



Sunday, May 17th, 2026
The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday
after Ascension Day
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 Sunday, May 17th is Food truck/Ascension. There will be one service from 10 - 11 AM, then a BBQ, taco and gourmet pops food trucks from 11 - 12:30. This is a self-pay event. Grab lunch and eat in Close Hall!

This Week's Schedule

Sunday at 10:00 AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist
Sunday 11:00 AM-12:30 PM	Food Truck Sunday
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 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 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. @ 757-650-0982**

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

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!

Upcoming Events

June 3rd – 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>



June 15th-17th from 5:30-7:30 PM

Bible and Book Studies

The Weekly Bible Study with The Reverend Ed –There will not be a Bible Study on May 17th. On Sunday, May 24th, we will discuss Matthew 28:16-20, The Great Commission.

Tuesday Book Study *Jesus Changes Everything*, by Stanley Hauerwas on, May 19th at 11 AM, we will discuss Part IV *Kingdom Economics*: Chapters 14-1. 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 25th 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>

Deadline to sign up and pay all fees is June 1st..

[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
stpaulseducator@gmail.com 704-968-2902

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 – May 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 **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 www.SAMS-USA.org (the Vivanco Family)

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

www.educationequalshope.org

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

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.



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

May Anniversary

31 st	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 3rd – Nance Griffin in Congratulations to Dr. Allyssa Lewis, DVM from UGA Vet School.

May 10th – Rev Ed Pickup in honor of all living mothers and in memory of all who have gone before.

May 17th – Jane Kilpatrick in appreciation for your love and support. You are blessings in my life.

May 24th - Available

May 31st – Clare and Mark Hawes in thanksgiving for 40 years of marriage.

2026 Vestry members

Senior Warden: Chris Masoomian - cmasoomian@gmail.com

Jr. Warden: Dee Hodnett deehodnett@hotmail.com

Clerk: Amanda Riker - aderos26@gmail.com

David Dudley - daviddudley2@gmail.com

Stephen Lovejoy - slovejoyv@gmail.com

Carolyn Line - Line.carolyn@gmail.com

Ben Madej

Chris Lombard - nclombard@gmail.com

Treasurer: Dennis Edwards- jded@comporium.net

Finance Committee: Kent Weymouth

Contributions Secretary: John Connor- stpaulsfinance710@gmail.com



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