

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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St. Paul for All – It's Time to Register!

Maybe you've been thinking about it, sitting on the fence, wondering if your schedule would allow it. Or maybe you kept saying, "I'll decide when we get a little closer." Well...we're closer! St. Paul for All Day is next Sunday, October 25, so say "Yes!"

Scripture reminds us, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it" (1 Corinthians 12:27). That is exactly what St. Paul for All Day is about. Some of us can build, paint, or cook. Some can organize, pack, write, visit, encourage, or clean. Others may not know exactly what to do, other than lend a willing pair of hands. Next Sunday, there's a place for your willing hands to serve, as well as a place for every age, ability, and skill level.

We will be serving ministries throughout our community with projects benefiting Grace House Women's Ministries, SafeHouse Ministries, Magnolia Manor, Truth Spring, the Sara Spano Children's Clothing Bank, Wynnton Neighborhood Network, Operation Christmas Child, The Fort, Bright Futures, and PAWS Humane Society. We'll also be serving local military members and their families through activities designed to encourage them and thank them for their service.

Additionally, we have construction and painting projects, care box packaging, encouraging note writing, and other projects. Some projects will give you the opportunity to get outdoors and flex muscles. Maybe your place is on our food preparation team, helping prepare the sack lunches we'll share with all of our "missionaries" on that day.

Mission work doesn't always require traveling hundreds of miles. Sometimes the mission field is right outside our church doors. Therefore, if you've been waiting to decide, now is the time. Go to the church website and look for St. Paul for All on our Events page (see link below). Choose your place and become part of the Body of Christ at work through St. Paul Church and our community.

In love and service together,



Tammy Reynolds, Missions Chair

stpaulcolumbus.com/event/st-paul-for-all-serve-day-2026

Traditional Worship

8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)

Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

Even the Wind: A Three-Week Study in Matthew

Matthew 8:23-27

Modern Worship

9:00 A.M.

Fellowship Hall (M220)

Rev. Dr. Shane Green

Integrity Under Pressure

Genesis 39:1-23

Traditional Worship

11:00 A.M.

Sanctuary (M260)

Rev. Dr. Shane Green

Integrity Under Pressure

Genesis 39:1-23

Broadcast Live at 11:00
at stpaulcolumbus.live



EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Celebrate Emma Hess and John Fugh III's wedding on November 7 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul Church of Columbus. A light reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Scan the QR code for details!

The **Sunday Small Group Leaders** Celebration is TODAY, October 18th, following the 11:00 service in the Wesley/Miller-Wilson classroom. Together, we'll celebrate each other and discuss how God is at work in our groups. We'll see you then!

Join us TODAY at 4:00 p.m. on the Quad for our annual **Blessing of the Animals!** Let's gather and give thanks for the wonderful animals God has placed in our lives. This special service is made possible with the help of Jennifer Daniel and PAWS. Bring your beloved pets and join us for a joyful afternoon! 🐾

Wednesday Night Supper for October 21: We'll have **Pork Loin, Wild Rice, Green Beans, Tomato Casserole, Rolls,** and the **Soup and Salad Bar.** There will be **Lemon Blueberry Cake** and **Cookies** for dessert. The kids' menu will be **Chicken Fingers** and **Fries.** Our program will be a fun night of Bible Trivia on Heroes of the Bible! Our youth are helping us with the game, so please join us! Online reservations can be made at stpaulcolumbus.com/supper.

The **Men's Bible Study** begins October 22 at 6:30 a.m. in room M232. If you are interested in getting plugged into one or more studies, please contact grace@stpaulcolumbus.com.

Join the American Guild of Organists on Thursday, October 29 for an **Organ Spooktacular!** This festive listening event will be at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal, 1130 First Avenue, Columbus. You may dress in Halloween costumes!

The Altar Guild is in need of volunteers. We are planning our Advent season, and looking for volunteers of all skills and interests. Please contact Liz Lampton if you are interested in supporting our work during the holidays: lizwasden@gmail.com.

Are you receiving St. Paul's emails? **Join our email list.** Email theresa@stpaulcolumbus.com to receive news from St. Paul.

CLOTHING DRIVE
in conjunction with
St. Paul for All Day 🌞

Please donate clothes for ages 5-18 as part of **St. Paul for All Day!** Clothing will be given to the **Sara Spano Children's Clothing Bank.** You may bring your donations to the office.

