



*All Saints' Day: November 1, 2020*

# Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

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Office Hours: The Church Office is closed with staff working remotely until further notice.

## Service Times

### SUNDAY

10:30 AM . . . . . HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

### WEDNESDAY

Noon . . . NOONDAY PRAYERS (VIA ZOOM)

## Lay Ministry

### 10:30 AM LECTOR

11/01: SUZANNE TAYLOR

### ACOLYTES

11/01: TBD

### ALTAR GUILD

11/01: LAURA FUNK, GEORGIANNA HARRISON,  
GAIL ROLSTON

### VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY

11/01: JOE BLEIER, DANA MEDFORD

11/08: JOHN-PAUL BALLARD, ELIZABETH TAYLOR

### CIRCLE OF CARE (WEEKLY)

ON HOLD UNTIL IN-PERSON MEETINGS RESUME

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER (WEEKLY)

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## Morsel for Meditation

“Without a vibrant and vital Christianity, America is doomed, and without America, the West is doomed. Which is why I, an Orthodox Jewish rabbi, devoted to Jewish survival, the Torah and Israel am so terrified of American Christianity caving in. Most of us Jews are ready to stand with you. But you must lead. You must replace your timidity with nerve, and your diffidence with daring and determination. You are under attack. Now is the time to resist it. Defense will be far harder down the road if we ignore the danger signals now.”

Rabbi Daniel Lapin, *A Rabbi's Warning to Christians* (December 28, 2017), <https://rabbidaniellapin.com/a-rabbis-warning-to-christians>.

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Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. George R. Sumner, *Bishop*

The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk, *Rector*

The Rev. Gordon Miltenberger, *Assisting Priest*

David Gish, *Music Director*

John Shasteen, *Organist*

Angela Dryer, *Parish Administrator*

# Order of Worship

## *Pray for the Church, the Body of Christ*

Please pray for those on our prayer list this week: Robb Horn, Dana Medford, Bill Rolston, Father Gordon, Dolores Miltenberger, Mike Lavigne, and Paula Reeves. We also pray for our Daughters of the King Ministry as they bring their strength and service together by praying for friends and for the people.

**Contact our church office to add a name to our prayer list.**

## *Stewardship Today*

“Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.”

*Book of Common Prayer, Page 329*

Frank E. McKee  
Stewardship Committee Chair

**October 25**

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BCP = Book of Common Prayer (black)

H= Hymnbook (red)

A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

## 10:30 — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

### Prelude

Processional Hymn . . . . . H #287

***For all the saints, who from their labors rest  
(Sine Nomine)***

Opening Sentence . . . . . BCP 355

*Gloria in excelsis* . . . . . H #S280

Collect. . . . . BCP 357

### The Lessons

First Reading . . . . . Revelation 7:9-17

Psalm . . . . . Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Epistle . . . . . I John 3:1-3

Gospel Hymn . . . . . H #561

***Stand up, stand up, for Jesus  
(Morning Light)***

Gospel . . . . . Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon . . . . . The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk

The Renewal of Baptism Vows . . . . . BCP 292

Prayers of the People (Form III) . . . . . BCP 359

The Confession. . . . . BCP 360

The Peace. . . . . BCP 360

### Announcements

### **Holy Communion**

Offertory . . . . . H #238

***Blessed feasts of blessed martyrs  
(Holy Manna)***

Offertory Anthem . . . . . A3 #221

***Doxology (Old 100th)***

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A) . . . . . BCP 361

*Sanctus* . . . . . H #S129

The Lord's Prayer . . . . . BCP 364

*Agnus Dei* . . . . . H #S157

The Presentation . . . . . BCP 362

### Communion Hymns

***Day by day (Summer)*** . . . . . H #654

***Sing Alleluia to the Lord*** . . . . . A3 #145

Post Communion Prayer . . . . . BCP 365

The Blessing & Dismissal . . . . . BCP 366

Recessional Hymn . . . . . H #618

***Ye watchers and ye holy ones  
(Lasst uns erfreuen)***

**All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.**

# Rector's Report

Greetings to the saints at St. Paul's,

Last Sunday we installed the incoming officers of the Daughters of the King (DOK), and inducted a new Daughter! The new officers are:

President - Suzanne Taylor  
Vice President - Elaine Hodge

Secretary - Dana Medford  
Treasurer - Elizabeth Porter

The newest member of the DOK is Rose Dodson. Congratulations to all!

