Prayer Beads Workshop

St. Paul's Gratitude Committee invites you to attend an Anglican Prayer Beads Workshop on **Sunday, Oct 27th from 12:30 - 2:00 pm.** Fr. Rick Millsap, Cathedral Canon at Trinity, will teach us about the symbolic meanings in the design of the Anglican rosary and also lead us in a variety of prayers. Bring an Anglican rosary if you have one. Rosaries will also be available for purchase for \$8.00 and there will be a few available for free for use during the workshop. A light lunch and refreshments will be served. **Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to attend.**

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 <u>each month</u> if we are to continue to pray for your special people. Thank you.

Diane, Pat, Larry, Anne, Nanette, Philip, Ernest, Ernesto, Preston, Jameson Walker, Ella, Paul, Ryan, Alyson, Frank, Barbara, Jill, Steve, Ruthie, Marge, Dillon, Madeline, Vickie. Matthew, Alex, Ken, Pattie, Susan, Sue, Ruth, Baby Bo, Hailey, Zac, Nolan, Al, Ted, Sharon, Stan, Jaemmie, Bonnie, Rae, Debby, Jeff, Mike, Bethany, Emerson, Zavie, Everett, Brianna, Alyssa, Don, Michael, Jerry, Kathy, Eileen, Lance, Ana, Jeanette, Bengt, Jim, Connie, Lyndsay, Randy, Leon, Pinkie, Joe, Mary, Natalie, Cheri's family, Brenda's family, Ron, Victoria, Debbie, Charlie, Morgan, Teresa, Ben, the Hammond family, Mary Lee, Sandy, Terry, Jan, Michelle, Garry, Dalton, Beth, Linda, Bliss, Peter, Susan's family, Dave, Peg, Alex, Victoria, Bob.

Military: Andrew, Ryan, Jeffrey, Sierra, Owen, Bria, Evanne, Alex, Suzanne, Mason, David, Paul, Roger, Shylo, Alberto, Tristan.

Youth Group: EYC

EYC is an Episcopal Youth Community where all youth (and



their friends) who are about to enter grades 7-12 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 have any questions, contact Tia or Jon Mittelstadt at 775-722-3329 or by email at 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:

October 6: Fall Break - No Meeting - Enjoy your break!

October 13: EZ Air

Meet after church in the youth room. We will carpool to EZ Air to play laser tag, climb and jump. Parents must sign a waiver for you to participate. They can do it online.

October 20: Growing with God

Meet in the youth room at 10:15 am. We will watch a video and discuss. Games and food also!

Sunday, October 27: Trunk or Treat from 6 to 7:30 PM

We will be running the games at the Trunk or Treat event at the church from 6 to 8 pm. Please meet at the church at 5:30 PM to help set up the games and get ready. Wear a costume!

Laundry Love

This once a month ministry helps people do their laundry so they can use their limited funds on medicine, rent, etc. Doing a load of laundry is expensive, so we



continually collect quarters (or other \$\$ that we can turn into quarters). Monetary donations can either be handed to Linda Devon or designate it in an envelope and put it in the offering plate.

If you have any questions or interest in helping with ministry, contact Linda Devon at LSD4764@hotmail.com.

Prayers and Squares Ministry

Prayers & Squares meets in the Parish Hall on the 4th Saturday of each month, where quilts are cut out, sewed, and prayer threads inserted. Knowing how to sew is not necessary as there are many other tasks involved in making the quilts. When the quilts are completed, they are placed in the new Quilt Cabinet in the Narthex. Anyone can view and select a quilt for someone in need.

To request a quilt, contact Margaret Bouzek at margaret.bouzek@gmail.com, Peg Bibby at ragladypeg@att.net, the Parish Office, or any member of Prayers & Squares.

Thank you for your support. Margaret Bouzek, Team Leader

Recovery Groups at St. Paul's

Mon, Tues, Fri: Spanish Ala-non @ 6:00 p.m.

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

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

Gam-anon Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Want Something in the Newsletter?

Email it to Office@StPaulsSparks.org and to Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org by the 25th each month.

Building Improvement Program Update

GOAL: Correct major physical deficiencies in the St. Paul's facility which endanger the continuation of its mission while working to do so while not seriously impacting the financial health of this parish.

The documentation of the specifications of the first building improvement project is underway. Jeff Devon and Dave Kennedy have met with the City of Sparks to collect what information is available. Dave will have the specifications for the relocation of the gas pipe that sits on the roof of the back section of our building finished before the end of the year. This will give us ample time to obtain necessary approvals to proceed when the gas can be turned off in the Spring of 2020.

The fund-raising team has been working hard to plan events this year to raise money. They are a great step in the right direction. To date we have raised over \$12,000. This is a good start but a long way from our \$300,000 goal. Please continue to help:

**Be sure to read Margaret Bouzek's article on all the fund-raising activities she has planned.

**Whenever we have an event COME and BRING at least ONE NON-CHURCH MEMBER.

One of the fund-raising activities that I am leading is a **Quilt Mastery Retreat** from November 4-7, 2019, at Camp Galilee. This will be 3 ½ days of fun including all food, lodging, a quilt class, and more. Learn new quilting techniques including trapunto, fabric manipulation, working with curves, applique, and an eight-pointed star. Participants are also welcome to come and work on their own UFOs (UnFinished Objects). The cost for the retreat is

only \$395 when you share a room. Leave or send your check and contact information to the church office to attend. Please mark it to Linda Kennedy's attention. For further information or any questions you may have, please call me at 775-722-1657.