Get your best Chili recipes out! We'd love for you to participate in the annual **Chili Cookoff** at Wednesday Night Supper on October 28. You have a little over a week to perfect your recipe and beat our reigning Chili Queen, Grace Bailey. Bring your chili by 5:30 p.m. that day and let the judges decide whose recipe deserves the winning title!

PASTORS & STAFF

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Associate Minister

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KIDMIN MOMENTS

David Dances

When David became king, he wanted to celebrate God's presence by bringing a special chest to Jerusalem. Inside the chest were important reminders of God's love, including the Ten Commandments, a jar of manna, and Aaron's special rod. David was so filled with joy and excitement as they brought the chest home that he danced before the Lord with all his might! This reminds us that we can express our love and joy for God through dancing, singing, and praising Him with all our hearts.

Today, we have an **Acolyte Consecration** during the 11:00 a.m. service for our remaining Acolytes.

Club 45 is today from 12:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m. We'll have lunch and play games on the quad. We'll see you then, 4th and 5th Graders!

Candy donations are needed for **Trunk or Treat!** Please bring bags to the main office. Then come for a night of fall fun on Wednesday, October 28 for our Annual Trunk or Treat! This night includes a Chili Cookoff, Supper, a Costume Parade, and the Candy Crawl! Contact Donna if you'd like to decorate your trunk at donna@stpaulcolumbus.com.

Interested in helping other children? Kids, ask your parents to consider contributing Georgia state tax dollars to the Methodist Home for Children and Youth. Go to themethodisthome.org/tax-credit.

SPY MINISTRY

We have a Combined SNY tonight! SNY is back this Sunday with a worship night with the band. Bring a friend and get your sway on!

Sign up today for **St. Paul For All Day**, our church-wide mission day, at stpaulcolumbus.com/events! We'll spend next Sunday afternoon serving our community. We'd love to have our SPY students and families there, acting as the body of Christ! There will be no SNY on October 25 because we'll be serving together for St. Paul For All Day!

Save the Date: **Youth Ski Trip** scheduled for January 1-4, 2027. More information to come, but mark this on your calendars! We will be going back to Ghent!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

We enjoyed Second Sunday Lunch at **Mix Market** last week. Thank you to the group for making our visitor feel welcome and connected to St. Paul! Next is our **Halloween on the Screen** event at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 24. We'll have snacks and watch a spooky movie together! Text Meghan or email meghan@stpaulcolumbus.com for directions to the location.

Sunday, October 18

8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)

9:00 AM Modern Worship (M220)

9:30 AM Weekly Communion (M250)

10:00 AM Bridges Group (M235)

10:00 AM Foundry Group (Y101)

10:00 AM New Life Group (Y102)

10:00 AM Seekers Group (M234)

10:00 AM Wesley/Miller-Wilson Group (M232)

10:00 AM Wildwood Group (M150)

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

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

11:00 AM Traditional Worship (M260)

12:00 PM Club 45 Lunch and Games (Quad)

12:30 PM Sunday Small Group Leaders Celebration (M232)

2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship (Off Campus)

4:00 PM Blessing of the Animals (Quad)

5:00 PM Combined SNY (Y210)

6:00 PM SNY Snack Supper for All Youth (M232)

Monday, October 19

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (Library)

5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting (M232)

Tuesday, October 20

7:00 AM 8th Gr. Girls Bible Study (Off Campus)

10:00 AM TMBS (M232)

11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M235)

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

Wednesday, October 21

7:00 AM 6th-7th Gr. Girls Bible Study (Off Campus)

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

5:30 PM Handbell Choir Supper (M232)

6:00 PM Handbell Choir (M273)

6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220)

6:00 PM Children's Choir (M235)

6:30 PM High School Girls Bible Study (Y210)

7:00 PM Chancel Choir (M260)

Thursday, October 22

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

Saturday, October 24

4:00 PM Young Adults Halloween on the Screen (Off Campus)

**Today's Sunday School Lesson for
Preschool and Elementary
Children**
David Dances (1 Samuel 6: 1-19)
**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:

- Why did David want to bring God's chest to Jerusalem?
- Why do you think he danced when he was bringing the chest to Jerusalem?
- How do you show joy?
- Do you think God wants us to be joyful?
- What are some things that bring you joy?

