



Sunday, April 20, 2025
The Sunday of the Resurrection
Easter Sunday

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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9AM- 1PM

Interim Rector
The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr.
Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries,
Jane Kilpatrick
Interim Organist Steven Aycock
Parish Secretary, Brenda Vale

Inquirer's Class – If you would like to be confirmed, received from another denomination or reaffirm your commitment to Christ, please plan to attend the Inquirer's Classes. Classes will be held on **Saturday, April 19th** and **Saturday, May 17th** from 10 AM to 2 PM. There are classes for Youth and Adult. Please see Father Ed (Adults) or Ms. Jane (Youth) for further information.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Friday at Noon
Friday at 5:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Saturday at 2:00 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday following 10:30 service

Solemn Prayer
Stations of the Cross – Service will be held in Close Hall
Youth and Adult Inquirer's Class
Youth will stuff and hide Easter Eggs
Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Easter Egg Hunt for the children – begins in the Fellowship Hall,

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.

In the event of a pastoral emergency,
contact
The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr. @ 757-650-0982

Those in need of prayer:

Shelly Artello, Sally Beyer, Henry Carter, Dan Centea, Karen Centofanti, Marianne Clark, Russell Hawes, May Hennessy, Robert Krychiw, Libby Justice, Cindy Lister, Shannon Ranucci, Marie Treadwell, Weston Yatko, Lizann Rex, Michele Erickson, Rachel Joiner, Ron Covington, Rita, Jan Arnold, Noah Fike, Linda Anderson, Keira Esposito, Mary Ann Saint, Charlie, Craig, Douglas Devanney, Philip Arthur, Bill Borellis, Nick Hodnett, Kevin Meyer, Clare Hawes, and Maggie Beam.

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 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 new Interim Rector and Interim Organist.

Please let Brenda know via email @stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com or phone 803-547-5968 if you need a name tag.

Easter Schedule

Good Friday, April 18th - Solemn Prayer at Noon
Stations of the Cross at 5:00 PM - Service will be held in Close Hall

Easter Sunday, April 20th - The Sunday of the Resurrection Services at
Rite I at 8:00 AM
Rite II at 10:30 AM

Saturday, April 19th 10 AM – 2 PM – Adult and Youth Inquirer’s class.
Youth will stuff and hide Easter Eggs following class at 2 PM.

Easter Egg Hunt for the children will be held following the 10:30 AM service on Easter Sunday. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Easter Memorial Flower envelopes are in the Narthex. Please have your dedication into the church office by Wednesday, April 16th at Noon so that your dedication may be included in the bulletin.



Upcoming Events

On Sunday, June 1st our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Daniel Richards will be visiting our Parish. More information will be provided as the date approaches.

Saturday April 19th from 10AM-2PM. Inquirer's Classes Adults and Confirmation Class for Youth.

Saturday, May 17th from 10AM-2PM. Inquirer's Classes Adults and Confirmation Class for Youth.

Bible Study

The Weekly Bible Study with The Reverend Ed: This Sunday April 20th, we will discuss John 20:19-31, doubting Thomas. Next Sunday, April 27th, we will discuss John 21:1-19, The Restoration of Peter.

Book Study will meet on April 22nd at 11AM in Kid's Corner. We will discuss "Holy Week" and finish our study of the book "Wondrous Encounters" by Richard Rohr.

We will take a break on Tuesday, April 29. Then we will meet all four Tuesdays in May - 6, 13, 20, 27 - before breaking for the Summer. We will return Tuesday, September 9.

Our book for May will be "**Prayer in the Night: For Those Who Work or Watch or Weep**" by **Trish Harrison Warren**. The author is an Anglican priest. She grew up in Southern Baptist churches and is a graduate of Wake Forest and Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. She is an Opinion writer for The New York Times and her book "Prayer in the Night" won Christian Book of the Year in 2022.

You can read the first portion of the book through Google Books. The hard cover of this book is currently less than the paperback at \$12.64 - not sure how long this special price will be available. Please let Jane know ASAP if you would like her to order a book and have it sent to you.

Christian Education

Christian Education at St. Paul's: We believe in making "God is Everywhere" real for our young people and helping them see the many ways Christians share the Fruit of the Spirit through Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. These concepts are presented through interaction with nature, science experiments, stories from picture books, and the inclusion of the scriptures for each Sunday.

On Sunday mornings, Jane (Ms. Jane) Kilpatrick and Aiyana (Miss Flowers) Flowers greet families. Ms. Jane, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, has been with St. Paul's since 2015. She has a Masters in Christian Education and has served in Episcopal churches for over 20 years. Miss Flowers, Nursery Coordinator, has been with St. Paul's since 2016. She has a Masters in Literacy from Winthrop University and is a third-grade teacher. Each week, nurturing and vibrant volunteers join us in cultivating relationships with the children.

