



**Sunday, May 3rd, 2026**  
**The Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina  
Parish Mission: "Growing in Christ, Serving God's People"  
Diocesan Vision: "Making, Equipping, Sending Mature Disciples of Christ"

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Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, Jane Kilpatrick  
Interim Organist Steven Aycock  
Parish Secretary, Brenda Vale

*This Week's Schedule*

Saturday 10 AM – Noon	Parish Clean Up Day
Sunday at 8:00 AM	Rite I Holy Eucharist
Sunday at 9:15 AM	Monthly Parish Breakfast
Sunday at 10:30 AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist
Tuesday at 11:00 AM	Book Study
Thursday	Office Open
Friday	Office Open

**St. Paul's Prayer List**

*May God the Father bless you; May God the Son heal you; May God the Holy Spirit give you strength.  
May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to His  
heavenly country, where He lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.*

Those in need of prayer:

Shelly Artello, Sally Beyer, Henry Carter, Dan Centea, Marianne Clark, Russell Hawes, May Hennessy, Robert Krychiw, Libby Justice, Mary Ann Saint, Michele Erickson, Rachel Joiner, Ron Covington, Keira Esposito, Rita, Jan Arnold, Linda Anderson, Craig, Douglas Devanney, Kevin Meyer, Heather Hovde, Don Peeler, Joe Monza, the King family, Rick Smith, Blaine Walker, Pat Malchak, Zoe Lloyd, Paul Kanute, Bobby Billings, and Charles Lieske Jr.

Please pray for those who have died

If you need to be added or have someone that we need to pray for, please email the church office at [stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com) or call 803.547.5968 and leave a message. Unless requested, each name will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks.

## **Reminder: Please wear your name badges especially during this transition time with our Interim Rector and Interim Organist.**

Check the coat hooks in the Narthex for your completed name tag. Name tags are in alphabetical order by last name. You may need to check a couple of hooks to find your new tag.

Please let Brenda know via email [@stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com](mailto:@stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com) or phone 803-547-5968 if you need a new name tag.

**In the event of a pastoral emergency,  
contact  
The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr.**

### *Important Announcements*

**Our Rite II service at 10:30 is now available live on our Facebook page!**

**The next few weeks we will be transitioning to our new Newsletter. For the next several weeks, you should be receiving Einfo along with the new streamlined Newsletter.**

If you are already subscribed please add the following to your contacts to avoid it going to the spam folder:  
[Communications@stpaulsftmill.org](mailto:Communications@stpaulsftmill.org)

If you are not yet subscribed but would like to be, please message us directly.

Once the new newsletter is active, we will have a direct subscription link on our website. Thank you!

### *This Week*

**Parish Clean Up day - Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 10AM - Noon-** Due to the weather forecast for rain tomorrow, Clean up Day will be indoor cleaning only. We invite everyone to lend a hand as we prepare our campus for the season of growth. Tasks will include light repairs, general tidying and dust bunny elimination. For more details, please reach out to Dee Hodnett; your time and care are a tangible blessing to our community.



**May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Between the services (approx. 9:15 AM)** we will enjoy the Monthly Parish Breakfast.

## *Upcoming Events*



**Food truck/Ascension Sunday - May 17<sup>th</sup>.** There will be one service from 10 - 11 AM, then a BBQ, taco and gourmet pops food truck from 11 - 12:30. Grab lunch and eat in Close Hall. More information will be available later.

**June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bethel Men's Shelter Dinner.** Please use the QR code or link below to go to Sign Up Genius to sign up to bring food or volunteer.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D49ABAB23A2FB6-63773144-bethel>



## *Bible and Book Studies*

**The Weekly Bible Study with The Reverend Ed** – There will not be a Bible Study on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, so that everyone can join the Monthly Parish Breakfast. On Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, we will discuss John 17:1-11, High Priestly prayer.

**Tuesday Book Study *Jesus Changes Everything*, by Stanley Hauerwas** on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM, we will finish discussing Part III (Chapters 12-13) of *Jesus Changes Everything*. If time allows, we will begin discussing Part IV. Everyone is welcome; come join us if you can!

The Tuesday Study Group is a wonderful place to explore and grow your faith in fellowship with other thoughtful, compassionate, and encouraging adults. Please join us if you are able!

## *Christian Education*

In addition to volunteers, those welcoming and leading our children and youth are:

**Nursery:** Aiyana (Miss Flowers) Flowers, Nursery Coordinator (2016), has a Masters in Literacy from Winthrop University and is a third-grade teacher.

**Kids' Corner and Youth Groups:** Jane (Ms. Jane) Kilpatrick (2015), Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, has a Masters in Christian Education and has served in Episcopal churches for over 20 years.

**Youth Groups:** Phoebe Arthur Connor (Middle School), Stephanie and Chris Krafft (High School) are experienced in teaching children and youth. There are five boys between the two families.

