

WEEKLY BULLETIN



2101 WILDWOOD AVENUE, COLUMBUS, GA 31906

Holy Week and Easter Sunday do not simply happen, for they are prayerfully prepared, faithfully carried, and joyfully offered by the hands and hearts of many servants. As a church, we pause to give thanks for those who gave their time, energy, and gifts so that we might all encounter the living Christ in meaningful and beautiful ways.

Throughout Holy Week, we were nourished both spiritually and physically thanks to the generosity of Laura Roberts and Beauty Stephens, who lovingly provided lunches each day and prepared the meal for our Maundy Thursday gathering. Their hospitality created space not just for fellowship, but for reflection, reminding us that even simple meals can become sacred moments in the presence of God.

We are deeply grateful for the many volunteers of our Altar Guild who transformed our Sanctuary and entrance into spaces of reverence and beauty. Through their careful attention and creative care, they helped set the tone for worship, quietly proclaiming that what happens here matters. Likewise, our dedicated custodians worked tirelessly behind the scenes, setting up, breaking down, and cleaning up so that every service and gathering was ready to welcome us into God's presence.

We also celebrate Julia Green and her faithful leadership of our children's choirs, whose voices lifted our hearts in worship on Easter Sunday. Their singing was not just music, but a testimony of joy and hope, reminding us of the new life we celebrate. Finally, to all volunteers—our Chancel Choir, those serving in A/V, our ushers, and the many unseen hands who make everything flow—we offer our sincere thanks.

At St. Paul, we believe that every act of service is an act of worship. That truth was on display this past Holy Week and Easter. Thank you for being a church that doesn't just attend worship but helps create it.

Today, our church continues using white paraments, the traditional color of joy and celebration in the Christian year. During Easter season, white reminds us of the new life and hope revealed through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. White is used on Communion Sundays, reflecting the holiness and grace we encounter at the Lord's Table as we remember Christ's sacrifice and celebrate the new life we share in Him.

Traditional Worship
8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)
Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
Misunderstanding the Kingdom
Acts 1:1-8

Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
From Fear to Mission
John 20:19-23

Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Rev. Dr. Shane Green
From Fear to Mission
John 20:19-23
Broadcast Live at 11:00
at stpaulcolumbus.live



EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

The **Red Cross Blood Drive**, going on now, is in the Youth Building. Today, we lift up Laura Martin, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ronnie Culpepper, as she fights leukemia. Your blood donation can help patients like Laura—offering strength, hope, and life. Please donate if you are able.

Communion Stewards are needed! We are working on a list of stewards to rotate through communion times, both weekly and monthly. If you'd like to serve in this way, please contact the church office at 706-327-7419.

This week, **Wednesday Night Supper** will be at 6:00 p.m. Our meal will be Roasted Potato Soup, BBQ Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Corn Bread, Salad Bar, and Desserts. The Kids Menu will be Chicken Tenders and French Fries. Our program will be a special presentation from our Children's Choirs.

St. Paul Chancel Choir and musicians have provided excellent ensembles and music for our worship services during this interim time without a Director of Music. Please help us in thanking **Hope Phillips, Jill Honeycutt, Adley Scott, Mason Stokes, Katherine Ambrester**, and others. We recognize your dedication and hard work!



The **African Children's Choir** will be at St. Paul on April 19 for a special 11 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to hear the children worship!

On Wednesday, April 29, we will be making "Hygiene Kits" for **Wynnton Neighborhood Network** at Wednesday Night Supper. Please help with this mission project by donating toilet tissue. You may bring your donations to the church, where there is a collection receptacle near Grace Bailey's office. Your help is greatly appreciated!

The 24th Annual **BRIDGE Golf Tournament**, held in memory of **Elliott Kirven**, will take place Thursday, May 14, at Bull Creek Golf Course. The BRIDGE program, with Goodwill of Southern Rivers, provides GED preparation, life skills training, career support, and hiring events for young adults ages 18–30. Proceeds from the tournament remove barriers for students (such as fees and transportation). Go to www.bridgecolumbus.org or contact Jim Tjoflat at 706-464-4640.

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Baby in Bloom

You are invited to a baby shower in honor of
ANNA FUGH STEPHENS

Saturday - April 18th, 2026
At 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Drop-In)
St. Paul Forum (M241)

Registry at My.babylist.com
and at Target.com

KIDMIN MOMENTS

Our SS Lesson: Come to breakfast

One Sunday, Jesus' friends were fishing all night. They didn't catch anything! In the morning, Jesus stood on the shore and told them where to put the net, and they caught so many fish! It was amazing! When they realized it was Jesus, they were filled with joy, and He even made and shared breakfast. This story reminds us that Jesus takes care of us and gives us more than we need.

Important upcoming dates for Children and Youth:

April 15 - Children Sing at Wednesday Night Supper

April 19 - African Children's Choir

April 23 - Confirmation Banquet

April 26 - Confirmation Sunday

April 28 - Senior and Family Dinner

May 3 - Senior Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

SPY MINISTRY

Are you "drifting" or are you reminded of the GOSPEL that we've studied? We will have a regular Split SNY tonight with a Snack Supper in between. Bring \$1. SS will be combined for the rest of the semester. REMINDER: High Schoolers and College students, camp counselor applications are online:

stpaulcolumbus.com/events

Seniors and Parents: Remember to send your information for the Senior Bulletin to Laura. We want to recognize your achievements on May 3!

