WEEKLY BULLETIN

2101 WILDWOOD AVENUE, COLUMBUS, GA 31906

At St. Paul, we believe the sacraments are more than rituals—they are means of grace. In baptism, God welcomes us into the family of faith, and we are grafted into the saving works of Christ. In communion, Christ sustains us with His very presence. These are not simply things we do; they are holy encounters where God does the heavy lifting.

Baptism is a moment of initiation and welcome—a sign that God claims us before we can ever claim Him. It marks us as God's own, calling us into a lifelong journey of faith. It is also our commission into ministry where we are his ambassadors in the world. Communion is a table of grace and renewal, reminding us of Christ's sacrifice, uniting us as His body, and feeding our souls for the journey ahead. When we share in communion, we proclaim Christ's lordship.

While we bring our faith and obedience, the sacraments are ultimately gifts from God. In these sacred acts, God's grace meets us, shapes us, and carries us forward. In *Summa Theologica*, Thomas Aquinas said, "Sacraments are signs of a sacred thing inasmuch as it sanctifies humanity." Baptism and communion remind us that salvation and growth in Christ are not earned by our effort but received by His mercy.

Today as we are invited to the Lord's table, we come with gratitude and awe, trusting that God is at work—welcoming, forgiving, sustaining, and transforming us through His grace.

Traditional Worship 8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
with Mrs. Helen Burgin
The Journey of a Disciple:
The Table (Meeting Grace
through the Sacraments)
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
and Acts 8:34-38

Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
with Mrs. Helen Burgin
The Journey of a Disciple:
The Table (Meeting Grace
through the Sacraments)
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
and Acts 8:34-38

Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
with Mrs. Helen Burgin
The Table (Meeting Grace
through the Sacraments)
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
and Acts 8:34-38

Broadcast Live at 11:00 at stpaulcolumbus.live

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Our annual Blessing of the Animals will be this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. in the Quad. Bring your furry friends for special blessings and treats. This is a fun time for all! Thank you to Jennifer Daniel for helping with this event each year!



Travel with St. Paul to Italy! Join us June 2–11 for the trip of a lifetime as we explore Florence, Rome, and Naples. The cost is \$5,390, and we have about 8 spots available. 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.



Join us for a night of fall fun on Wednesday, October 29, for Trunk or Treat! Kids can enjoy a costume parade after Family Night Supper, and everyone's invited to enter the Chili Cookoff! After eating hot dogs with chili, we'll head to the youth parking lot for Trunk or Treat. Bring the whole family!



St. Paul is partnering with Clubview Elementary's Bulldog Buddies Reading Program! We need volunteers to read with children who need extra help. Contact carolinecastlelaney@gmail.com or fill out the form from the QR code. Learn more about being a Bulldog Buddy at Family Night Supper this week!





Parents, our next Sabbath Before Sunday will be October 10 in the Quad from 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Couples, we have an opportunity for you! We will have a Marriage Retreat from January 9-11, 2026 at Pursell Farms Resort in Sylacauga, AL. The cost is \$1000 per couple. There are only spots for 8 couples left, so please RSVP soon.

donna@stpaulcolumbus.com or stpaulcolumbus.com/events/marriage

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER ON OCTOBER 8

6:00 p.m - 7:00 p.m.
Spaghetti and Meatballs,
Chicken Alfredo, Broccoli,
Garlic Bread, Full Salad Bar
& Dessert: Chicken Fingers
and Fries for Kids.
stpaulcolumbus.com/supper

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KIDMIN MOMENT

This week we will learn how Moses' mother took a chance to save her son. It was a brave thing to do. Moses' sister showed courage by watching over Moses while he was hidden in the river. Pharaoh's daughter was brave too. She knew her father's law about Hebrew baby boys, but she chose to save the baby's life. God used these three brave women to save Moses' life. Their courage reminds us that God can use anyone—no matter their age or position—to do something brave and important.

Candy, Trunks, and Golf Carts are needed for a successful Trunk or Treat on October 29! Contact donna@stpaulcolumbus.com. Drop candy donations in the bin outside Mrs. Grace Bailey's office.

SPY MINISTRY

This afternoon, we're heading to Spring Harbor to spend time with this community and show the love of Christ. Each Sunday afternoon, there is a worship service hosted by a St. Paul representative. Today we will join the service and help spread joy. This is our *Project James* mission, to meet people in the community where they are and worship with them. We'll meet in the youth building parking lot at 1:30 p.m. then ride together. After our visit, we'll stop for ice cream (don't forget to bring money!).

REMINDER: Over the next 5 weeks, our youth will compete by grade to see who can bring the most friends to Sunday School + Sunday Night Youth!

