



# October

## ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Rev. Kirk A. Woodliff, Rector

### Sunday Worship Information

10:00 a.m. In-person and on Zoom

Blended Holy Communion Service

*Masks are optional.*

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



This past spring I surveyed the congregation asking a series of questions about worship. From that survey, 56 wanted to return to three Sunday services, and 38 wanted to remain worshipping at one blended

10:00 service.

On Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, I began asking those who attended worship, "If we returned to our pre-pandemic worship times/styles, which service would they attend.

I'm also asking about people's preference in receiving the wine. Are we ready to start sipping again, or are we to remain dippers? I will ask the same questions on October 2<sup>nd</sup> to those who were not here on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

If you were NOT present on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> and won't be there on Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, you can email me your answers to the following worship questions. Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org

### Worship Questions

#### **#1 I prefer to receive Communion wine by:**

A) Sipping from a chalice that is designated for sipping only.

B) Dipping the wafer into a chalice that is designated for dipping only. (Intinction)

C) Sipping from a chalice that is used by other sippers as well as those who dip. (Like we did pre-covid)

D) Dipping the wafer into a chalice that is used by both dippers and sippers. (Like we did pre-covid)

E) Neither. I consume bread only.

#### **#2 If we returned to two morning services, my primary service would be:**

A) 9:00 Praise Service with Sunday School: Bookless with everything projected on the screens and music from the praise band.

B) 11:00 Traditional Rite II from the Book of Common Prayer, with the music from the piano and organ and hymns from the hymnal and a choir.

C) I would go to the (circle one: 9:00 11:00) but I would prefer the Sunday evening 5:00 p.m. service without music.

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Thank you for helping us keep a finger on the pulse of our worship preferences as we do the best we can to honor and worship God, while meeting the needs of our community.

### Senior Warden's Report

Happy Fall!

Finally some cooler weather for us to enjoy.

This coming Friday and Saturday the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada will be meeting at Lake Tahoe. Several of us will be attending and will share news with you later in the month.

I encourage you to complete the surveys regarding communion that Fr. Kirk has been sending out. It helps the Worship Team make decisions about our worship.

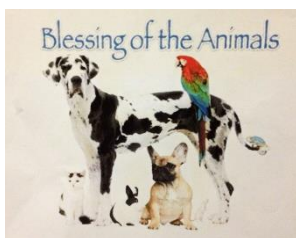
We are seeking people who would like to run for open positions on the vestry. We will elect 2 new members at our Annual Meeting in January. Please pray about this and let Fr. Kirk or me know if you are interested.

I thought you might be interested in the definition of church warden:

Their principal duties are to take care of the church or building, the utensils and furniture, the church-yard, matters of good order concerning the church and church-yard, the endowments of the church.

Margaret Bouzek  
Senior Warden

## Pet Blessing: 10:00 a.m. Oct. 1st



If you would like your beloved pet blessed this year, our annual pet blessing will be held on Saturday morning, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00. This is not a drive thru this

year. Please gather in the memorial garden!

## EYC (Youth Group) October 2nd

Sunday, October 2

at 11:00 am: Service



Project, Lunch, Games & Brainstorming

Meet after church in the youth room. We will do a service project of picking up trash around the church grounds, eat lunch, play some games and discuss ideas of things you would like to do for future EYC meetings.

If you have any questions, please call me at 775-722-3329 or email me.

Thanks,  
Tia

## Friday Bible Study October 14th

Come and join Fr. Kirk on Friday mornings from **11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Bring your Bible if you have one, but if not, you can borrow one at the church. An RSVP to [kirk@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:kirk@StPaulsSparks.org) is helpful, but not necessary.

## Food Pantry Volunteers Needed

The pantry needs help! Are you able?

Tuesday 9:00 to 11:00

Bringing in food from the delivery truck and stocking the shelves.

Wednesday 9:00 to 12:00

Helping distribute food.

If you would like more information, or if you would like to volunteer, email [TCFPVolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:TCFPVolunteers@gmail.com)

## Funeral for Kirk Gardner

Kirk Gardner's funeral will be held at Trinity Cathedral, Reno, on Saturday, **October 22 at 2:00 p.m.** Please continue to keep Pat and the family in your prayers.

