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# **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

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As we live into our mission of Growing the Faith of People, I want you to be aware of three opportunities to grow through study, fellowship, and worship.

#### Lessons from the Kings—A Church-Wide Devotional Study

This fall, I invite the entire St. Paul congregation to journey through *Lessons from the Kings*—a 10-week devotional book exploring the lives, leadership, and faith lessons of Israel's kings. As we read and study together, we will discover how their stories speak to our own walk with God.

To deepen our understanding, five Wednesday Night Suppers will be devoted to this study. On those nights, come share a meal, open the scriptures, and grow together in faith. Your participation matters, not only for your own spiritual growth, but for the unity and strength of our church family. Books are available in the church office for purchase.

#### Ignis Dei-Local Men's Conference

Join us Friday, September 12 (5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.) and Saturday, September 13 (8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.) at Pierce Chapel Methodist Church. Ignis Dei, Latin for "Fire of God", is a gathering for worship, Bible teaching, and fellowship among men from our local churches. Various clergy from the area will lead discussions to inspire and challenge us to live faithfully in today's world. Register at piercechapel.com/news/ignis-dei-mens-conference.

#### **Stellarum in Concert**

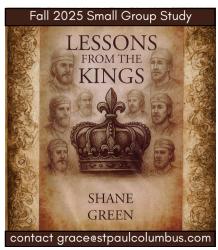
Join me on Sunday, September 28 at 5:00 p.m. in the St. Paul Sanctuary for an evening of extraordinary music and song. Stellarum is an acclaimed vocal ensemble that has toured Scotland, bringing audiences to stillness with their artistry and passion. You can preview their music on YouTube at Stellarum8Voices. Invite your friends and neighbors—this is a night you don't want to miss! Nursery will be provided.

Traditional Worship
8:30 A.M.
Illges Chapel (M250)
Leader: Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
Sermon: Practicing Stillness:
Stop Carrying What's Not Yours
Scripture Lesson:
Psalm 131 & Matthew 11:28-30

Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Rooted Rhythms: Return
with Purpose-Build the House
Scripture Lesson:
Deuteronomy 6:4-9 &
Matthew 7:24-27

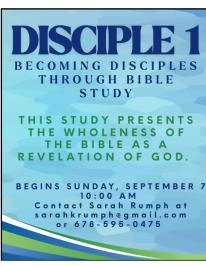
Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Rooted Rhythms: Return
with Purpose-Build the House
Scripture Lesson:
Deuteronomy 6:4-9 &
Matthew 7:24-27

#### **EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**





6th Grade Confirmation Banquet Thursday, August 21 6:30 PM St. Paul Fellowship Hall







Friday, September 19
A trip to BOTANIC in Opelika
for lunch and shopping!
Church bus leaves St. Paul at 11 AM
Contact: grace@stpaulcolumbus.com

for more information.

Space is limited, so RSVP today.



A CONCERT OF 8 REMARKABLE VOICES Sunday, September 28 5:00 PM St. Paul Church of Columbus Free Admission

## FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER WILL BE BACK FOR DINE IN ON AUGUST 27

6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m.
Fried and Rotisserie Chicken,
Corn, Fried Okra, Cornbread,
Full Salad Bar & Dessert
PLEASE RSVP AT

stpaulcolumbus.com/supper

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#### KIDMIN MOMENT

This week we're learning about faithfulness through the story of King Josiah. Josiah became king when he was only eight years old and wanted to follow God. When workers were fixing the Temple, they found a scroll with God's instructions that had been forgotten. Josiah read the scroll to the people and promised to follow God's ways. He helped the people return to God and showed what it means to be truly faithful.





#### **SPY MINISTRY**

The FIRST SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH of the School Year is tonight! Join us from 5:30–7:30 p.m. We'll have worship, snack supper, and FREE T-SHIRTS for everyone. Let's kick this year off strong! Reminders:

- The First High school girls Bible study meeting with Merritt Pryor is this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Building.
- The Back to School Bash is NEXT Sunday—don't miss it!
- SNY will start our Split format soon!