Prayer:

**Dear God, help us to be joyful
and find great joy in your
presence. In Jesus' name, we
pray. Amen.**

SERVING THIS WEEK

- (8:30) Acolytes: Susie and Gigi Gudger
- (11:00) Acolytes: Anna O'Hara and Charles O'Hara
- Cross Bearer: Camille Pease
- Acolyte Helper: Erin Murphy

ALTAR GUILD

- Delivery: Caroline Laney and Amanda McPherson

USHERS

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

Hiring for Part-Time: Kitchen
Please contact Philip Badcock
at 706-327-7419.

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of **Pierce Lawrence Moore** by his great-grandparents, Ginger and Larry Harper.

The flowers on the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of today's baptism of **Rebecca "Bibbi" Linden Kemmer** by her parents, Becky and Richard Kemmer.

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy are extended to Drs. Amanda and Kevin McPherson and their family in the loss of Amanda's father, **Dr. Eugene VanLandingham Herrin**, on October 7, 2026.

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS

Altar Guild

In memory of **Pat Albright**

- by Nancy Weekly

General Fund

In memory of **Berry Henderson**

- by Ann Norris

Wildwood Class

In memory of **Kathleen Bishop**

In memory of **Jeannette Lougee**

- both by Betsy Flournoy

St. Paul for All FAQs:

What should I wear?

- Your Free T-shirt! Pickup begins October 21.
- Wear jeans, your T-shirt, and sneakers. This is appropriate for worship too!
- You may wear last year's shirt. Same color, same mission!

What to expect after church.

- At noon, pick up a sack lunch in the Fellowship Hall.
- Your leader will let you know where you will eat as a team.

Do I need to bring any supplies or equipment with me?

- All materials will be at your work site.

Now, all we need is you on October 25!

- One church. Many gifts. One Body.
- Sign up. Show up. Serve.
- stpaulcolumbus.com/event/st-paul-for-all-serve-day-2026

Sunday, October 18, 2026, is the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost, which falls during Ordinary Time in the Wesleyan church calendar. **Green is the liturgical color** for this season, symbolizing growth, new life, and spiritual maturity. It reminds us that faith is shaped not only during special seasons or celebrations; it grows through the ordinary rhythms of life as we continue to follow Christ, deepen our relationship with God, and bear spiritual fruit.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 18, 2026
11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & Announcements Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

The Prelude.....*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*, Trad. Spiritual, arr. Calvin Taylor
pianist, Cher Liu

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

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

The Hymn of Celebration.....*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* (#139)

The Sacrament of Infant Baptism.....Pierce Lawrence Moore (see insert)

The Consecration of Acolytes.....Rev. Dr. Shane Green

Acolytes: Charles Whitaker O'Hara, Julio Alberto Portillo III, and Jack Hofer Stone, Jr.

Questions asked of the Acolytes:

Minister: *Do you believe in God the Father who made you, in Jesus Christ who saves you, and in the Holy Spirit who helps you follow Jesus?*

Acolytes: *I do.*

Minister: *With God's help, will you practice a living faith—praying, listening to Scripture, worshiping with your church, and serving as an acolyte with care and joy?*

Acolytes: *I will.*

Minister: *When you carry this Light, will you remember that Christ is our Light and show His kindness at church, at home, and in the world?*

Acolytes: *I will.*

As each Acolyte kneels, they are consecrated with these words:

(Name), *Take Thou the authority of an Acolyte in the Church of Jesus Christ. Serve His Altar with devotion and honor. Amen.*

The Acolyte and Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer

Minister: *Today you stand at God's Altar, consecrated for the ministry of acolytes, to serve at His holy Altar. I invite you now to make your prayer to God, asking for His grace to fulfill this calling. Let us pray.*

Acolytes (together): ***Holy Father, thank You for the privilege of serving as an acolyte. I offer You my best. Help me carry the light of Christ with care, worship with reverence, and show His kindness in this church and in Your world.***

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.....All Things Bright and Beautiful, by John Rutter

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.....Genesis 39:1-23

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

(At this time, 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.)

The Sermon.....Integrity Under Pressure, Rev. Dr. Green

The Hymn of Consecration.....How Firm a Foundation (#529)

The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World

**The Benediction and Response.....May the Peace of the Lord Go with You
by Charles Yannerella**

**The Postlude.....Hail Thee, Festival Day, setting by Michael Burkhardt
organist, Adleyn Scott**

The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him