

WEEKLY BULLETIN

2101 WILDWOOD AVENUE, COLUMBUS, GA 31906

SPY Fall WKND: One Weekend, One Community

What a time we had! This past weekend, St. Paul Youth and St. Luke Youth came together for our first combined Fall WKND at Camp Grace, and we are so thankful for how God was working within this partnership.

From the very beginning, the weekend felt smooth, natural, and unified. There were no awkward separations between the two groups, as students, leaders, and volunteers immediately connected. Everyone got along, friendships were formed, and it truly felt like one youth ministry worshipping, laughing, playing, and growing together.

This partnership was especially meaningful because many of our students are already connected in different ways. Some attend St. Luke School but worship at St. Paul. Others have friends at St. Luke outside of our youth ministry. This weekend gave those existing connections a chance to grow and helped bridge the gap between students who may already know one another but haven't always had a place to connect.

Camp Grace was also the perfect setting. With so many activities available and everything within walking distance, students had the freedom to spend the afternoon with their friends, choose activities, explore, and have fun together. All the while it was easy for our leaders to keep everyone connected and moving throughout the day.

Most of all, we are grateful for the opportunity to create space for our students to make new friends, strengthen friendships they already have, and experience the larger family of the Church. We are thankful for St. Luke, their students, leaders, and our incredible volunteers: Stevie Lorentz, Connor Davis, Emma Hess, Cadie Parker, Timo Treilobs, Laura Roberts, and Andy Carter.

We're excited about what God might do next through this partnership!

Blessings,



Mrs. Laura Marvets
Youth Director

Traditional Worship

8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)

Rev. Meghan Gross

Full Body Scan: The Eyes

Psalms 121

Modern Worship

9:00 A.M.

Fellowship Hall (M220)

Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

For Us and for Our Salvation

1 Corinthians 15:3-5

Traditional Worship

11:00 A.M.

Sanctuary (M260)

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**Broadcast Live at 11:00
at stpaulcolumbus.live**

Our Parenting Seminars

Continue Today! Join us at 10:00 a.m. for a meaningful time of conversation, spiritual encouragement, and practical support for the journey of parenting. We're excited to welcome back Amy Buchanan and Erin Harkey for this four-week series. Today's topic is "Connecting with Your Child." We hope you'll join us!

Our Liturgical color is green, symbolizing growth, life, and spiritual maturity.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Today:

- **Parenting Seminar, 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall**
- **Club 45 - Love in Action: WNN, 12:00p.m.**
- **College Music Scholars Meeting, 1:00 p.m., Online**
- **John Fugh III and Emma Hess Shower, 3:00 p.m., M232**

Wednesday Night Supper is this week, September 23! We'll have **Marry Me Chicken** with **Potatoes, Asparagus** and **Rolls**, along with the **Soup and Salad Bar**. Dessert will be a **Lemon-Blueberry Cake**. The kids' menu will be **Pigs in a Blanket and Tater Tots**. Our program will focus on the *Whisper* series by Mark Batterson, with Mrs. Grace Bailey as our speaker. Please join us! Online reservations can be made at stpaulcolumbus.com/supper.

St. Paul for All Day! Our church will come together to serve as the hands and feet of Christ at various sites and organizations throughout our community. The date is **October 25** for members to serve, guided by our Missions Committee. Some of our mission partners are Wynnton Neighborhood Network, SafeHouse Ministries, Operation Christmas Child, Backpack Buddies, and The Methodist Children's Home. Look for future sign-up options for individuals and families to serve.



Music Rehearsals: This Wednesday, the Bell Choir will eat supper together at 5:30 p.m., then have rehearsal at 6:00 p.m. in the Music Suite. **Chancel Choir** will meet for rehearsal afterwards at 7:00 p.m. You are welcome to join our fabulous choir! No audition is required! Please contact: josh@stpaulcolumbus.com.

Music Suite: We are so excited to be using our newly renovated Music Suite for rehearsals! We will have a formal ceremony of dedication and recognition on **Sunday, October 11**, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service. We hope that you will join us for this historic event!

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KIDMIN MOMENTS

David the Musician

When King Saul was feeling sad or troubled, he called David, a talented young harpist, to his palace. Whenever David played his beautiful music, it brought comfort and peace to King Saul's heart. David loved using his musical gifts to worship God and wrote many of the special praise songs, or psalms, that we read in the Bible. This reminds us that we can all use our talents, like singing and making music, to praise God and bring joy to others!

Children's Choir has begun with a new schedule that includes a Fellowship Supper and Sing program on Wednesdays. Children sit together for our regular supper at 6:00 p.m., then join for choir at 6:30 p.m. Get your child involved in this fun ministry! Reserve them seats at supper at stpaulcolumbus.com/supper.

Upcoming Events for Children and Parents:

- 3 more Parenting Seminars from today–Oct 4
- Children's Choirs, September 23
- Preschool Fall Break, September 24–25
- Confirmation Class to Shearith Israel, September 25
- St. Paul for All Day of Missions, October 25
- Trunk or Treat with Costume Parade, October 28

SPY MINISTRY

Join us for another **Combined Sunday Night Youth** from 5:00–7:00 p.m.! Breakfast Night 2.0 is happening! We'll start hangout time at 5:00 p.m., followed by breakfast for dinner at 5:30 p.m. After an incredible Fall WKND, we'll keep building on what we learned about prayer. We'll do a prayer walk and reflect on our retreat, including what God may still be teaching us.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Join us for our kickoff event: **Bowling at Stars and Strikes!** The event will take place Saturday, September 26th at 4:00 p.m. There is no cost, but to ensure that we book sufficient lanes, please RSVP to Meghan Gross by Thursday, September 24th if you plan to attend.