- 1 person = 1 point
- Big events & Sunday School = 2 points
- Winning grade = Six Flags Over Georgia trip for the whole Sunday (on Nov. 9th)!

Encourage your friends to show up and represent their grade! Plus, remember Taco Tuesday this week!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Thank you, everyone, for a great first meeting! Today we begin our new series, *Adulting*, to help guide us in our journey with Christ. Breakfast will be provided!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, October 5 8:00 AM Red Cross Blood Drive (Youth Building) 8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250) 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)10:00 AM Bridges SS Class (M235) 10:00 AM Disciple 1 Bible Study 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) 1:30 PM SPY Project James 2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off 4:00 PM Blessing of the Animals 5:30 PM Snack Supper for Children's Choir (M220) 6:00 PM Children's Choirs (M235)

Monday, October 6 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

Tuesday, October 7
9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235)
10:00 AM TMBS (M232)
11:00 AM God's Grace Bible Study
(M234)
4:00 PM Spring Harbor Bible Study
(Off Campus)
7:00 PM SNY High School Taco
Tuesday at The Marvets (Off
Campus)

Wednesday, October 8 5:00 PM Handbell Class (M270) 6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220) 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, October 9
All Day: Playground Closed
6:30 AM Mens Bible Study (M232)
9:30 AM Preschool Moms Bible Study
(M234)

Friday, October 10 All Day: Playground Closed 4:00 PM Sabbath before Sunday (Y206 & Quad)

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE OR GOLD White symbolizes purity, holiness, and the joy of Christ's presence. Gold highlights the glory of Christ's victory.

TALK ABOUT IT:

Today's Sunday School Lesson for Preschool and Elementary Children: The Baby in the Basket (Exodus 1:8-14; 2:1-10) 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 was working through people to save Moses. You may have heard the saying, "You are God's hands and feet." What do you think this saying means? -What are some ways you can be God's hands and feet? --How can God use you to do God's work? -How does it make you feel to

Prayer:

you?

Thank you, God, for loving us and allowing us to be your hands and feet to the world. Amen.

know God is working through

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: William Park and TBA
- (11:00) Acolytes: Edie Getz and Katie Fugh
- Cross Bearer: Sam Hubbard
- Acolyte Helper: Tabetha Getz

ALTAR GUILD

- · Chapel: Carolyn Perry and Katie Bickerstaff
- Delivery: Lynn Pugh and **Beth Thomas**

USHERS

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

SafeHouse Ministry need 10 volunteers to stuff envelopes on October 10 at 10:30 a.m. Please contact Joe Morrow at 706-332-9314.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of *Peggy* Pease Jenkins and Mack W. Jenkins, Jr. by their family.

MEMORIAL & HONORARIUM GIFTS

Building Fund

In memory of Johnny Jackson

- by Betty and Buddy Roberts In memory of *Marilyn Fugh*
 - by Harriette Cavender

General Fund

In memory of *John Mayher*

- by Colleen and Rusty Rustin In memory of *Bill Ploeger*
 - by Colleen and Rusty Rustin
 - by Kristine Watkins

Music Fund

In memory of *Mizell Alexander*

- by Julie Alexander
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- bv Robert Alexander

In memory of *Marilyn Fugh*

- by Julie Alexander In memory of *Anne Hinson Douglas*
- by Julie Alexander In honor of Wayne Martz
 - by Riley Middleton, Jr.

Wildwood Class

In memory of **John Mayher**

- by Betsy Flournoy In memory of Johnny Jackson
 - by Betsy Flournoy

Wynnton Neighborhood Network In memory of *Margaret Yarbrough Bickerstaff*

by Alice Douglas



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 5, 2025

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

| The Chiming of the Hour | |
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| The Welcome & Announcemer | nts Mrs. Grace Bailey |
| The Choral Call to Worship | I Come With Joy |
| The Cross and Flame Come to | the Altar |
| The Prelude | Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing, by A. Ward |
| The Hymn of Celebration | From All That Dwell Below the Skies (#101) |
| The Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles' Creed (#881) |
| and in Jesus Christ his o the Holy Spirit, born of | her Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius |

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......Mrs. Bailey

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. |
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| The Offertory PrayerMrs. Bailey |
| The Offertory Anthem |
| 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 |
| 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 |
| (Children ages K4-2nd graders are dismissed to go to Children's Church; children 3 and younger are taken to the nursery by parents, Room M235) |
| The SermonThe Journey of a Disciple: The Table |
| (Meeting Grace through the Sacraments) |
| Rev. Dr. Green and Mrs. Helen Burgin |
| The Sacrament of Holy Communion(#12) |
| The Hymn of ConsecrationFor the Bread Which You Have Broken (#614) |
| The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World |
| The Choral Benediction and AmenTogether Met, Together Bound |
| The Postlude |
| The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him |