



St. Paul's  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
FOUNDED IN 1827

February 16, 2025 - 8:45 am & 11:00 am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II  
The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany  
THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude**

8:45: *I Know My Redeemer Liveth* from Messiah- G.F. Handel (Derek Pell and Holli Scholz)  
11:00: *Chaconne*- J. Fischer (1670-1746)

**Processional Hymn:** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

H-423

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, thy great Name we praise.*

*Unresting, unbounding, and silent as light,  
Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish, like leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish; but nought changeth thee.*

*Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All laud we would render: O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **BCP, p. 355**

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

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you... Through Christ our Lord

**People** **Amen.**

**Gloria:**

S-280

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The First Lesson:

### Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse-- who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 1 (8:45: spoken responsively, 11:00: sung by Adult Choir)

BCP, p. 585

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

**2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*  
and they meditate on his law day and night.**

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
everything they do shall prosper.

**4 It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

**6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

## The Second Reading:

### 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

*(During the singing of the Gospel Hymn, a wooden cross will be carried down the center aisle.  
Children are invited to follow it to Children's chapel.  
Children will rejoin their family at the Peace.)*

**Gospel Hymn: Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word**

**H-440**

*Blessed Jesus, at thy word we are gathered all to hear thee;  
Let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee;  
By thy teachings pure and holy, drawn from earth to love thee solely.*

*All our knowledge, sense, and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded,  
Till thy Spirit breaks our night with the beams of truth unclouded;  
Thou alone to God canst win us; thou must work all good within us.*

*Gracious Lord, thyself impart! Light of Light, from God proceeding,  
Open thou our ears and heart, help us by thy Spirit's pleading,  
Hear the cry thy church upraises; hear, and bless our prayers and praises.*

**The Holy Gospel:**

**Luke 6:17-26**

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke.

**People** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**The Reverend Monna Mayhall**

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP, p. 358**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the People: Form IV**

**BCP, p. 388**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Leader:* Lord, in your mercy. *People:* **Hear our prayer.**

## Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 360

*Celebrant says:*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*(Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Anthem:** *Balm in Gilead*- traditional Spiritual, arr. Dawson

Choir Version:

Tenor starts on text: *There is a balm* Alto: *Oo oo oo Gilead, to make the wounded whole.*  
*There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.*

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*There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.*

Choir on OOOOO

Solo: *Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my works in vain,*  
*But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.*

SATB: *There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,*  
*There is a balm, oo oo etc.*

Choir on OOOOO

Solo: *If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,*  
*You can tell the love of Jesus, and say he died for all.*

SATB: *There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole, Oh,*  
*There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.*

Choir on OOOOO

Solo: *There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,*  
*There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul.*

**Presentation Hymn:** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

H-376, vs 1 and 3

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!*

*Always giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, all who live in love are thine;  
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.*

**The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A**

BCP, p. 361

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus** (*Sung*)

S-130

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

...And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP, p. 364

**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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem:** (*Sung*) **Christ our Passover**

S-154

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.  
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

**Music During Communion:**

8:45: *You Shall Cross the Barren Desert*- Bob Dufford  
*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*- traditional Spiritual  
11:00: *Day by Day*- Mark Schweizer

*We invite all who seek God, and are drawn to Christ by the Spirit, to join us at this Table.  
If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and we will serve you in your pew.  
To receive a gluten-free host, extend hands, crossed, palms down at the communion rail.*

**The Prayer after Communion**

BCP, p. 366

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn:** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

H-544, vs, 1-2, 4-5

*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun doth his successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.*

*To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;  
His name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice.*

*Blessings abound where e'er he reigns: the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
The weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.*

*Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.*

**Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**Postlude**

8:45: *Day by Day*- Stephen Schwartz

11:00: *Voluntary*- W. Boyce

## St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, *Bishop*

The Reverend W. R. "Rusty" McCown, *Rector*

The Reverend Monna Mayhall, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Ann Van Dervoort, *Assisting Priest, Retired*

Donna Stokes-Rogers, *Music Minister* • Holli Scholz, *Organist*

Libby Sullivan, *Children's Minister* • Brett Smith, *Youth Minister*

Kristy Moore, *Finance Manager* • Shannon Buttrey, *Parish Administrator*

Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager* • Rachel Shoaf, *Nursery Coordinator*

**BIRTHDAYS:** **Sunday:** Granville Grant, Debbie Whitlock, Scarlett Schmitt **Monday:** Brent Blackwelder **Tuesday:** Richard Phillips, Margen Laratta, Abe Lamb, Celia Gibson **Wednesday:** Beth Woodruff **Thursday:** Freda Garrett, Linley Williams **Friday:** Robbi De Peri, Colin Henry, Jay Fahey, Brooke Zegley, Maggie Hennes **Saturday:** Bonnie Sullivan, Marty Karpie, Olivia Cussimanio, Elizabeth Vaughn-Neely, Henry Konyn

