

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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In Joshua 24, the people are gathered and are asked to choose whom they will serve. For years, they had carried old loyalties alongside their faith in God. Joshua called them to put away those divided loyalties and renew their allegiance to Yahweh. Then he set up a stone as a witness so that they would not forget the promise made.

Ash Wednesday does the same thing but in a different way. On Ash Wednesday, we are marked with ashes and reminded of our mortality and our belonging. We are God's covenant people, but we are also a people who drift, forget, and divide our loyalties.

The ashes function like Joshua's stone. It is a visible sign that calls us back to a decision once made: we belong to the Lord. Just as Joshua called the people to remove their idols, Ash Wednesday calls us to name the things we still carry—habits, fears, distractions, and sins. Lent becomes the season where we actively put those things away.

Lent is a season of covenant renewal for people who belong to God but need to remember it. The ashes are a witness that we are choosing God again. On Ash Wednesday, we are invited to say, "As for me and my life, I return to the Lord."



All In Prayer 2026

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 Life
Joshua 24:14-28

Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
All In with My Life
Joshua 24:14-28

Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
All In with My Life
Joshua 24:14-28
Broadcast Live at 11:00
at stpaulcolumbus.live

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Strengthening Our House classes conclude this week with one final session at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to counselors Amy Buchanan and Erin Harkey for leading these sessions focusing on healthy relationships.

Session 5 (February 15) - Recap & Review

The **Family Night Supper** menu for this week will be Pot Roast, Rice, Roasted Sweet Potatoes, Rolls, the Salad Bar, and various delicious Desserts. The kids will have Grilled Cheese and French Fries.

Our Lenten Devotional by Rev. John Fugh, Jr., “Encounter, Stones, and an Empty Space: From Sacred Altars to the Empty Tomb” will be available for purchase in the church office on February 15 for \$10.

The **Ash Wednesday service** will be on February 18 at 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary following our Wednesday Night Supper.

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.

In the Bible, meals can be transformative. They become the means for hospitality, evangelism, worship, discipleship, and theology. When we share the table together, we not only interact with food, friends, family, but also with our faith.

From **Sunday, February 22—Sunday, March 15**, Dr. Green will explore 4 different scripture passages centered around the table. Each Sunday from **5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** will be an opportunity to share a meal and learn together. Space is limited to 12 people. You may sign up using the QR code.



St Paul Serves - Rise Against Hunger

On **March 15**, St. Paul will serve our neighbors around the world by partnering with Rise Against Hunger. This hands-on mission opportunity allows us to pack nutritious meals for families facing hunger, turning our compassion into action. Join us as we live out our faith through service, one meal at a time: stpaulcolumbus.com/event/day-of-missions-march-15

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KIDMIN MOMENTS

Stories of the Lost

Because God has searched for us, found us, and rejoices over us, we offer our whole lives in response. We trust Him with our time, our gifts, our resources, and our plans, knowing nothing is wasted in His hands. When the path is unclear or obedience feels costly, we choose faith and joy, believing God is always at work. Now that we are found, we are fully committed to His mission, now and always—
All-In.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT AT EPWORTH



Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 22. The hunt will be at 2200 Oak Avenue at 4:00. Pre-filled candy eggs are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring your donations to the main office by March 18.

SPY MINISTRY

Sunday, February 15 – No SNY. There will be no SNY due to the Presidents Day holiday and Winter Break for schools. Enjoy the long weekend and time to rest with family!

Reminder: SPY Winter Ski Retreat Boot Fitting is next Sunday, February 22 at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Building. You need to be present for the fitting if you are going on the ski trip.