## Trunk or Treat Volunteers Needed

We **hope** to offer Trunk or Treat to the neighborhood kiddos, as well as those kids from St. Paul's, from **6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.**

To make this successful, we need enough trunks and tailgates!!! Please email [Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org) and let us know if we have enough volunteers who are willing to serve candy from their trunks and maybe even dress up and decorate a little.

If we have enough volunteers this will be an outdoor event only...no indoor games this year. Watch the weekly email announcements to see if we are having Trunk or Treat.

## Columbarium Prices Going Up November 1<sup>st</sup>

The price of a columbarium niche at St. Paul's will remain \$1,200 through October 31<sup>st</sup>. The new price of \$1,500 begins in November. If you have been thinking about getting one for you or a loved one, now is the time to do it. We do offer payment plans for those who need it.

Contact the office for more information or click on the "Garden and Columbaria" button on our website [StPaulsSparks.org](http://StPaulsSparks.org).

## United Thank Offering: Nov 6th

The United Thank Offering Ingathering for 2018-2020 was held during the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church in Baltimore, Maryland - delayed a year due to COVID 19 - The offering totaled \$4,150,926.77. Province VIII of which the Nevada Diocese is a member collected \$258,674.09. These funds were fully awarded as grants to support evangelism, COVID 19 relief, and creation care initiatives.

St. Paul's UTO Ingathering for 2022 will be on **Sunday, November 6th.** During the Offering, the UTO Boxes and Envelopes will be collected and presented. Boxes are still available in the church narthex. If you would prefer to write a check to represent the funds collected in your box, envelopes are also available in the narthex. If you have questions, please contact Kathie Dixon 775-747-4485.

## Ushers Needed

Ladies and gentlemen, as we approach the new church year, we are finding the continual need for the ministries that serve during worship and that includes ushers. The usher duties aren't complicated or demanding, and the more volunteers we have the fewer times you are called to serve. If you are already in a ministry that serves during worship (choir, praise team, lectors, eucharistic ministers, etc.) adding usher to your list could complicate your life. If not, you can help and still participate in the service from the cheap seats. Please give some thought to joining the crew. Let us know at [office@stpaulssparks.org](mailto:office@stpaulssparks.org) or contact Dick Stufflebeam.

## All Saints' Day: November 6th

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](mailto:office@stpaulssparks.org) and Robin will write them in there for you.

## "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 **Wednesday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 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 Robin at [Robin@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Robin@StPaulsSparks.org), [775-358-4474](tel:775-358-4474).

## Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde

### Silent Film Screening: Nov 4th

Watch the 1920 classic Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, starring John Barrymore, accompanied by world renowned organist Dorothy Papadakos improvising the score on the spot!

This special screening will be held on Friday, **November 4th** at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 200 Island Avenue, Reno, NV 89501. Tickets for the Film Screening can be purchased in the parish office or online at <https://bit.ly/3QPFuAe>, or look under the "News" tab at [StPaulsSparks.org](http://StPaulsSparks.org). All proceeds from this event will be used to help pay for a new parking lot at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sparks.

## Wine and Dessert Meet and Greet

There will also be a special wine and dessert meet and greet with organist Dorothy Papadakos being held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, **November 3rd**, here at St. Paul's. Tickets for this event can be purchased in the parish office or online at <https://bit.ly/3QPFuAe>, or look under the "News" tab at [StPaulsSparks.org](http://StPaulsSparks.org). All proceeds from this event will be used to help pay for a new parking lot at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sparks.

We offer up a BIG thank You to Dorothy Papadakos for offering her time as well as to Trinity Cathedral for hosting.

## St. Paul's Prayer Team

Please call or email a prayer request to Robin at church or Rita at [honda07rita@gmail.com](mailto:honda07rita@gmail.com) or 775-971-4775.

Prayer requests for your special people will be on for about 2 months, unless you need a longer date. Your special people will be lifted to our Lord each day. Thank you for the privilege of praying for you and your special people.