Our first Second Sunday Lunch will take place at **Mix Market** on Sunday, October 11th at 12:30 p.m. Please join us for some after-church fellowship!

To get notified about other upcoming young adults events, please email meghan@stpaulcolumbus.com.

Sunday, September 20

8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)

9:00 AM Modern Worship (M220)

9:30 Weekly Communion (M260)

10:00 AM Parenting Seminar (M220)

10:00 AM Bridges SS Class (M235)

10:00 AM Foundry Class (Y101)

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)

10:00 AM Boys' Youth (7-12 Gr SS (Y106)

10:00 AM Girls' Youth SS (7-12 Gr) (Y104)

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (M260)

12:00 PM Club 45- Love in Action: WNN

1:00 PM College Music Scholars Meeting (Online)

2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)

3:00 PM Shower for John Fugh III and Emma Hess (M232)

5:00 PM SNY Combined (Y210)

5:30 PM SNY Snack Supper (M220)

Monday, September 21

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (Library)

7:00 PM Organists' Guild Meeting (M260)

7:45 PM Organists' Guild Reception (M220)

Tuesday, September 22

10:00 AM TMBS (M232)

11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M235)

4:00 PM Spring Harbor Bible Study (Off Campus)

Wednesday, September 23

9:30 AM Preschool Moms' Bible Study (M235)

5:30 PM Handbell Choir Supper (M232)

6:00 PM Handbell Choir (M273)

6:00 PM Children's Supper (M220)

6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)

6:30 PM Children's Choir (M235)

7:00 PM Chancel Choir (M273)

Thursday, September 24

Preschool Fall Break

Friday, September 25

Preschool Fall Break

5:45 PM Confirmation Class to Shearith Israel (Off Campus)

Saturday, September 26

4:00 PM YA Bowling (Off Campus)

Today's Sunday School Lesson
for Preschool and Elementary
Children
**David the Musician (1 Samuel
16:14-23)**
Anchor Point – We can love
and serve God.

Say the Bible verse together:
"The Lord sees into the heart."
1 Samuel 16:7

Questions for family
discussion:

- What made David a good king for Israel?
- How did David serve God by using his talent of playing the harp?
- What talents has God given you?
- How can you use your talent to serve God?
- How do you show joy?

Prayer:
Thank you, God, for the joy
we feel when we serve you.
Help us recognize our talents
and develop them to serve
you. In Jesus' name, we pray.
Amen.

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes:
Haley Alexander and
Scarlett Bross
- (11:00) Acolytes:
Dawson Laney and
Elizabeth Chester
- Cross Bearer:
Bennett Fields
- Acolyte Helper: Erin
Murphy

ALTAR GUILD

- Chapel: Whitney Pease
and Frances Raybon
- Delivery: Caroline Laney
and Amanda McPherson

USHERS

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler
and Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Charlie Jarrell
(lead), Jay Marvets, Guy
Kenimer, Jr., Jeff Beck,
Bill Pound, Brad Hill

The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of
God and in loving memory of **Leo and Bobbie
Schladensky** by their family.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

Altar Fund

In memory of **Wren Watson Gilliam**
• by Harriette Cavender

Building Fund

In memory of **Ed Poole**
• by Carolyn Poole

Wynnton Neighborhood Network

In memory of **Anne Williams**
• by Nancy and Jim Tjoflat

REMINDERS

Please join us in celebrating the upcoming
nuptials of **Emma Hess and John Fugh III**
this afternoon from 3:00-5:00 p.m. for a
wedding shower in room M232. Everyone is
invited! The couple is registered at zola.com.

Hiring for Part-Time: Kitchen – St. Paul is
seeking a dependable part-time person to
assist with kitchen support. Please contact
Philip Badcock at 706-327-7419.

We ask that you keep our sacred space in
the **Sanctuary** beautiful by refraining from
food or drink. Thank you!

Interested in plugging into a **Bible Study**?
Email grace@stpaulcolumbus.com.

Our next **Blood Drive** is October 4, from 8:00
a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please donate and give
new life to others.

St. Paul will showcase a **Fall Music Concert**
on Wednesday, October 14 at 7:00 p.m. after
Wednesday Night Supper. This presentation
will include Children's and Chancel Choir,
special guests, plus the Bell Choir. This event
is free, open to the public, and seating will be
open from 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 20, 2026
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & Announcements Rev. Meghan Gross

The Prelude.....*Where He Leads Me*, by Norris/Berry
pianist, Cher Liu

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Choral Call to Worship...*O Jesus, Blest Redeemer*, by Cleland B. McAfee

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.

Sunday School Testimony.....Mr. Jim Rumph and Mrs. Sarah Rumph

The Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer.....Rev. Gross

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. Gross
The Offertory	<i>The Solid Rock</i> , by Bradbury organist, Adley Scott
The Doxology	
<i>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.</i>	
The Scripture Lesson	1 Corinthians 15:3-5
Leader: <i>The Word of God for the People of God.</i>	
Congregational Response: <i>Thanks be to God.</i>	
The Passing of the Peace	
Leader: <i>The Peace of Christ be with you.</i>	
Congregational Response: <i>And also with you.</i>	
The Welcome and Registration of Attendance	
The Children’s Sermon	Mrs. Donna Hightower
<i>(Immediately after the Children’s Sermon, children 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.)</i>	
The Anthem	<i>The Lord Will Be My Shepherd</i> , by Don Besig
The Sermon	<i>For Us and for Our Salvation</i> , Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
The Hymn of Consecration	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i> (#102)
The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World	
The Benediction and Choral Response	<i>We Praise Thee, O God</i> by Joseph Barnby
The Postlude	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i> , by John Darwall pianist, Cher Liu
The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him	