### **SNY IS SPLITTING SEPTEMBER 7**

New times will be:

5:00-6:00 p.m. - Middle School

6:00-6:30 p.m. - Snack Supper (both groups together)

6:30-7:30 p.m. - High School

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

8:30 AM Traditional Worship

Sunday, August 17

(M250)9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)9:30 AM Weekly Communion (M250)10:00 AM Cross Bearer Training (M260)10:00 AM Bridges SS Class (M235)10:00 AM High School Youth SS **Class (Y104)** 10:00 AM Middle School Youth SS **Class (Y106)** 10:00 AM New Life SS Class (Y102)10:00 AM Seekers Class (M234) 10:00 AM Wesley/Miller-Wilson **Class (M232)** 10:00 AM Wildwood Class (M150) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship (M260)2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)

Monday, August 18 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203) 5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting (M234)

4:30 PM Acolyte Training (M220) 5:30 PM SNY and Snack Supper

Tuesday, August 19 9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235) 5:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting (M203)

Wednesday, August 20 6:00 PM Beginner Handbell Class (M270) 6:00 PM Ministries Committee Meeting (M203) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, August 21 6:30 PM Confirmation Kickoff Banquet (M220)

#### TALK ABOUT IT:

Today's Sunday School Lesson for Preschool and Elementary Children

Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness (2)

Kings 22:1-23:23) Anchor Point – The Holy Spirit helps me act in good ways. Say the Bible verse together: The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5:22-23)

**Questions for family discussion:**  How do you think Josiah felt when he became the king at eight years old?

- How can you show that you are faithful to God?
- Can you name someone who is always faithful to God?

Prayer:

God, thank you for your faithfulness to us. Help us to always be faithful to you and live as you want us to. Amen.





#### **SERVING THIS WEEK**

- 8:30 Acolytes: SaSa Varner
- Cornavaca and William Park
- Cross Bearer: Fontaine Dixon
- Acolyte Helper: Lauren Coleman

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

- Caroline Laney

#### USHERS

- Copelan
- (11:00) Morgan Waldrep (Lead), Jack Jenkins, Brad Coppedge, Robert Raybon, Drew Bowles

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are given for the glory and grace of God in celebration of Dr. Bob and Mrs. Linda **Patton** on their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on August 21.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley A. Wasden, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Mason Hardaway Lampton.

#### **MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM GIFTS**

#### Altar Fund

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* 

by Riley Middleton, Jr.

In honor of *Cally Dixon* on her birthday

by Michelle Caves

Building Fund

In honor of the marriage of Leslie and Dr. Ron King

by Anna and Jake Flournoy and family

Fellowship Hall Fund In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* 

by Betty and Mike Hipps

#### Media Fund

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* 

- by Kathy and Tommy Bridges
- by the Wesley/Miller-Wilson Class
- by Anna Johnson

#### Wynnton Neighborhood Network In memory of *Marilyn Fugh*

- by Susan Middlebrooks
- by Julia and Ronnie Culpepper

If you've ever wanted to try handbells but have no experience, you're not alone! Learning the basics while jumping into music can be tricky—so we're offering a Beginner Handbell Class. Join us on August 20 at 6:00 p.m. (before Chancel Choir rehearsal). We'll cover techniques in a relaxed setting. If you're interested, please see Wayne Martz or call the office at 706-327-7419.

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### August 17, 2025 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour	
The Welcome & Announcements	Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
The Choral Call to Worship	This Is the Day
The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar	
The Prelude	
The Hymn of Celebration	O Jesus, I Have Promised (#396)
The Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed (#881)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

#### The Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer.....Rev. Fugh

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation	<i>Surrender All</i> (#354)	
The Leader: Let Us Worship God with His Tithe.	s and Our Offerings.	
The Offertory Prayer	Rev. Fugh	
The OffertoryLord, I Want	to Be a Christian, arr. F. Binckes	
The Doxology		
Praise God, from whom all blessing creatures here below: praise Him abpraise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A	pove, ye heavenly host;	
The Scripture LessonDeuteronoi	my 6:4-9 and Matthew 7:24-27	
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.  Congregational Response: Thanks be to God.		
The Passing of the Peace		
Leader: The Peace of Christ be with y Congregational Response: And also		
The Welcome and Registration of Attendance		
The Children's Moment	Mrs. Donna Hightower	
(Children ages K4-2nd graders are invited to go to Children's Church immediately following the Children's Sermon; children 3 and younger are taken to the nursery by parents, Rm M235)		
The Anthem	River in Judea, arr. J. Leavitt	
The SermonRooted Rhythms: Return v	vith Purpose - Build the House	
	Rev. Dr. Shane Green	
The Hymn of ConsecrationSavior,	Again to Thy Dear Name (#663)	
The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World		
The Choral Benediction and Amen	Threefold Amen	
The Postlude		
The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him		