

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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From the beginning, God's people have been called to be welcoming to all. In Leviticus, the Israelites were told to love the stranger as themselves, remembering that they too had once been strangers in Egypt. Jesus made that command personal through the story of The Good Samaritan, showing that true compassion always crosses boundaries. The early church lived this out by meeting daily in homes, breaking bread, and caring for one another with "glad and generous hearts." Their hospitality was a visible daily practice. Through that visible love, the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Hospitality is love made visible. It is faith taking on flesh through kindness, generosity, and presence. When we open our hearts, homes, and church doors to others, we reflect the heart of God Himself—a God who continually welcomes, feeds, forgives, and restores. Hospitality is not simply about entertaining; it is about embodying grace. It's the way we say with our actions, "You matter. You belong. There is room for you here." It is where we preach a living sermon about God's love.

John Wesley and his followers understood this deeply. They took the gospel to the streets, fields, and prisons, turning hospitality into mission. They want all to come into the spiritual house of God's Spirit to experience transformation and wholeness. Wesley called this "social holiness"—a faith that refuses to remain private, because love, by its nature, must move outward.

Over these last seven weeks as we have explored the house of God's work in us, we are not meant to enter the house never to return to the world. The same Spirit of God leads us out to invite others to come inside to experience His love. When we practice God's hospitality, we join God in His ongoing welcome of the world. The lights of God's house are on, the door is open, and there is room for all.

Shane

Traditional Worship

8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)

Rev. John Fugh

Renewed Hope: Living Hope

1 Peter 1:3-9

Contemporary Worship

9:00 A.M.

Fellowship Hall (M220)

Rev. Dr. Shane Green with

Mrs. Rebecca Westerman

The Journey of a Disciple:

The Den (Love Invites Others to Belong)

Leviticus 19:33-34 and Luke 10:25-37

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11:00 A.M.

Sanctuary (M260)

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Broadcast Live at 11:00

at stpaulcolumbus.live

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Candy donations are needed for Trunk or Treat! Please bring bags to the main office. Then, come for a night of fall fun on Wednesday, October 29! Everyone's invited to enter the Chili Cookoff at Family Night Supper. Afterward, enjoy a kid's costume parade. Then, we'll head to the youth parking lot for Trunk or Treat! Bring the whole family!



Join us on Thursday, October 30, at 6:30 p.m. in Room 232 as our Adult Ministries group gathers to make beautiful Christmas Balls! Claudia Garrard will lead us in creating a keepsake you'll treasure for years to come. The cost is \$30, and light refreshments will be served. Nursery available with requests made by October 23.



Hope Harbour offers a safe place for victims of domestic violence. In light of October being Domestic Violence Month, please help support the needs of those seeking refuge. A list of needs was given in Sunday School and can be found on our social media. Donations may be brought to the St. Paul office. These will be delivered to HH.



Brooke and I would love for you to join us for our St. Paul Marriage Retreat, January 9–11, 2026, at the beautiful Pursell Farms Resort in Sylacauga, AL. It's the perfect setting for rest, renewal, and reconnection. The cost is \$1000 per couple, and space is limited. See stpaulcolumbus.com/events/. We can't wait for this weekend with you!



Travel with St. Paul to Italy! Join us June 2–11 for the trip of a lifetime as we explore Florence, Rome, and Naples. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the beauty, history, and faith of Italy with your church family! To reserve your spot, contact the church office at 706-327-7419, or contact shane@stpaulcolumbus.com.

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

ON OCTOBER 22

6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m.

Hamburger Steak with
Gravy, Butter Beans,
Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Full
Salad Bar & Dessert: Pigs in
a Blanket & Fries for Kids.
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CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

Children's Choirs will meet tonight at 5:30. Be on the lookout for information about the December Musical.



KIDMIN MOMENT

In Exodus, Moses and Aaron asked Pharaoh to free the Israelites, but Pharaoh refused and made their labor even harder. In response, God sent a series of plagues to reveal His power and authority. Though Pharaoh resisted again and again, the final plague led to the Israelites' release. God then commanded His people to remember His mighty deliverance through the celebration of Passover—a lasting reminder that God saves and provides.

Other dates to add to your calendar:

Nov. 9 - Club 45 Lunch - 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. - Cost \$5

Nov. 14-16 - Confirmation Retreat - Shocco Springs

Nov. 14 - Sabbath before Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Dec 5 - Sabbath before Sunday - 4:00 p.m.

Dec. 5 - Club 45 - Dinner and Ice Skating-5:30-8 p.m.

SPY MINISTRY

SPLIT SUNDAY NIGHT is tonight! On the menu for snack supper: PIG IN THE BLANKET & TATER TOTS



Then, next week get ready for Bounce-O-Ween! 🎃 Join us for a combined Middle and High School event on Sunday, October 26, from 5:30–7:30 p.m. We'll have awesome inflatables, games, snacks, and plenty of fall fun! Don't miss it! Let Laura know you'll be there!