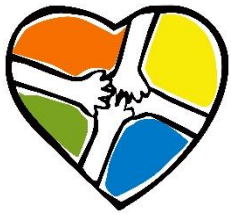
Nursery (Birth – Age 4) and Kids' Corner (K-4th) Meet at 10:15

God is Always with You and God Always Loves You... No Matter What!
Be in Touch! Jane Kilpatrick, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries
stpalseducator@gmail.com 704-968-2902

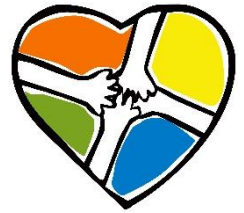


Daily
Devotions

The Daily Devotional Guide, “Forward Day by Day” for May, June and July is available in the Narthex and the table in the hallway near the office. Please stop by and pick up a copy.



Serving Our Neighbors
2025



Support Defend the Fatherless/National Foster Care Month

Greetings parishioners!

May is National Foster Care Month. The Missions & Outreach Committee is partnering with our parishioner Janice Hage to collect **new** clothing for foster children for the ‘clothing closet’ at Defend the Fatherless, a 501(c)(3) charity based in York County, SC. While they are located in York County, they serve families in Lancaster, Chester and even some come from Columbia! Some children arrive at their new foster homes with very little, some with nothing. Their new foster families can shop the York County Foster Closet **at no cost to them** for much needed items for the child. Children 24 months on up to youth size 16 (boys/girls) and teens (adult mens/ladies) sizes are needed; ladies junior sizes would also be welcome.

The specific items and sizes we are requesting are shown below:

New pajamas, spring, summer and fall styles

24 months, 2T-5T, child size 6-16

Adult S, M, L, XL and some XXL would be welcome

New socks, any style welcome, especially no-show and ankle styles

Children, youth and adult sizes

New underwear

Bikini, hipster and brief styles for girls and ladies; boxers, briefs and boxer briefs for boys and men

Children, youth and adult sizes

The clothing closet also accepts gently used clothing, please contact Janice Hage jhagenp@gmail.com if you have any gently used clothing to donate.

A collection box will be downstairs in Close Hall. The clothing drive will run through the end of April so our donations can be delivered in early May, at the start of National Foster Care Month. If there are any questions, please reach out to Janice Hage, jhagenp@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Fort Mill Care Center - Needs for April include boxed meals such as; Banquet Homestyle Bakes, Chicken/Tuna Helper, Rice-A-Roni, Taco kits, or Suddenly! Pasta salad, Vegetable oil, Sugar, brown sugar, ketchup and mayonnaise, but all food, personal hygiene and cleaning items are welcome. Please note they do not need canned vegetables at this time. They also have posted an Amazon wish list on their website fortmillcarecenter.org
Please drop off non-perishable items in the grocery cart downstairs in the office hallway.

Classroom Ready: We are continuing to collect rolls of scotch tape for Classroom Ready. The total number of rolls collected in January and February is 30! There is a plastic tote downstairs outside the offices to drop off donations. Blessings, Outreach & Missions Committee!

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 www.SAMS-USA.org (the Vivanco Family)

The Historic Paradise Foundation, 1001 Steele Street , Fort Mill, SC, 29715.

www.educationequalshope.org

[https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate\](https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate/)

Hurricane Helene Relief Updates:

NC Mountains Emergency Response: (Facebook group worth following- they're giving UPDATED INFORMATION on a regular basis). This site is updated multiple times a day. Check here to see if a fundraiser or a drive is being sponsored by a local Organization. **Unfortunately, as with many charities there have been scams, please verify that you are giving to a reputable group.**



Wondercraft Cards is still accepting orders for the beautifully designed Blue Ridge Deck with 100 % of the profits benefiting aid to victims of Hurricane Helene in Western North Carolina. \$9000 has been sent thus far.

The artwork in the cards has hidden icons such as wooly worms, dogwoods and white squirrels.

Please feel free to contact Chris or Janice Hage if you have any questions. To avoid paying shipping costs, please order through Janice Hage.

<https://www.wondercraftcards.com/pages/blue-ridge>

Notes from the Office



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.

Also, please be cautious if you receive an email claiming to be someone from the church. We have heard of several Parishioners that received an email claiming to be a Vestry member. The email was generic in nature, checking to see how she is doing. Several of the emails came from churchofficeclerygmail@gmail.com. Please do not respond to this email. It is not from anyone from St. Paul's. If any doubt, please check with the office before replying to a suspicious email.

