ST. PAUL CHURCH // VOLUME 64, NUMBER 34 // AUGUST 24, 2025

# **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

2101 WILDWOOD AVENUE, COLUMBUS, GA 31906

## **Promotion Sunday**

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."— Psalm 119:105

Today we honor an important step in the lives of our children. Promotion Sunday reminds us of the sacred journey of faith: beginning in baptism, where God's covenant promises are spoken over each child, and continuing now as our 6th graders begin their confirmation journey—preparing to one day stand before the church and profess their faith in Christ.

As children move into new classes, we give thanks for God's guiding hand and the steady encouragement of this church family. Additionally, we offer gratitude for parents who nurture faith at home and for teachers who give of themselves in devotion and love, shaping young disciples for a lifetime of following Jesus.

During the 11:00 service, our 3rd graders will be entrusted with Bibles—God's living Word—to light their path and sustain them as they continue to grow in Christ.

## **Third Graders Receiving Bibles**

Elinor "Nora" Young Arnett Beau Rogers Cochran William Edward Coffman Greyson Kinser Crosby John Burl Roberts David Camille Dianne Forsyth Bruce Allan Getz, III
Mary Elyce Klinger
Dawson Charles Laney
Sanford Rush McMurphy, III
Robert Lee Springer, III
Robert Parker Varner, III

Traditional Worship
8:30 A.M.
Illges Chapel (M250)
Leader: Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
Sermon: Practicing Trust:
When You Can't Fix It
Scripture Lesson:
Proverbs 3:5-6 and Romans 8:28

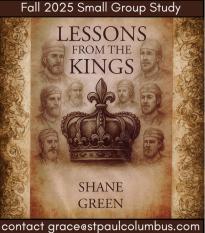
Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Rooted Rhythms:
Return with PurposeDon't Reverse the Order
Scripture Lesson:
Genesis 2:1-3 &
Matthew 11:25-30

Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Rooted Rhythms:
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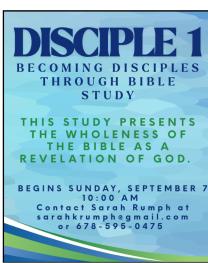
Broadcast Live at 11:00 A.M. at stpaulcolumbus.live

### **EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES**













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.



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

## **PASTORS & PROGRAM STAFF**

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#### KIDMIN MOMENT

This week we're learning about gentleness through Psalm 23. This psalm reminds us that God is like a gentle shepherd who cares for us. guides us, and provides everything we need. Just like sheep feel safe with their shepherd, we can feel safe knowing God is always with us—even in hard times. God gently leads us, protects us, and surrounds us with love that never stops.

## **NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES**

- 3s Parents serve on a rotation
- Pre-K/Kindergarten (Combined) Laine Klinger & Shelley Hill
- 1st-2nd Grade (Combined) Rebecca Hamilton & Katherine Coffman
- 3rd Grade Mandy Gill & Jake & Carly Gudger
- 4th–5th Grade Mary Dell & Bob Borneman
- 6th Grade Confirmation Tammy & Matthew Revnolds

#### Where to Go:

- Preschool-2nd Grade: Lower level of the Main Building
- · 3rd-6th Grade: Upper level of the Youth Building

Back to School Bash – TODAY! 5:30 -7:00 p.m.

- . Dinner on the grill with Shane & John
- · Water fun for kids sprinklers, water balloons, and water blasters on the quad

## **SPY MINISTRY**

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH is this afternoon from 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.! Parents, there will be grade quick informative meeting in the 6th Confirmation classroom in the Youth Building. This is to answer any questions regarding our new SNY split format starting September 7th, and to give out dates regarding SPY events and trips. There's no SNY next weekend due to the Labor Day holiday.

## 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

Sunday, August 24 8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250) 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship 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) 11:00 AM Promotion Sunday - 3rd **Graders Receive Bibles (M260)** 2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus) 4:00 PM Girls High School Bible Study (Y104) 4:30 PM Acolyte Training (M220) 5:30 PM Back to School Bash

Monday, August 25 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

Tuesday, August 26 9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235) 4:00 PM Spring Harbor Bible Study (Off Campus)

Wednesday, August 27 5:00 PM Beginner Handbell Class (M270)6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

#### TALK ABOUT IT:

(Galatians 5:22-23)

**Today's Sunday School Lesson** for Preschool and Elementary Children Fruit of the Spirit: Gentleness (Psalm 23:1-6) **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.

