



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Time is one of God's most precious gifts—and one of the easiest to misplace. We often give our best hours, energy, and attention to lesser things, while the things that matter most are left for "later." In the rush of daily life, we can end up majoring in the minors, filling our calendars without ever asking whether our time reflects what we truly value.

In Ephesians 5, Paul reminds us that we were once darkness, but now we are light in the Lord. Because of who we are, we are called to live wisely, making the best use of our time. Scripture doesn't invite us to be busier; it invites us to be wiser. Wisdom begins when we learn to see our days clearly, to count them rightly, and to offer them back to God with intention.

As part of our All In series, today we reflect on what it means to be All In with our time. Rather than squeezing God into an already crowded schedule, we are invited to let God shape the way our days are lived—so that our time, like our lives, becomes an act of worship. — Rev. Dr. Shane Green

*Faithful God, you have called us your own and redeemed us through Jesus Christ. In response to your mercy and grace, we come to offer ourselves to you. We place before you our lives: our time, our gifts, our resources, and our plans. Use us where you desire. Lead us in work that honors you and in rhythms of rest that restore our souls.*

*When obedience feels costly, strengthen our faith. When the path is uncertain, teach us to trust you. When service stretches us, fill us with joy. We are no longer living for ourselves alone, but for the one who gave himself for us. Send us into the world as your people, that through our lives the faith of others may grow.*

*By your Spirit, shape us for your mission. We are "All In," now and always. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.*

## Traditional Worship

8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)

Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

*All In with My Time*

Ephesians 5:8-20

## Contemporary Worship

9:00 A.M.

Fellowship Hall (M220)

Rev. Dr. Shane Green

*All In with My Time*

Ephesians 5:8-20

## Traditional Worship

11:00 A.M.

Sanctuary (M260)

Rev. Dr. Shane Green

*All In with My Time*

Ephesians 5:8-20

Broadcast Live at 11:00  
at [stpaulcolumbus.live](http://stpaulcolumbus.live)

After the bright revelations of Christmas and Epiphany, the focus shifts to growing into that revelation through daily discipleship. Green symbolizes growth, life, and ongoing formation. It reflects the steady work of God shaping us over time as we learn what it means to follow Jesus in ordinary, faithful ways. Green emphasizes spiritual maturity—living out the light that has been revealed.

## EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

St. Paul is offering relationship-building classes called **Strengthening Our House**. This event takes place at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. With counselors Amy Buchanan and Erin Harkey leading, these sessions focus on nurturing healthy relationships. Don't miss this opportunity for Christian growth—and feel free to invite friends! Dates and topics are listed below:

### **Session 2 (TODAY, January 25) - Managing Conflict**

Session 3 (February 1) - Sex & Intimacy

Session 4 (February 8) - Dreams & Shared Meaning

Session 5 (February 15) - Recap & Review

The **Family Night Supper** menu for this week will be Pork Loin, Squash Casserole, Broccoli, Rolls, the Salad Bar, and various Desserts. RSVP at [stpaulcolumbus.com/supper](http://stpaulcolumbus.com/supper). For the program this week, Mrs. Mary Lou Jarrell will give a presentation on one of our important missions, Wynnton Neighborhood Network.

Join our **Adult Ministries** group on Friday, February 6, at 11:00 a.m. for "Learn and Lunch". Learn the history of the St. Paul Chapel and delve into the symbolism of the stained glass windows, carved wood, and mosaic. We'll enjoy a delicious meal following our in-depth look at the Chapel. The cost is \$10 per person. Please RSVP by February 3 to [grace@stpaulcolumbus.com](mailto:grace@stpaulcolumbus.com).

We have important retreats coming up for St. Paul Kids and St. Paul Youth.

- 6th Grader's Confirmation Class Retreat, **Epworth By the Sea**, January 30 - February 1.
- **SPY Winter Ski Retreat**, Ghent, WV, February 26–March 1.

**Part-Time Kitchen Help Needed:** St. Paul is seeking a dependable part-time person to assist with kitchen support. For more information, please contact Philip Badcock at 706-327-7419.



**Red Cross Blood Drive**  
**Sunday, February 1**  
**8:00am – 12:30pm**  
**Room Y210 (Youth Building)**

## PASTORS & PROGRAM STAFF

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# KIDMIN MOMENTS

## Born Anew

Jesus told Nicodemus that following God means being changed on the inside and becoming part of God's family. Because God loves us so much, He gave Jesus so we can belong to Him forever. When we belong to God, we want to use our time wisely—choosing every day to love God, help others, and do what pleases Him. We show our love by how we spend our days, living for Jesus **All-In**.

## ***All In for 2026***

St. Paul is asking you to pray a special prayer for 21 more days! See if you can keep up with the church's pledge to do this! The prayer is on the front page of this bulletin. Ask your parents to pray with you!

It talks about offering ourselves to God. What does that mean? Perhaps you could do some acts of kindness this week.



Mark your calendars for our annual **Easter Egg Hunt** on Sunday, March 22. The hunt will be at 2200 Oak Avenue. **Candy donations** such as prefilled eggs are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring your donations to the main office by March 18.

**Children's Choirs will start practicing again on Feb. 1.**

## SPY MINISTRY

Tonight's SNY is for Middle School ONLY. For those High Schoolers retreating this weekend, we'll be praying for your safety as you travel home. You have the night off.