We have 3 weeks left in our "Battle of the Grades" contest for Six Flags. Who will bring the most friends to experience God at St. Paul?!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

This past Sunday, we talked about "careers"—something that plays a huge part in our lives, especially as many of us are just getting started in ours. We're learning what it means to find our identity in Christ at work, instead of letting our jobs define who we are.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 19

8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)
9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)
9:30 Weekly Communion (M260)
10:00 AM Bridges SS Class (M235)
10:00 AM Disciple 1 Bible Study (Library)
10:00 AM Foundry Class (Y101)
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)
12:15 PM Private Baptism (M250)
2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)
5:00 SNY Middle School (Y210)
5:30 PM Snack Supper for Children's Choirs (M220)
6:00 PM Children's Choirs (M235)
6:00 PM Snack Supper for Youth (M220)
6:30 PM SNY High School (Y210)

Monday, October 20

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)
5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting (M234)

Tuesday, October 21

9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235)
10:00 AM TMBS (M232)
11:00 AM God's Grace Bible Study (M234)
11:30 AM Safehouse Ministers Luncheon (M220)
4:00 PM Spring Harbor Bible Study (Off Campus)

Wednesday, October 22

5:00 PM Handbell Practice (M270)
6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, October 23

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study (M232)
9:30 AM Preschool Moms Bible Study (M234)
1:00 PM Pastors' Lunch (M207)

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

Green is the color of Ordinary Time, symbolizing life, growth, and hope. Just as plants grow in sunlight and rain, green reminds us that God is always at work—nurturing our faith, deepening our roots, and helping us grow in grace each day.

Today's Sunday School Lesson
for Preschool and Elementary
Children: Moses and Pharaoh
(Exodus 5:1-13:9)
Anchor Point – We remember
God's powerful acts.
Say the Bible verse together:
"I'll set you free with great
power." (Exodus 6:6)

Questions for family discussion:
-God's powerful acts convinced Pharaoh to set the Israelites free. What would have changed if Pharaoh had originally agreed to let the Israelites go?
-After the Israelites were freed, God gave instructions for a special celebration to remember His powerful acts. This was to be held every year. Why do you think God did this?
-How have you seen God at work in your life?
-What helps you remember to be thankful for God in your life?

Prayer:
Thank you, God, for showing your great power to the Israelites and to us. Show us how to celebrate these special events. Amen.

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: Elizabeth Chester and Anna Wells Wallace
- (11:00) Acolytes: Haley Alexander and Edee Portillo
- Cross Bearer: Trip Carmichael
- Acolyte Helper: Sara Varner

ALTAR GUILD

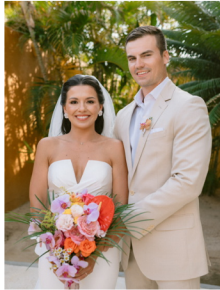
- Sanctuary: Liz Lampton and Meredith Waddell
- Delivery: Caroline Laney and Jenny Badcock

USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Jeff Hudson (lead), Jay Pease, Adam Pease, Parker Swift, Tommy Watkins, Bobby Baker

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of ***Elsie and Leigh Lucas and SaraBeth Steele*** in celebration of their autumn birthdays by Julie Strupe, Lauren Beverly, Maddie, Alaina and Terry Steele.

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Larry Lane and his family in the loss of his brother, ***Norman Terry Lane***, on October 6, 2025.



WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

We welcome our newest member to St. Paul, ***Brock Gullede***. Brock joined last Sunday on October 12, 2025. Brock is seen here with his lovely wife (and St. Paul member), Caitlin. Brock, we are delighted that you have chosen St. Paul as your church home.

MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM GIFTS

Altar Fund

In memory of ***Carol Auten***
• by the Moshier Family

Altar Guild

In memory of ***Anne Hinson Douglas***
• by Mary Lu Lampton

Building Fund

In memory of ***Johnny Jackson***
• by Joan and Tommy Culpepper
In memory of ***Carol Auten***
• by Nancy and Jim Tjoflat
In memory of ***Clark Stallings***
• by Eddie Branch

Media Fund

In memory of ***Marilyn Fugh***
In memory of ***Clark Stallings***
• both by Nancy Waldrep

Memorial Garden Fund

In memory of ***Oscar Quintana***
• by Marjorie Newman

Ukraine Ministry

In memory of ***Carol Auten***
• by Judy Fields
• by Mr. and Mrs. Jay Blankenship

Wynnton Neighborhood Network

In memory of ***Marilyn Fugh***
• by Sally and Bob Andrews

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 19, 2025

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & Announcements.....Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

The Choral Call to Worship.....*Come Let Us Sweetly Join*

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Prelude.....*Prelude on "Lord, I Want to be a Christian,"* arr. F. Binks

The Hymn of Celebration.....*Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior* (#351)

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.*

The Hymn of Preparation.....*And Are We Yet Alive* (#553)

The Leader: *Let Us Worship God with His Tithes and Our Offerings.*

The Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Fugh

The Offertory.....*Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott*, by J. Walther

The Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all
creatures here below: praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Scripture Lesson.....Leviticus 19:33-34 and Luke 10:25-37

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 you.*

Congregational Response: *And also with you.*

The Welcome and Registration of Attendance

The Children’s Moment.....Mrs. Laura Marvets

*(Children ages K4-2nd graders are dismissed to go to
Children’s Church immediately following the Children’s
Moment; children 3 and younger are taken to the nursery by
parents, Room M235)*

The Anthem.....*Down to the River to Pray*, arr. S Curry

Guitar - Caroline Laney, Mandolin - Wayne Martz, Keyboard - Jill Honeycutt

The Sermon.....*The Journey of a Disciple: The Den*

(Love Invites Others to Belong)

Rev. Dr. Green and Mrs. Rebecca Westerman

The Hymn of Consecration.....*O Jesus, I Have Promised* (#396)

The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World

The Choral Benediction and Amen.....*Dresden Amen*

The Postlude.....*Basse et dessus de trompette*, by L. Dornel

The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him