Questions for family discussion:

- Can you think of a time when someone showed gentleness to you?
- How did it make you feel when someone was gentle in his or her actions towards you?
- How can you show gentleness to others?

#### Praver:

Thank you, God, for your gentle care for us. Please help gentleness grow inside our lives and give us hearts filled with love. Amen.

#### SERVING THIS WEEK

- 8:30 Acolytes: Edie Getz and Katie Fugh
- 11:00 Acolytes: Mary Ellen Lane and Ruthie Springer
- Cross Bearer: Gardner Fields
- Acolyte Helper: Lucy Cochran

#### **ALTAR GUILD**

- Sanctuary: Betty Roberts
- Chapel: Eliza Brewer, Dori Jones, and Liz Lampton
- Delivery: Dori Jones

#### USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Morgan Waldrep (Lead), Jack Jenkins, Brad Coppedge, Robert Raybon, **Drew Bowles**

#### *IN MEMORIUM*

#### and the total **Anne Hinson Douglas** August 10, 1928 - August 15, 2025

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Janet Pulliam Gray by her daughter, Roxann Gray Daniel.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of Rev. John Fugh, Jr. by the Gower family.

## **MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM GIFTS**

## Childrens Ministry

In memory of *Betty Stinson* 

by Sharon Bunn and Carol Henderson

#### Media Fund

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* 

- · by Sharon Bunn and Carol Henderson
- by Erwin Key
- by Ann Norris
- by Anne Walton

#### Music Fund

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* 

by Marjorie Newman

## Wynnton Neighborhood Network

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh* by Sandy and Ken Coolik

#### Wildwood Class

In honor of **Bob and Linda Patton** 

by Betty Roberts

Acolyte Consecration is coming up! We will consecrate our new Acolytes during the 11:00 a.m. Traditional worship service on Sunday, September 14. Join us in celebrating their commitment to serve.

Ever wanted to give handbells a try? 🗗 Join us for a fun, no-pressure Beginner Handbell Class on August 27 at 5:00 p.m. (right before Family Night Supper). We'll learn the basics together in a relaxed setting-no experience needed! Come see Wayne Martz or call the office at 706-327-7419 to join the fun.

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

## August 24, 2025 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour	
The Welcome & Announcements	Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
The Choral Call to Worship	Brethren, We Have Met to Worship
The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar	
The Prelude	<i>Praeludium in F</i> , by J.S. Bach
The Hymn of Celebration	In the Garden (#314)
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 Presentation of Bibles to Third Graders	(see insert)
The Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer	Rev. Fuah

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.

The Leader: Let Us Worship God with His	Tithes and Our Offerings.
The Offertory Prayer	Rev. Fugh
The Offertory	Adagio, by G.F. Handel
The Doxology	
Praise God, from whom all ble creatures here below: praise H praise Father, Son, and Holy Gh	im above, ye heavenly host;
The Scripture LessonGenesis 2:1-3	3 (p. 2) & Matthew 11:25-30 (p. 792)
Leader: The Word of God for the Congregational Response: The	•
The Passing of the Peace	
Leader: The Peace of Christ be Congregational Response: And	•
The Welcome and Registration of Atten	dance
The Children's Moment	Mrs. Donna Hightower
(Children ages K4-2nd graders Church immediately following th 3 and younger are taken to the r	e Children's Sermon; children
The Anthem	<i>O Come, Angel Band</i> , Arr. S Curry
	ine Laney, Mandolin - Wayne Martz,
	Keyboard - Jill Honeycutt
The Sermon	
Rooted Rhythms: Return with	h Purpose - Don't Reverse the Order
	Rev. Dr. Shane Green
The Hymn of Consecration	I Know Whom I Have Believed (#714)
The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into	
The Choral Benediction and Amen	O Bear Me Away
The Postlude	
The Church Returns to His World to Se	rve Him