**Kids' Corner (K-4),** Sunday mornings beginning at 10:15 – we explore the lessons through stories, scripture, discussion and a variety of crafts, experiments, puzzles, and art. On Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> we will discuss the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle.

**Nursery and Kid's Corner begins at 10:15 AM,** both located in Homan Hall.

## **EDUSC SUMMER MISSION TRIP**

### **GRADES 7 - 12**

Our 2026 diocesan summer mission trip will take place June 21-26 in Laurel Springs, NC at the Laurel Springs Camp & Conference Center. We will be participating in a variety of projects to help those in the local community. The cost is \$500 and will include lodging, all meals, and supplies for our projects throughout the week.

To register go to: <https://www.vancoevents.com/us/DOZL>  
Payment will be collected at a later date. Scholarship funds are available.

God is Always with You and God Always Loves You.  
Be in Touch! Jane Kilpatrick, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries

### *Fellowship Opportunity*



**It is once again time to sign up for our St. Paul's Dinner Groups.** These groups provide us with a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with other members of our parish — to meet new people or to get to know each other better and to enjoy some wonderful meals.

There are two different types of groups:

The “In-home” groups are usually made up of about eight people. The main dish for the meal is provided by the host/hostess with the others providing the appetizer, vegetables,

salad, or dessert. Soft drinks are provided by the host and each person /couple should bring wine or other drinks if they would like them.

The “Restaurant” groups get together in different restaurants with members taking turns selecting the restaurant choosing the date, and making the reservation.

If you are interested in participating in either or both of these groups, please sign up in the sheet on the bulletin board downstairs or contact Mary Luzzi.

## *Serving Our Parish*

**Our 8 am service is in need of additional readers and Eucharistic ministers.** It is wonderful to have so many regular parishioners attending our 8 am service. We'd like to encourage more participation in the church service and also give others an opportunity to grow in their worship experience by reading a morning bible passage as we share God's word with others at 8 am. We only have 3 Lay Ministers to assist Father Ed at our 8 AM worship. We need a fourth person to help with the month's schedule. It can be a challenge if all 3 Eucharistic ministers are away at the same time. A fifth person to act as substitute would be ideal. Please give this prayerful consideration as we can continue our worship at the 8 am service. Reach out to Father Ed, or any of the Eucharistic Ministers with any questions. Training is provided.

**Many of our Google reviews are aged. We encourage members to leave a review based on their experience at St. Paul's.**

### **Instructions**

#### **On a Desktop/Browser**

1. Go to Google Maps: or Google Search and search for the business.
2. Click on the business's profile: on the right side of the search results.
3. Find the Reviews section, click the stars, then click "Write a review".
4. Rate and write your review, add photos if desired, and click "Post".

#### **On a Mobile Device (App)**

1. Open [Google Maps](#): and search for the business.
2. Tap the business name, then scroll down to the "Reviews" section.
3. Tap the stars: to select your rating (1-5).
4. Write your review: and add photos if you like, then tap "Post".



## *Serving Our Neighbors* 2025



**Fort Mill Care Center – Current needs** include canned pasta, baked beans, scalloped and au gratin potatoes, frosting, mayonnaise, salt and pepper, laundry detergent, Perishable items needed are fresh or frozen hams, cheese, eggs, frozen chicken breasts or thighs. At the current time, they do not need peanut butter, green beans, corn or macaroni and cheese. They also have posted an Amazon wish list on their website [fortmillcarecenter.org](http://fortmillcarecenter.org) **Please drop off non-perishable items in the grocery cart outside by the main door. Please do not leave Perishable items in the grocery cart.**

### **If you're able to make financial donations, please consider:**

Please do remember that cash donations are always welcome at the organizations we help to serve:

<https://bethelshelters.org/services>

<https://www.fortmillcarecenter.org/monetary-donations/>

[www.FoodForThePoor.org](http://www.FoodForThePoor.org) [www.SAMS-USA.org](http://www.SAMS-USA.org) (the Vivanco Family)

The Historic Paradise Foundation, 105 Lestina Court, Fort Mill, SC, United States, 29715

[www.educationequalshope.org](http://www.educationequalshope.org)

<https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate>

## *Notes from the Office*

**Forward Day by Day Daily Devotions for Disciples edition for May, June and July 2026 is now available.** Copies can be picked up in the Narthex or on the table in hallway by the offices.