If you aren't a quilter, pass this on to anyone you know who is. I told my cousin who lives in Michigan about it, and she and a friend are flying out to join us at the retreat and the Phantom performance. Who can you invite?

This month's special request:

Anyone comfortable using a computer and the Internet is needed to help research funding opportunities. If you can help contact me at linda.kennedy.nv@gmail.com.

Faithfully yours,

Linda Kennedy, Program Manager

By Your Gifts We Are Blessed

Fundraising for the roof and parking lot projects continue. Totals this month include:

\$ 516.07 - UFO Days

\$ 98.00 - Quilt Raffle tickets

\$ 875.00 - Phantom of the Opera tickets

\$ 110.00 - Classicplay concert

\$1,515.00 - Quilting retreat held at Camp Galilee

\$ 605.00 - Additional donations

Other donations for the month include \$20.00 for Prayers and Squares, \$90.00 for Laundry Love, \$25.00 for Northern Nevada Pride, \$640.00, \$3.18 for UTO, and \$1,440.00 for Empty Bowls. The Food Pantry also received donations of \$150.00 with \$100.00 designated for the mobile food pantry.

Patti Stine, Assistant Treasurer

Trunk or Treat: October 27th

Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 27th from 6 to 7:30 pm in the parking lot and the Parish Hall. You can participate in the fun by



decorating your trunk and passing out treats to the kids who attend. In addition, fun carnival type games will be set up in the Parish Hall. Bring your kids and grandkids for all the fun. Invite your friends and neighbors too!

All Saints' Day is November 3rd

This is a time when we remember our family and friends who have died.
The All Saints' book is on a stand at the back of the church on the north side.
Please print clearly the full names of those you wish to remember on that day.

You can also email the names to office@stpaulssparks.org and Robin will write them in there for you.

Thanksgiving Day Potluck

St. Paul's will be hosting their 12th 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. There will be more details in next month's newsletter. Save the date!



Coming Events



October 2019

Wednesday	Oct. 02, 2019	Mid-week Holy Eucharist Service	12:15 pm
Thursday	Oct. 03, 2019	Diocesan Convention (Harvey's at Stateline) thru Saturday	
Saturday	Oct. 05, 2019	D.O.K.	10:00 am
Sunday	Oct. 06, 2019	Outreach Meeting	12:30 pm
Sunday	Oct. 06, 2019	Rector's Bible Study	3:00 pm
Sunday	Oct. 06, 2019	Blessing of the Animals (5 o'clock service)	5:00 pm
Saturday	Oct. 12, 2019	A Day with Brian McLaren (Off site)	8:00 am
Sunday	Oct. 13, 2019	Prayer Team Meeting	12:15 pm
Sunday	Oct. 13, 2019	Rector's Book Study	3:00 pm
Monday	Oct. 14, 2019	AARP Smart Driver Course	12:00 pm
Monday	Oct. 14, 2019	Vestry Meeting	6:00 pm
Friday	Oct. 18, 2019	Concert, Chili & Cookie Cook-off	6:00 pm
Saturday	Oct. 19, 2019	D.O.K.	10:00 am
Sunday	Oct. 20, 2019	Rector's Bible Study	3:00 pm
Friday	Oct. 25, 2019	Epistle Deadline	12:00 pm
Saturday	Oct. 26, 2019	Prayers & Squares	9:00 am
Sunday	Oct. 27, 2019	Prayer Bead/Rosary Event	12:30 pm
Sunday	Oct. 27, 2019	Rector's Bible Study	3:00 pm
Sunday	Oct. 27, 2019	Trunk or Treat	6:00 pm
Thursday	Oct. 31, 2019	Laundry Love (Oddie Blvd. Laundromat)	6:00 pm

Recurring Events

Worship times, 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Mid-Week Holy Eucharist Wednesday at 12:15 p.m.

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

Rector's Sabbath is every Tuesday

Bible Study every Thursday @ 12:00 p.m. (Starts back up in September)

Choir Practice 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays 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 Spanish Alanon group meets, Mon. Tues. & Fri. 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

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

Last Thursday of the Month, Laundry Love Ministry – Laundromat on Oddie Blvd. 6:00 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. Unless otherwise noted

NEW***Food Pantry Mobile Unit, Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Fourth Wednesday of the month in the morning the SNAP program & Food Bank Truck are here

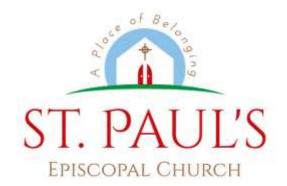
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Sun., 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Praise

Sun., 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Traditional

Sun., 5:00 p.m. Traditional Holy Eucharistic, No Music

Wed., 12:15 p.m. Mid-Week Holy Eucharist