



November

**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...



November 27th is the first Sunday of the new church year. It is also the first Sunday of Advent, a season in which we prepare ourselves for the arrival of Christ into the world.

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 22:37-39)

How will you prepare yourself for the arrival of Christ? How will you prepare yourself to live such a way of life?

Kirk

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. All proceeds from this event will be used to help pay for a new parking lot at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Sparks.

All Saints' Day: November 6th

Thank you to everyone who submitted names to remember on All Saints' Day. Please join us on Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

United Thank Offering: Nov 6th

St. Paul's United Thank Offering Ingathering will be on Sunday Nov 6th. At the service the UTO Boxes and Envelopes will be collected with the Offering to be presented. If you would prefer to write a check to represent the coins collected,

envelopes are in the Narthex for that purpose. You can make the checks out to St. Paul's with a notation for UTO. United Thank Offerings grants for 2022-2023 will be awarded for areas of ministries that serve those who society has left behind. The UTO grant focus will be on innovative mission and ministry projects addressing all aspects of the worldwide incarceration crisis. If you have any questions, please call Kathie Dixon 775-747-4485.

Senior Warden's Report

Happy November to everyone!

I am enjoying the cooler weather we are having. I hope you are too.

We are still accepting nominations for Vestry and delegates to Diocesan Convention. Please see Fr. Kirk if you are interested or would like more information.

Christmas will soon be here and we are having a craft fair on December 4th after the church service where you might find just the right gift!

Now for an update on my health. I will be having a parathyroid gland removed on November 9th. I will be out of commission for a week because I am not allowed to drive for that time. It is not a cancerous growth just misbehaving! Thanking you in advance for your prayers.

Margaret Bouzek
Senior Warden

St. Paul's Prayer Team

Please call or email a prayer request to Robin at church or Rita at 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.

Wine and Grape Juice

We now offer both wine and grape juice during Communion. Both chalices continue to be intinction only. Ask Fr. Kirk for more details.

Advent Study

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

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

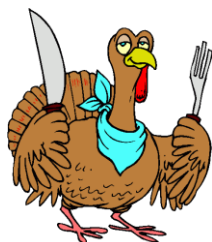
Books can be purchased from Cokebury.com or a variety of online book dealers. Make sure you are not buying the Leader's Guide, as they look very similar.

Sign-up in the Narthex, or email 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.

Thanksgiving Day Pot-luck

St. Paul's will be hosting their 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 will be 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.

If you want to help with setting up tables, etc., please contact John Hannah, or feel free to reach out to him with any questions you might have. jhannah.church@mymail775.net or 775-527-9444.

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.



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 will not be meeting in November or December. We hope you will join us at our next meeting, the last Sunday in January. Contact Linda Kennedy or Margaret Bouzek if you have any questions.

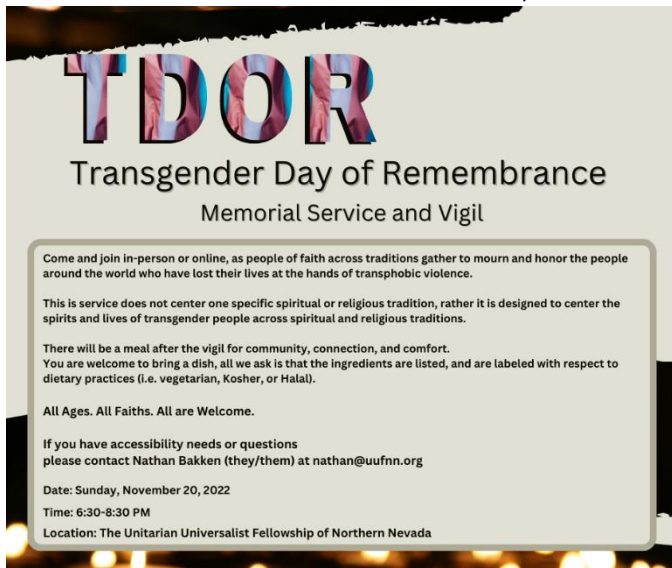
Craft Fair: December 4th

On December 4th following the Sunday Service, we will have a craft sale in the parish hall. All proceeds will benefit the parking lot fund. If you would like to donate any items for the sale, please see Linda Devon or Margaret Bouzek. The Community Food Pantry will have bowls available for sale as well. The proceeds from their sale will go to the Food Pantry.

Transgender Day of Remembrance Ecumenical Service and Potluck

Sunday, November 20th 6:30-8:30

Hosted by Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Northern Nevada: 780 Del Monte Ln, Reno



Calendar at a Glance

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
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 20, Transgender Day of Remembrance
Nov 24, 1PM Parish Thanksgiving Pot-luck
Nov 27, 12PM Advent Study Begins
Dec 4, Craft Fair
Dec 4, Stewardship Pledge Ingathering

Answers for Last Month's Worship Question

#1 I prefer to receive Communion wine by:

- A) Sipping from a chalice that is designated for sipping only. **5 People**
- B) Dipping the wafer into a chalice that is designated for dipping only. **43 People**
- C) Sipping from a chalice that is used by other sippers as well as those who dip. (Like we did pre-covid) **9 People**
- D) Dipping the wafer into a chalice that is used by both dippers and sippers. (Like we did pre-covid) **12 People**
- E) Neither. I consume bread only. **6 People**

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

- A) 9:00 Praise Service. **55 People**
- B) 11:00 Traditional Rite II. **14 People**
- C) I prefer the 5:00 p.m. service. **7 People**

Thank you for helping us keep a finger on the pulse of our worship preferences. We will continue to offer our 10:00 Blended service at this time.

Recovery Groups at St. Paul's

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

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