**In an effort to eliminate scam texts, etc, from now on, the office will use only your email address that is currently on record. If you need to update your email information, there is a form on the Church Secretary's office door to notify the office of the change.**



**Please continue to be alert and cautious if you receive any suspicious emails or texts. Do not respond to them. If any doubt, please contact the Church Office. Remember, Father Ed will not ask for money or gift cards!**

**Please observe the speed limit in the entire neighborhood but especially on Pine Street and Springs St. We want to be good neighbors in this community. The neighbors help keep watch over the church, and we want to respect the neighborhood.**



## *May Birthdays*

4 <sup>th</sup>	Randy Rodrique	19 <sup>th</sup>	Anthony Mace
10 <sup>th</sup>	Gay Warren	19 <sup>th</sup>	Weston Yatko
15 <sup>th</sup>	Stephen Moody	20 <sup>th</sup>	Sam Smith
16 <sup>th</sup>	Chris Kanute	20 <sup>th</sup>	Lynda Stewart
16 <sup>th</sup>	Christianna Harvey	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jane Medlin Smith
17 <sup>th</sup>	Libby Justice	25 <sup>th</sup>	Laura Daly
17 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy Penk	28 <sup>th</sup>	Marilyn Nastiuk
19 <sup>th</sup>	Jonathan Barschow		

## *May Anniversary*

31 <sup>st</sup>	Mark & Clare Hawes
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### **Altar Flower Sign up.**

The 2026 flower chart is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. You may sign up to donate the altar flowers and your dedication will be in the Sunday bulletin (**please email the church office with the dedication so that Brenda may add it in the bulletin before Wednesday**). Flowers are \$50 and checks can be made out to St. Paul's with "altar flowers" in the memo line.

The flowers this month are given to the glory of God and  
**May 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nance Griffin in Congratulations to Dr. Allyssa Lewis, DVM from UGA Vet School.**

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Available

May 17<sup>th</sup> - Available

May 24<sup>th</sup> - Available

May 31st - Available

## 2026 Vestry members

**Senior Warden:** Chris Masoomian

**Jr. Warden:** Dee Hodnett

**Clerk:** Amanda Riker

David Dudley

Stephen Lovejoy

Carolyn Line

Ben Madej

Chris Lombard

**Treasurer:** Dennis Edwards

**Finance Committee:** Kent Weymouth

**Contributions Secretary:** John Connor



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Parish Clean Up Day
3 Monthly Parish Breakfast	4	5 Book Study 11AM	6	7 Father Ed is in the office	8 Father Ed is in the office	9
10	11	12 Book Study 11AM	13	14 Father Ed is in the office	15 Father Ed is in the office	16
17 One Service at 10 AM Food Truck Sunday 11AM-12:30 PM	18	19 Book Study 11AM	20	21 Father Ed is in the office	22 Father Ed is in the office	23
24	25	26 Book Study 11AM	27 Brenda is in the office	28 Father Ed is in the office	29 Father Ed is in the office  Brenda Off	30
31 Graduation Sunday						

	Date	5/3/2026	5/10/2026	5/17/2026	5/24/2026	05/31/2026
	<b>VOD</b>	David Dudley	Amanda Riker Dee Hodnett	Ben Madej	Lombard/Lovejoy	Carolyn Line
	<b>Counter 1</b>	Niall Paule	Donna Dudley	Diane Lawton	Barbara Bartell	Marry Luzzi
	<b>Counter 2</b>	Dee Hodnett	Libby Chambers	Niall Paule	Marry Luzzi	Dee Hodnett
	<b>Flower Guild</b>	Barbara Bartell	Mary Luzzi	Sally Weymouth	Libby Chambers	Kelly Lovejoy
<b>8 am service</b>	<b>Altar Guild</b>	Clare Hawes	Leah Abraham		Betty Allegretti	Carolyn Line
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Leah Abraham	Leah Abraham		Betty Allegretti	Carolyn Line
	<b>Lector 1</b>	Sally Weymouth	Clare Hawes		Clare Hawes	Sally Weymouth
	<b>Lector 2</b>	Clare Hawes	Sally Weymouth		Sally Weymouth	Chris Lombard
	<b>Usher</b>	Kent Weymouth	Holly Russell		Holly Russell	Kent Weymouth
<b>10:30 am service</b>	<b>Altar Guild</b>	Donna Dudley	Pam Centea	Mary Luzzi	Janice Hage	Donna Dudley
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	David Dudley	Pam Centea	Mary Luzzi	Janet Jendron	Dan Bartell
	<b>Lector 1</b>	Janet Jendron	Steve Lovejoy	Sally Weymouth	Janice Hage	Dan Bartell
	<b>Lector 2</b>	Laura Verastegui	Diane Lawton	Sam Kraft	Amanda Rikers	Laura Verastegui
	<b>Usher</b>	Dee Hodnett	Laura & Sean Daly	Chris Lombard	Dee Hodnett	Barbara Bartell
	<b>Acolyte 1</b>	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Brandon Polan
	<b>Acolyte 2</b>	Elliot Kraft	Brandon Polan	Sam Kraft	Brandon Polan	Vanessa Polan
	<b>Acolyte 3</b>	Vanessa Polan	Vanessa Polan	Elaina Hodnett	Vanessa Polan	Cassie Polan
				<b>10M SERVICE ONLY</b>		