At our local pastor's fellowship this week we discussed how our churches are doing ministry, and especially worship during corona-time. Some churches have never closed, some are not reopening until 2021. St. Paul's was somewhere in the middle, as from March 15 – May 31st and July 5th – September 6th, we only had online worship. All of us expressed concern about the growing needs of our community, and the lack of people and resources to meet these needs. Likewise, all those whose churches are open expressed concern about the lack of attendance at Sunday worship. At St. Paul's, we've been having about 40-50% of our normal Sunday attendance. One pastor commented, "Some people are not coming due to corona, and some due to 'I don't wanna.'" Whereas there are legitimate reasons to miss worship, I'm concerned that some may have become lackadaisical about attending Divine worship. Our periodic shutting down of worship (and threat thereof) has not helped to rebuild consistent worship attendance and Christian discipline. This follows Newton's first law of motion: an object at rest stays at rest and an object in motion stays in motion. We've been at rest for too long, and we need to get back into motion! Last Sunday I made the decision that we are NOT going to shut down in-person Sunday service anymore. If GUSD shuts down, per Diocesan policy, we will not have the Sunday service inside the church. However, we will have a Eucharist service outside (probably in the breezeway), and this complies with current Diocesan policy. We will continue to broadcast our online services for those who cannot attend in-person worship, and when GUSD is open, we will continue to worship inside the church building.

I mentioned on Sunday that since 2020 has been such a unique year, I'm considering burying a Time Capsule around Thanksgiving Day. If you're interested in this project, please let me know. I hope to elicit our school's participation in it too.

We have resumed in-person Children Chapel for the Pre-K children at 10 am on Wednesdays. If you'd like to participate, come on over. We are grateful that some of the high schoolers at Greenville Christian School came over and restrained our fence. They didn't charge us anything, as this was a way for them to give back to our community. The only things we (i.e. Frank McKee) provided were the stain and tools. The pictures are on St. Paul's Facebook page.

This Sunday our celebration of All Saints Day falls on the day that we change our clocks. Don't forget that we fall back one hour! See y'all on Sunday!

## Here's some other St. Paul's news for the week:

\*We have Morning Prayer on Wednesday at 10:30 (currently via Zoom).

\* Our Stewardship Committee has provided a QR code now appearing in our Sunday bulletin. The QR code will take you to the links on our church website for donating without having to handle money tactilely.

\*Since we're doing so much online our Google, YouTube, Facebook reviews are important. Please take a few moments to give us a 5-star review!

\*Our 10:30 Sunday service is available in-person, on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCmlrRFXbQF7CSAnFS8H9FA>), and Facebook (<https://facebook.com/stpaulsepiscopalgreenville>). Our recorded Sunday service is broadcast on the GEUS community Channel (Channel 34) on Wednesdays at 8 am and 6 pm. Previously recorded services may be accessed anytime on our Facebook and YouTube pages. The recorded sermons may be found on our website as MP3s.

\*Remote Eucharist continues, and a few parishioners are helping distribute the Eucharist to parishioners' homes on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please let the Rector know by email (i.e. [fathernickfunk@gmail.com](mailto:fathernickfunk@gmail.com)) if you'd like to receive the Holy Sacrament remotely.

\*The Parish office remains closed; however, we continue to check voicemails and emails regularly.

\*St. Paul's Zoom Meeting access may be found at <https://zoom.us/j/9037772020>. Our Meeting ID is: 903 777 2020. To call in, use one tap mobile: +13462487799,,9037772020# or to dial: +1 346 248 7799.

**Hospitalized, Rehab, or recovering at home:** Bill Rolston