REMINDER



***It has come to our attention once more, that **someone is sending text messages claiming to be Father Ed**. They sent out texts that ask if folks have a minute to talk, and then when folks reply, they say I'm in meetings, please send gift cards. He did not send those messages out. **He further stated, "the real Ed Pickup will never ask you for a gift card, so help me God. If anyone ever asks you for a gift card, it is an impostor and a liar, not me."** Please do not respond to these texts.

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



Happy Birthday!

April 7 th	Jay Abraham	14 th	Clare Hawes
9 th	Sarah Meyer	16 th	Pam Farley
10 th	Sally Reimers	21 st	Frank Stewart
11 th	Bayo Akinpelu	22 nd	Tina Girndt
12 th	Yvonne Howland	26 th	Sally Franklin
12 th	David McRell	26 th	Amanda Riker
14 th	Lauren Condon	26 th	Aiyana Flowers
		28 th	Greg Counts



Happy Anniversary!



April 8th James & Becky Traynor
12th Walter & Laura Verastegui

Altar Flower Sign up.

The 2025 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.

2025 Vestry members

Senior Warden: Ellen Frank- ellenatthebeach@gmail.com

Jr. Warden: Sue Craven bettysuecraven@gmail.com

Laura Daly: lrurich@yahoo.com

Wendy Penk - wendy.agcm@gmail.com

Chris Masoomian - cmasoomian@gmail.com

David Dudley - daviddudley2@gmail.com

Stephen Lovejoy - slovejoyv@gmail.com

Carolyn Line - Line.carolyn@gmail.com


Clerk: Dee Hodnett deehodnett@hotmail.com


Treasurer: Dennis Edwards- jded@comporium.net

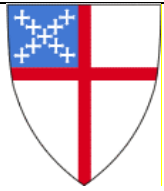
Finance Committee: Kent Weymouth

Contributions Secretary: John Connor- stpaulsfinance710@gmail.com

April

Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Book Study 11 AM	2	3	4	5 Clean-up day 10AM - Noon
6 1st Sunday Parish Breakfast 9:15	7	8 Book Study 11 AM	9	10	11	12
13 	14	15 Book Study 11 AM	16	17 Maundy Thursday Service 7PM	18 Noon-Solemn Prayers 5PM Stations of the Cross	19 Inquirer's Class (Adults) Confirmation Class (Youth) 10A-2PM

						Youth stuff and hide eggs following class
 20 Easter Egg Hunt following 10:30 service	21	22 Book Study 11 AM	23	24	25	26
27 Vestry Meeting Noon	28	29	30			

	April 6th The Fifth Sunday in Lent	April 13th The Sunday of the Passion Palm Sunday	April 20th The Sunday of the Resurrection Easter Sunday	April 27th The Second Sunday of Easter
Vestry of Day	Stephen Lovejoy	8:00 AM Wendy Penk 10:30 AM Sue Craven	Chris Masoomian	Sue Craven
8AM Altar Guild	Leah Abraham	Carolyn Line	Betty Allegretti	Betty Allegretti
8AM Lay Minister	Leah Abraham	Dee Hodnett	Carolyn Line	Betty Allegretti
8AM Lector 1	Ellen Frank	Carolyn Line	Sally Weymouth	Betty Allegrettu
8AM Lector 2	Leah Abraham	Dee Hodnett	Kent Weymouth	Kent Weymouth
8 AM Usher	Carolyn Line	Leah Abraham	Holly Russell	Kent Weymouth
10:30 AM Altar Guild	Donna Dudley	Pam Centea	Donna Dudley Mary Luzzi	Janice Hage
10:30 AM Lay Minister	David Dudley	Pam Centea	Mary Luzzi	Dan Bartell
10:30AM Lector 1	Mary Luzzi	Janice Hage	Ginny Arthur	Dan Bartell

10:30 AM Lector 2	Dee Hodnett	Stephen Lovejoy	Jennifer Dickson	Amanda Rikers
10:30 AM Usher	Dennis Edwards	Barbara McQueen Dee Hodnett	Dee Hodnett	Barbara Bartell
Acolytes	Ben Madej	Ben Madej Brandon Polan Vanessa Polan Cassie Polan	Ben Madej Brandon Polan Vanessa Polan Cassie Polan	
Counters	Dee Hodnett	Donna Dudley	Diane Lawton	Barbara Bartell
	Dennis Edwards	Libby Chambers	Niall Paule	Mary Luzzi
Flower Guild	Lent	Lent	Mary Luzzi	Pam Farley