Coming Up: SNY on February 22 will be COMBINED High School and Middle School from 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 15

8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)

9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)

9:30 AM 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)

2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)

5:30 PM Children's Choirs (M235)

Monday, February 16

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting (M234)

Tuesday, February 17

10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study (M232)

11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M234)

4:00 PM Spring Harbor Study (Off Campus)

Wednesday, February 18

6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)

6:45 PM Ash Wednesday Service (M260)

7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, February 19

6:30 AM Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study (M232)

9:30 AM Preschool Moms Bible Study (M234)

Friday, February 20

4:00 PM Sabbath Before Sunday (Y206 and Quad)

6:00 PM Club 45 Dinner and Game Night (Y210)

Gold is used on Transfiguration Sunday to reflect the radiant glory of Christ revealed on the mountain to Peter, James, and John. It symbolizes God's divine light, holiness, and majesty shining through Jesus before his journey to the cross.

**Today's Sunday School Lesson for
Preschool and Elementary Children
The Stories of the Lost (Luke 15:3-10)
Anchor Point – Parables teach us
about God's love.
Say the Bible verse together:
"Everyone who has ears should pay
attention." Luke 8:8**

Questions for family discussion:

- **Have you ever lost something important? What was it?**
- **How long did you look for it?**
- **Where did the woman look for the lost coin?**
- **If you were a shepherd, would you leave ninety-nine sheep to go look for one sheep? Why or why not?**
- **How do you think you would feel if you found something important that was lost?**

Prayer:

Dear God, thank you for finding the lost and helping us change our hearts and lives. Help us to feel joy when the lost is found. Amen.

**Italy: June 2-11
\$5390 per person
RSVP at 706-327-7419**

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: Haley Alexander and James Adams
- (11:00) Beau Cochran and Edee Portillo
- Cross Bearer: Katie Grace Fugh
- Acolyte Helper: Erin Murphy

ALTAR GUILD

- Sanctuary: Cathryn Pease
- Chapel: Jenny Swift
- Delivery: Jenny Badcock

USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Will Burgin (lead), Eric Kilgore, Jason Pease, Jay Parker, Gordy Pease, Nick Garcia

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Henry DeBolt Wiley, Henry DeBolt, Wiley, Jr., and Carson Bullock Wiley by their family.

The flowers in the Illges Chapel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Judy H. King by Anna and Jake Flournoy.

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Richard Mobley, Jr. and family in the loss of his father, **Richard Barry Mobley, Sr.**, on January 29, 2026.

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

Altar Fund

In memory of **Molly Farmer**

- by Betty and Buddy Roberts

Altar Guild

In memory of **Etta Langley**

- by Cindy and Brock Jones

Children's Ministry

In honor of **Nancy Weekley on her 90th Birthday**

- by Mr. and Mrs. J. Edgar Chancellor, III
- by Lisa and Sonny White

In memory of **Rudi Pierson**

- by Drs. Kathryn and Ben Cheek

Music Fund

In honor of our faithful **St. Paul Choir**

- by Kay and Crow Gudger

St. Paul Preschool

In memory of **Etta Langley**

- both by Lynda Alford

Wildwood Class

In memory of **Stephanie East**

In memory of **Etta Langley**

In memory of **Rudi Pierson**

- all by Betsy Flournoy

In honor of **Nancy Weekley on her 90th Birthday**

- by Betty and Buddy Roberts

Wynnton Neighborhood Network

In memory of **Berry Mobley**

In honor of **Nancy Weekley on her 90th Birthday**

In honor of **John Colvard**

- all by Alice Douglas

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 15, 2026
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & AnnouncementsRev. John Fugh, Jr.

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

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Prelude.....*Be Thou My Vision*, arr. by Nicole Chamberlain
flutists: Mason Stokes & G.G. Whiting

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.....*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* (#381)

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.....*Trust and Obey* (#467)

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

The Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Fugh

The Offertory.....*Maya*, by I. Clarke

flutists: Mason Stokes & G. G. Whiting, pianist: Jill Honeycutt

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.....Joshua 24:14-28

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.....*Let The Praise Go Round*, by W. Boyce

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

The Hymn of Consecration.....*Nearer, My God, to Thee* (#528)

The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World

The Choral Benediction.....*Threefold Amen*

The Postlude.....*Jesus Is All The World To Me*, by Thompson

The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him