## Advent Study

### The Angels of Christmas: Hearing God's Voice in Advent

12:00 to 1:00 Sundays: November 27, December 4, 11, 18

Books can be purchased from Cokebury.com or a variety of online book dealers. Sign-up in the Narthex, or email [Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Kirk@StPaulsSparks.org). *The Angels of Christmas: Hearing God's Voice in Advent*, a four-week Advent study by Susan Robb, explores the four angelic visits surrounding the birth of Jesus with Zechariah, Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds. In this study, the reader will explore the visits and dive deep into the history of the angel Gabriel—and other angels—in the Old Testament. The Angels of Christmas uses these four angelic appearances to discuss God's presence in history and our lives today. The messages of the angels hold meaning for listeners both then and now.

## 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](mailto:LSD4764@hotmail.com).



## Altar Guild

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the Altar Guild Team. If you are interested, please contact either Sue Schultz at 775-626-5814 or the church office at 775-358-4474. Training is provided.

## Prayers and Squares Ministry

Prayers and Squares meets on **the last Sunday of the month in the parish hall beginning after coffee hour**. Come help us assemble quilts. We need your help. No sewing skills required. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please join us. Contact Linda Kennedy or Margaret Bouzek if you have any questions.

Thank you, Prayers and Squares Team.

## Recovery Groups at St. Paul's

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

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

## Calendar at a Glance

**Oct 1, 10AM** Pet Blessing: Memorial Garden

**Oct 14, 11AM**, Friday Bible Study begins

**Oct 22, 2PM**, Funeral for Kirk Gardner@Trinity

**Oct 30, 6PM** **Maybe Trunk or Treat**

**Nov 1**, Columbarium Prices Go Up

**Nov 2, 6PM**, "In Memory of" Memorial Service

**Nov 3, 7PM**, Wine & Dessert Meet & Greet

with organist Dorothy Papadakos at St. Paul's

**Nov 4, 7PM**, Silent Film Screening of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde featuring organist Dorothy Papadakos. Held at Trinity Cathedral, Reno.

**Nov 6**, Day Light Saving ends (Fall back)

**Nov 6**, All Saints' Day

**Nov 6**, UTO Box Ingathering Sunday

**Nov 27**, Advent Study Begins

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HOW LONG DO YOU SUPPOSE HE WILL KEEP KNOCKING?

# **Saint Paul's Columbarium**

**Current Pricing: \$1,200 per niche**

**Price Increase: November 1st, 2022, \$1,500 per niche**

**F**rom the earliest times of Christian history, churches have offered the custody of holy burial within the confines of the church grounds.

**I**n modern times, cremation has allowed this ancient tradition to continue within the limitations of more compact urban church facilities.

**C**remation, a long accepted practice in the Episcopal Church, is dignified, theologically and ecologically sound, and economically sensible.

**W**ith the increased acceptance of the simplicity and dignity of cremation, St. Paul's columbarium provides the only sacred burial option within the city of Sparks.

**S**t. Paul's is blessed with the privilege of being able to offer columbarium niches in two styles, "freestanding" with polished black granite faceplates, or "along the wall" with bronze face plates.

**S**t. Paul's Columbarium is located in The Garden, a multi-purpose outdoor space that includes a unique water feature, a gazebo, and a traditional English style Lych gate. All of this blends together in such a way that provides a serene setting for events that include worship services, individual quiet meditation, weddings, and musical concerts.

**S**t. Paul's Memorial Garden is located within the wrought iron fence at the southeast corner of the Church. The gates are open 24/7, so feel free to visit any time to see for yourself the peace the garden offers.

## **Memorial Plaque**

**S**t. Paul's also offers a wall for the names of lives not known, for those lives lost before they were born. There is no cost for this special memorial.

**F**or current columbarium pricing or for an information packet please contact the church office at: (775) 358-4474 or [Office@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Office@StPaulsSparks.org)

**A**dditional information may also be seen on our website at [www.stpaulssparks.org](http://www.stpaulssparks.org) including frequently asked questions.

