



## **The Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

**January 19, 2025  
Eight o'clock in the Morning**

### **WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH**

No matter who you are, no matter where you come from, and no matter where you are on the journey of life — you are welcome in this church.

We hope you will find Saint Paul's to be a place of refreshment and renewal, where you experience the presence of the risen Christ. We have been serving Christ in this location for over two hundred seventy years. The monuments in our church and the graves in our churchyard reflect the conflicts and complexities of our nation's and our city's history. While our building is old and beautiful, our mission is contemporary and forward moving. Here you will find a people very much connected with the questions and struggles of modern life and faith and of following the way of Jesus.

# TO ALL OUR VISITORS & GUESTS

## About Worship

If the liturgy (worship) of the Episcopal Church is unfamiliar, then we hope you will find this information helpful.

You are welcome in the Episcopal Church, and so the first and best resource we offer are your neighbors in the pews. Just say, "I'm visiting," and they will gladly help.

The worship of the Episcopal Church is rooted in the practices of ancient Christianity. The structure of our services, the architecture of our building, the music, our physical postures, and participatory responses ALL hold rich meaning about our beliefs and are intentional expressions of our relationship with God.

- In this bulletin you will find:

***Responses spoken by the people are printed in bold italics.***

*Directions for the people are printed in italics.*

- We encourage families with children to sit at the front of the Nave so that children can easily see and hear the liturgy. We are delighted to offer activity bags for families to help keep little hands busy and engaged during worship services. Feel free to pick one up at the entrance!
- Episcopalians customarily pray either standing or kneeling, so please do what you find most comfortable.
- Notify an usher if you require an assisted listening device or any other assistance.
- Restrooms are located in the parish hall. An usher will direct you.

## About Receiving The Holy Communion

ALL who come in faith are invited to receive Holy Communion at Saint Paul's.

- During communion, the people form two short lines in the center aisle, sorting themselves according to how they would like to receive. Those who come to the "pulpit side" (east) will be given bread and offered a common cup of wine from which to drink. There is no intincting/dipping on the pulpit side of the altar rail. For those on the lectern side (west, the big eagle), the minister will dip the bread in the wine for the people, and offer a piece of bread that has already been "intincted." All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please, no one may dip their own bread in the wine.
- For those who may prefer not to receive communion at the main altar, a communion station is provided on the main floor to the right of the center aisle. Here, the minister will dip the bread in the wine for you. If you are unable to receive at either station, the clergy will bring the bread and wine to your pew. Please notify an usher before the service begins.
- To receive a blessing without receiving Communion, cross both arms over your chest, palms on your collar.
- If your children are in the nursery, you are invited to bring them to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

## Connect with Us

We invite you to share your contact information on a connect card, located in each pew. Hand it to one of our clergy after church. Please feel free to fill out as much or as little information as you'd like so we can connect with you.

# Celebration of The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

## The Word of God

**Our Service Begins in the Book of Common Prayer**

**The Opening Acclamation**

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*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity**

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**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that thy people, illumined by thy Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Old Testament Reading**

**Isaiah 62:1-5**

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.  
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,  
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;  
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,  
and your land Married;  
for the LORD delights in you,  
and your land shall be married.  
For as a young man marries a young woman,  
so shall your builder marry you,  
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,  
so shall your God rejoice over you.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

- 5 Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, \*  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 ***Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep; \*  
you save both man and beast, O LORD.***
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! \*  
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 ***They feast upon the abundance of your house; \*  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.***
- 9 For with you is the well of life, \*  
and in your light we see light.
- 10 ***Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \*  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.***

**The Second Reading****1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

**The Holy Gospel****John 2:1-11**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* ***Glory be to thee, O Lord.***

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take

it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People* ***Praise be to thee, O Christ.***

<b>The Sermon</b>	<b>The Reverend Kimberly E. Dunn</b>
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*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Parish Greetings & Announcements**

## **The Holy Communion**

**Offertory Sentence**

**Presentation of the Offering**

*Celebrant* All things come of thee, O Lord.  
*People* ***And of Thine own have we given Thee.***

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**The Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

## PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

***For the special needs and concerns of this congregation;*** especially, Gayle Jolley, Samm Fusselle, Ricie Eubanks, Keisha Seals, Katie Delaigle, Robin Merriman, Ann Kilpatrick, Ben Mason, Anne Way, Sandy, Lois Hand, Jan-Blaise MacEachern, Bob Crosby, Cee Cee, Gail, Ron Carrne, Aggie MacEachern, Brian Williams, Mary Catherine Hurrion, Ernest Fokes, Joseph Cristie, Linda Carrne.