Middle School: 5:00PM – 6:30PM  
Snack Supper: Pigs in a Blanket  
Cost: Bring \$1 for snack supper

Save the Date: SPY Winter Ski Retreat - Feb 26th - March 1st. Here's the link to sign up:



[stpaulcolumbus.com/event/ski2026](http://stpaulcolumbus.com/event/ski2026)

## Sunday, January 25

- 8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)
- 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)
- 9:30 AM Weekly Communion (M260)
- 10:00 AM Strengthening Our House Session 2 (M220)
- 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)
- 2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)
- 4:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting (M203)
- 5:00 PM SNY Middle School (Y210)
- 6:00 PM SNY Snack Supper (M220)

## Monday, January 26

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

## Tuesday, January 27

- 9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235)
- 10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study (M232)
- 11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M234)
- 12:00 PM Dr. Ivan Rusyn Luncheon (M220)
- 4:00 PM Spring Harbor Study (Off Campus)

## Wednesday, January 28

- 6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

## Thursday, January 29

- 6:30 AM Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study (M232)
- 9:30 AM Preschool Mom's Bible Study (M234)

## Friday, January 30

- 12:30 PM Confirmation Retreat to Epworth (Off Campus)

## Saturday, January 31

- Confirmation Retreat to Epworth (Off Campus)

## Today's Sunday School Lesson for Preschool and Elementary Children

### Born Anew (John 3:1-21)

**Anchor Point – Jesus is God's Son.**

**Say the Bible verse together:**

**"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." (John 3:16)**

**Questions for family discussion:**

- Why do you think Nicodemus called Jesus Rabbi?
- Do you think Nicodemus thought Jesus was the Messiah? Why or why not?
- What do you think Jesus was trying to tell Nicodemus?
- How do you think Nicodemus felt after he talked to Jesus?

**Prayer:**

Dear God, thank you that we can come to you with our questions. Help us to listen carefully for your answers. Amen.

### Journey to Italy

June 2-11

\$5390 per person

RSVP at 706-327-7419

## SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: Gigi Gudger and Susie Gudger
- (11:00) Acolytes: Haley Alexander and Edee Portillo
- Cross Bearer: Tripp Carmichael
- Acolyte Helper: Lucy Cochran

## ALTAR GUILD

- Delivery: Beth Burgin and Jenny Badcock

## USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Mike Gill (lead), Philip Park, Austin Gower, Ben Hubbard, John Cochran, John O'Connor



The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar today are given to the Glory of God, and in loving memory of our parents, **Mr. and Mrs. John R. Smith** and **Mr. and Mrs. James R. Hipps, Sr.** by Mike & Betty Hipps.



We welcome our newest members to St. Paul, **Sally and Chad Bohannon**, along with their daughter, **Baker Bohannon**. They joined last Sunday on January 18. Please welcome them, as we are delighted that they have chosen St. Paul as their church home.

## MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

### Altar Fund

In memory of **Etta Langley**

- by Lisa and Sonny White

### Altar Guild

In memory of **Kay and Walter Wright**

- by Kathy Tanner

### Building Fund

In memory of **Etta Langley**

- by Nancy and Jim Tjoflat

### General Fund

In honor of **Sally and Baker Bohannon**

- by Ellen Lane

### Media Fund

In honor of **Rev. John Fugh, Jr.**

- by Erwin Key

### Wynnton Neighborhood Network

In memory of **Etta Langley**

- by Ann Norris

## OPEN DOOR SUNDAY LUNCH 2026

You are invited to **Sunday Lunch 2026** on March 15, 2026! This is a fundraiser benefitting **Open Door Community House**. The lunch will be from 12:30-2:00 p.m. at the St. Luke Ministry Center on 301 11th Street. Please scan the code or go to [www.odch.org/events](http://www.odch.org/events).





# ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 25, 2026  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

## The Chiming of the Hour

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

**The Choral Call to Worship**.. *O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord*, by D. Moore

**The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar**

**The Prelude**..... *We're Marching to Zion*, by R. Lowry, arr. H. De Cou

**Responsive Reading**..... Rev. Fugh

*Gracious God, you have given yourself fully to us,*

***You have loved us with a faithful and unending love.***

*Before we offered anything to you,*

***You claimed us as your own.***

*You call us not to give you leftovers,*

***But to offer our whole lives in response to your mercy.***

***All that we are and all that we have comes from you.***

**The Hymn of Celebration**..... *God of Grace and God of Glory* (#577)

**The Affirmation of Faith** ..... *The Apostles' Creed* (#881)

**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**..... *Be Thou My Vision* (#451)

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

**The Offertory Prayer**.....Rev. Fugh

**The Offertory**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us / He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought,*

by Wm. Bradbury, arr. N. L. Smith

**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**.....Ephesians 5:8-20

**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. Donna Hightower

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

**The Anthem**.....*The Promised Land*, by Hellums & Harlan

**The Sermon**.....*All In with My Time*, Rev. Dr. Shane Green

**The Hymn of Consecration**.....*Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* (#438)

**The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World**

**The Choral Benediction**.....*Threefold Amen*, by J. Storer

**The Postlude**.....*For the Healing of the Nations*, by Kaan/Hughes

**The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him**