Communion Sunday, April 12
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
(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)
3:00 PM Confirmation Interviews
(Library)
4:30 PM Missions Committee
Meeting (M203)
5:00 PM Middle School SNY (Y210)
5:30 PM Children's Choirs (M235)
6:00 PM Youth Snack Supper (Y210)
6:30 PM High School SNY (Y210)

Monday, April 13
1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

Tuesday, April 14
10:00 AM Ladies TMBS (M232)
11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M235)
4:00 PM Spring Harbor Study (Off
Campus)

Wednesday, April 15
6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
(M260)

Thursday, April 16
6:30 AM Men's Bible Study (M232)
9:30 AM Preschool Mom's Bible
Study (M235)
11:30 AM CSU Taste of Wesley
Luncheon (M220)

Friday, April 17
4:00 PM Sabbath Before Sunday
(Quad)

Saturday, April 18
10:30 AM Baby Shower for Anna
Fugh Stephens (M241) - Drop In until
12:00 PM

Today's Sunday School Lesson for
Preschool and Elementary
Children
Come to Breakfast! (John 21:1-14)
Anchor Point – We celebrate
Jesus.

Questions for family discussion:

- **Would you like to have a meal with Jesus? If you could have that meal, what plans would you make for it?**
- **Why do you think the disciples didn't recognize Jesus immediately?**
- **What do you think would have happened if the disciples hadn't cast their net on the other side of the boat?**
- **Can you tell about a time you did something you were told to do that you didn't understand, but it turned out to be a good thing?**

Prayer:

Dear God, help us to always be obedient disciples and faithfully follow you. Amen.

Thank you to our singers and musicians who provided beautiful worship music during our Holy Week devotionals: **June Howard, Tommy Bridges, Jill Honeycutt, Jennifer Akin, and Adley Scott.**

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: Beau Cochran and William Park
- (11:00) Acolytes: Brucie Getz and Gray Williams
- Cross Bearer: Johnson Trawick
- Acolyte Helper: Sara Carver

ALTAR GUILD

- Delivery: Martha Hatcher and Jenny Badcock

USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler, Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Kee Evans (lead), Jay Brodwyn, Tim Shaw, Skip Henderson, Brandon Fields, Blake Voltz

IN MEMORIAM

Harold Eugene Upchurch, Jr.
September 17, 1955 – April 3, 2026

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the **marriage of Sydney Martha McRae and William Barksdale Boyd**, in honor of **Dr. and Mrs. Sydney Cochran; Dr. and Mrs. Jon McRae;** and **Mr. Thomas Boyd**, and in loving memory of **Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Patterson** and **Mrs. Barksdale Boyd.**

The Flowers in the Chapel are Given to the Glory of God and in memory of **Harold Eugene Upchurch, Jr.**

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Jim Sims and family in the loss of his sister, **Melissa Hall**, on April 5, 2026.

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Marty and Ken Chung and family in the loss of Marty's father, **Newton Sharp** on April 4, 2026.

The Rosebud in the Chancel is in honor of the March 12, 2026, birth of **Martha Frances Colson**, daughter of Palmer and John Colson and sibling of Claire Colson. May the Lord bless this little one with love and fill her life with happiness and peace.

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

Altar Guild

- In memory of **Mike Jackson**
- by Pam and Homer Shuler
 - by the Wildwood Class
 - by Eddie Branch

- In memory of **Jeanne "Pat" Norris Walters**
In memory of **Cindy Straus**
- both by Betty and Buddy Roberts

Building Fund

- In memory of **Jeanne "Pat" Norris Walters**
- by Mary and George Boyd

Wildwood Class

- In memory of **Mike Jackson**
In memory of **Jeanne "Pat" Norris Walters**
- both by Betsy Flournoy

Wynnton Neighborhood Network

- In memory of **Judge William Rambo**
In memory of **Etta Dykes Blackmon Langley**
In memory of **Judy Bradford Hubbard**
In memory of **Mike Jackson**
- all by Judy and Bobby McCarley
- In memory of **Mike Jackson**
- by Ann Norris

- In memory of **Philip Cain**
- by Susan Middlebrooks
- In memory of **Billy Winn**
- by Alice Douglas
 - by Ann Norris

- In memory of **Jeanne "Pat" Norris Walters**
- by Ann Norris

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 12, 2026
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service



The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & AnnouncementsRev. John Fugh, Jr.

The Choral Call to Worship..... *This is the Day*, by D. Moore

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Prelude.....*All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name*
by Perronet/Holden; arr. H. Leonard
pianist, Jill Honeycutt

The Hymn of Celebration.....*Lift High the Cross* (#159)

The Affirmation of Faith*The Apostles' Creed*

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

The Offertory Prayer.....Rev. Fugh
The Offertory/Anthem.....*There is a Fountain*
by W. Cowper; arranged by D. Forrest

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.....John 20:19-23

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 Sermon.....*From Fear to Mission*, Rev. Dr. Shane Green

The Sacrament of Holy Communion.....(#12)

The Hymn of Consecration.....*Sent Forth by God's Blessing* (#664)

The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World

The Benediction.....*Peace, God's Wonderful Peace*
by W. Runyan; arr. D.Moore

The Postlude.....*Come, Thou Almighty King*, by F. De Giardini; arr. H. Leonard
pianist, Jill Honeycutt

The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him