***For those serving our country at home and abroad;*** especially, Sam and Lara Powell, Joe Way, Jim Ring, Bennett Ivey, Isaac Mikell.

***For those who have died; especially, Fred Edeburn.***

## THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR THIS SUNDAY

The flowers on the altar are given by Jim Hancock to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birthday of his daughter, Katrina Hancock and for the birth of his great nephew, James Houghton Duke.

They were arranged by the Flower Guild.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Following this service at 9:00 AM,*** coffee and continental breakfast in Tyler Hall. ***Then at 9:30 AM in the Berlin Room, the Vestry and Finance Committee will present a draft 2025 budget for discussion at the Sunday Forum in the Berlin Room, 9:30 AM.*** The vestry will approve a budget for 2025 at their regularly scheduled meeting on January 20. Unless the final budget approved on January 20 differs significantly from the draft presented on January 19, this Forum session will serve as our formal presentation of the budget for the year. Our budgets are a reflection of what we value and how we put our faith into practice together. Please join us for this important conversation.

***5:30 PM —EYC (Episcopal Youth Community, grades 6-12)*** will gather this Sunday in the Youth Room for our first EYC of the year: Movie Night and dinner.

***5:30 PM tonight EYC Parent and Youth Volunteer Meeting***—Please join Aubrey Hinkson, Director of Children & Youth Ministries, at a gathering in Tyler Hall to discuss our spring programming and how you can engage with our growing program. ***Also please note the date for the Children’s Parent and Volunteer Meeting - Sunday, February 2, 12:30 PM.*** Food provided so be sure to RSVP [ahinkson@saintpauls.org](mailto:ahinkson@saintpauls.org).

***6 PM Candlelight Communion at Springfield Baptist Church***— This Martin Luther King, Jr. Day weekend, Saint Paul’s is honored to have received an invitation to join our friends again at Springfield Baptist Church for their Candlelight Communion service. The service will be at Springfield Baptist (114 12th St., the corner of Reynolds and 12th) at 6:00 PM tonight. We will offer Celtic Communion & Prayer at Saint Paul’s at 5:30 PM.

***The Parish Office will be closed, Monday, January 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.***

***Tuesday’s Music Live continues its 36th season Tuesday, January 21, with a free concert by Joshua Espinoza Jazz Trio.*** More information at [TuesdaysMusicLive.com](http://TuesdaysMusicLive.com) or by calling the Box Office at (706) 722-3463.

***Caring Prayer gathers in the chapel on the fourth Thursday of each month at 3:30 PM (This month January 23.)*** The group is for caregivers, anyone who is mourning, lives with chronic illness, has lost their job, or faces any kind of challenge that might be helped by love and prayer. Contact Fr. Eric for more information at [ebiddy@saintpauls.org](mailto:ebiddy@saintpauls.org).

**Snack Pack Outreach, Two Ways to Help: donate items for our snack packs and/or help us pack bags Saturday, January 25, 9:00 AM in Tyler Hall.** Snack Packs are small bags of food containing some type of protein, cracker, water, etc., to help sustain someone until their next meal. More details including a shopping list available in the Narthex. Contact Mandy Harmon (msamandajoy27@hotmail.com) or Melissa Friedman (friedmanme2@gmail.com) for more information.

**The Annual Parish Meeting for the 275<sup>th</sup> year of Saint Paul's Church is Sunday, January 26, at 9:30 AM.** As we enter a year of celebrating 275 years of worship and ministry together, this year's Annual Parish Meeting is a chance to honor several parishioners who have recently concluded long terms of leadership in our ministries and committees. Join us to hear crucial reports and plans for this year and to thank Minta Nixon (Linen Guild), Monty Osteen (Finance Committee), and Carolyn Dolen (Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors) for their decades of faithful leadership among us. We'll have biscuits, coffee, hope, and gratitude in the River Room.

