

January

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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



I am on Vacation. I will be back in the office on January 20th.

Gratefully,

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Online Annual Parish Meeting January 31st 12:00 p.m.

This meeting will be on Zoom beginning at 12:00 p.m. on January 31st. Due to online voting, only those who registered for this meeting will be allowed to attend. Those eligible to register must be 16 years old and have their baptisms on record at St. Paul's. If you want to confirm your eligibility to attend the meeting, contact Kirk@StPaul'sSparks.org between January 20th and 29th. If you would like to register your baptism and become a voting member of St. Paul's, contact Robin in the parish office, 775-358-4474 Robin@StPaulsSparks.org. Registration instructions for the meeting will be emailed out when Fr. Kirk returns from vacation on January 20th.

Monthly Update: When Will We Open?

The Diocese still has the churches in Washoe County on lockdown. After they begin allowing in person worship, Fr. Kirk will evaluate the local situation and then go from there. Until then, wear your mask, continue to follow proper social distancing guidelines and get the vaccine when you are offered it.

Vestry Nominations

If you would like to run for Vestry member during our January 31st Annual Parish Meeting, please complete the following questions and email them to **Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org** by 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25th.

EXPECTATIONS for those running for Vestry.

Here are some expectations for those who serve on the Vestry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

- You should feel called to this position.
 Don't run for Vestry out of obligation, run for Vestry because you want to do so.
- You should regularly attend worship.
 Attending worship should be the norm.
 Life happens and everyone has to miss worship at times, but your presence is important to the life of the church.
- You should regularly attend parish events. Again, sometimes we have to miss, but attending events should be the norm.
- You should help support the parish financially by pledging to the parish budget. Pledging does not mean tithing. The amount of the financial pledge is not what is important. The important thing is to make a commitment to God by responding to the Grace God has given you.
- You need to be able to attend Vestry meetings. Vestry meetings are held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the 2nd
 Monday of every month. Currently these meetings are held online (Zoom). If you are unable to attend these meetings, please don't run for Vestry at this time.
- Most communication and some voting between Vestry meetings are done by Email. You need to be comfortable with using the computer and Email.
- You should possess the time to serve the parish. Serving on the Vestry takes more time than only one meeting a month. Vestry members will oversee

and offer support to different aspects of the parish and then offer reports on those areas during the monthly meetings.

 You should have a desire to deepen your relationship with God. We are all on a journey and no "one place" on this journey is better than any other place. The important part of everyone's journey is to possess a desire to strengthen your relationship with God.

*Vestry Nominees must be a minimum of 18 years old and a confirmed member of St. Paul's in good standing.

Name: _____

What does St. Paul's Episcopal Church mean to you?

Why do you want to serve on the Vestry of St. Paul's Church?

What is your favorite part of the Baptismal Covenant and why?

What do you perceive as your gifts for ministry?

2021 Pledge Campaign



Thank you to everyone who turned in a 2021 pledge card.

We will have a deficit budget this year. Attend the Annual Parish Meeting on January 31st to see how much of a deficit we end up with.

If you have questions about pledging, please contact Jon Mittelstadt, Stewardship Chair, at jon.mittel@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting God's work at St. Paul's!

Diocesan Convention Delegate

2021 Diocesan Convention will be early October 2021 in Ely, Nevada. If you would like to run for Convention Delegate during our January 31st Annual Parish Meeting, please complete the following questions and email them to Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org by 12:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25th.

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Are you a Confirmed member in the Episcopal Church and in good standing at St. Paul's?

Tell us about your participation in worship and ministries within the life of St. Paul's during 2020.

Are you willing to attend all local meetings pertaining to convention as well as any local meetings pertaining to the election of our next bishop?

Why do you feel called to represent St. Paul's at Convention?

Sunday Worship Information

10:00 a.m. Sundays on ZOOM8:00 p.m. Wednesdays on FacebookDetails can be found under the online worship

tab at www.StPaulsSparks.org.