**MLK Jr. Parade RESCHEDULED— Episcopal Churches in the Augusta area are marching with Bishop Logue in the MLK Jr. Day Parade Saturday, February 1, 1 PM.** Join us for a sign making party in advance of the event in Tyler Hall at 9 AM. Buona Caffe coffee and pastries will be provided. Parade line up begins at 11 AM. Let us know if you'll be joining us by signing up on the website (a direct link is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*.)

**You are invited to join Saint Paul's parishioners, family, and friends on a mission trip this summer to Ecuador June 5-16, 2025. This would include a 4-day retreat to the Galapagos Islands.** An information sheet is available in the *Weekly Postings*. If you would like additional information about Quito, Ecuador, the mission work, and trip details, please contact Gene or Rose Helmich at ehelmich21@comcast.net, or call 803-640-3405. The deadline to join the trip is January 31, 2025.

**Martha Arrington, artist and Saint Paul's parishioner, offers two Zentangle Workshops in the Berlin Room this February.** Zentangle is an easy-to-learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing patterns. Anyone, young or old, can create a Zentangle drawing if they can write their name. Two classes available: February 1st (Zentangle Reversed) or February 22nd (Zentangle Renaissance). Contact Martha Arrington (marthaarringtonart@gmail.com) for class descriptions and cost.



**SAVE THE DATE: February 16th, Saint Paul's youth are proud to present the Winter Family Dance.** Children 3k-5th grade are encouraged to attend with a loved one. The proceeds from this event will go to support our youth for upcoming retreats and missions. Reserve a ticket, \$16 each using the QR code to the right (a direct link is also available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*).

**We are excited to introduce Saint Paul's Pod,** a weekly podcast where faith is nurtured, and the love of God is shared with all. Each episode will feature the previous Sunday's sermon and words of encouragement and inspiration. Tune into Saint Paul's Pod on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music and iHeartRadio.

**New Outreach Ministry—You will find a LARGE Blue Bin in Tyler Hall for your donations to Goodwill.** As you begin spring cleaning, we invite you to share your donations to Goodwill using this new bin.

**More information about these announcements** and other events is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*, including registration and contact information. A copy is available in the Narthex and on our website; or join our email list by signing up on the website or contacting the parish administrator, at mailbox@saintpauls.org.

**Make a gift—“All that we are and all that we have comes from God. In gratitude, we honor him by giving of ourselves and our gifts to care for his world.”** Gifts can be made using the QR Code to the right, on-line at saintpauls.org/giving, or by mail to Saint Paul's Church, 605 Reynolds St., Augusta, GA 30901. Thank you for your generosity.



## SERVING TODAY

The Reverend Kimberly E. Dunn  
Stan Taylor  
Nancy Trefz, Ian McQueen, Mary Lynn Ford, Barbara Coleman  
Erick Montgomery

Celebrant and Preacher  
Eucharistic Minister  
Altar Guild  
Vestry Person of the Day

## VESTRY

Kitty Gordon, Sr. Warden  
Bryan Hawkins, Chancellor

Erick Montgomery, Jr. Warden  
Julie Badger, Clerk of the Vestry

Will Rice, Treasurer

### Vestry Term Expires 2025

Bryan Hawkins  
Ian McQueen  
Rex Teeslink

### Vestry Term Expires 2026

Stacy Nuessle  
Charlie Tudor  
Mary Porter Vann

### Vestry Term Expires 2027

Kathleen Chandler  
Patsy Davis  
Melissa Friedman

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Altar Guild – Catherine Stuckey  
Buildings and Grounds – John Robertson  
Daughters of the King – Suzanne Pursley-Crotteau  
Eucharistic Visitors – Ellen Nesbitt  
Facebook – Stacy Nuessle & Aubrey Hinkson  
Flower Delivery – Barbara Register & Margaret Scott Penix  
Hospitality and Parish Life – Eric Friedman  
Invite, Welcome, Connect – Patsy Davis  
Linen Guild – Tricia Nixon  
Nursery Grandmother’s Guild – Coleman Graham  
Pastoral Care Ministry – Ellen Nesbitt  
Ushers – Nick Uros & Rex Teeslink

Acolytes – Meg & Donald Horton  
Creation Care – in transition  
Endowment – Monty Osteen  
Finance – Cameron Nixon  
Flower Guild – Barbara Register & Laurie Montgomery  
History – in transition  
Interior Design – Julie Badger  
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers – Robin Merriman  
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