**ANNIVERSARIES:** **Sunday:** Janet and Kit Carroll

<b>PARTICIPANTS:</b>	<b>8:45 am</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
Ushers:	Greer Carlisle	Cassy Gilchrist
Usher:	Ellen Kirk	Rudy Gilchrist
Chalice Bearer:	Becky Gengler	John Bennet Waters
Chalice Bearer:	Mike Gengler	Daniel Alvarado
1 <sup>st</sup> Reader:	Cyndy Howes	Cindy Tumblin
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader:	Ellen Kirk	Rick Leet
Prayers:	Billy Anderson	Elizabeth Tyer
Crucifer:	Katie Faulkner	Andy Peterson
Torch Bearer:	Garner Spain	Forrest Latta
Torch Bearer:	Sophie Spain	
Altar Guild:	Laura McCown	Karen Montefiori
Altar Guild:	*	Phyllis Thompson
Vestry Person of the Day:	Mindy Boggs	
Musicians:	Derek Pell, violin Kent Burnside, guitar	

### St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Henrietta Hobdy, Alex Wilkerson, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Sarah Lauricella, Robyn Painter, Jim Lauricella, Dean Bose, Eliot Williams, Joy Craig, Lois Nagy, Jim Gray, Judy Phelps, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, John Nickerson, Phyllis Gray, Sharon Crumpton, Mary Suttle, John Looney, Andy McKinley, Bob Carpenter, Kathy Miller, Cheryl Russell, Celia Skaggs, Bob Van Dervoort, Beth Sheller, Karen Austin, Iain Macpherson, April Wellikoff, Cassy, Michael, Martha, Fred, Meg and Fulton, Reed, Ethan, Gray, Kathy, Tamara, Meg, Veronia, Richard, Alister, Janie and Tom, Bob, Jim, Carol, Susan, Katie, Colton, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, JoAnn, Linda, Brittain and Strider, Beverly, Suzanne, Robin, Debbie, Pat, Kay, Mackenzie, Sara, Benji, Sam, Brad, Victoria, Michael, Stanton, Candace, Bill & Judy, Kortnie, Jack, Wendi and Steve, David, Sara, Smith, Julie, Rita, Jim, Mickey, April, Bill, Leda, Lance, and Ella

### **Military**

Currently deployed: Danny, Nick, Billy, and Jacob

Currently serving in the Armed Forces: Tyler, Ryan, Leelee, Michael, Drew, Lee, Emily, Larry, Roy, Amanda, Zach, and Jake



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## TODAY – February 16, 2025

Holy Eucharist at 7:30, 8:45, 11:00, & 6:00

9:45 -10:00	<b>Biscuit Minute</b> in Founders Hall and Barnabas
10:00	<b>Adult Christian Formation</b> only
10:00	<b>Youth Confirmation Classes</b> in Barnabas Conf Room
12:00	<b>Coffee Minute</b> in Founders Hall
12:30	<b>Ephesians Brown Bag Bible Study</b> in Barnabas
5:00-7:00	<b>No EYG this week;</b> will resume next Sunday

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## UPCOMING EVENT DATES

### February

28-1 Vestry Retreat

### March

4 Pancake Supper  
5 Ash Wednesday  
11, 18 & 25 Lenten Series

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



### Food Pantry List

*Please consider donating this week, our pantry is low!*

### Christian Formation Classes • Sundays • 10:00

Adult Formation • Founders Hall • Feb 16 & 23

**Angels and The Bible:** Today, angels are often depicted as sweet, gentle, humanlike figures with wings and harps. But The Bible does not necessarily describe them in this manner. They are different beings, depending on the situation. Above all, angels are messengers for God, an intermediary between humans and The Almighty. During this two-week class, we will look at angels depicted in both the Old and New Testaments to learn better their role in God's salvation story.

No Youth Formation this week • Next date: Feb 23

Got Questions? Let's explore them together! This month we'll continue our discussion about the Trinity and the Nicene Creed.

No Children Formation this week • Godly Play • Barnabas • Resumes Feb 23

Youth Confirmation Classes • Sunday • Barnabas • 10:00



Youth Confirmation Classes are open to students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade or older and will be led by Jay Fahey. The class will meet for 10 sessions this semester until Confirmation on May 25. Classes have begun but it's not too late to join! RSVP to [brett@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:brett@stpaulsfranklin.com).

### Seekers Class 2025 • Sundays beginning March 2

Beginning Sunday, March 2 our annual "Seekers" Class will begin. This is the class traditionally offered for those adults who wish to join the church through Confirmation or Reception. However, please know that all are welcome, especially current congregants of St. Paul's who would like a refresher course. We will look at church subjects such as worship, church history, and Episcopal theology. The course will last for eight sessions, with a couple Sundays off for various reasons. Our last class will be on May 4. The diocesan bishop will then make his annual visit to St. Paul's for Confirmation on May 25. We will meet each Sunday at 10:00 in our Barnabas annex conference room which is the building located behind the church on Fair St. If you have any questions please contact Rusty via email: [rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com) or by phone at 615-790-0527.

## Churchwide Events

### Annual Pancake Supper • March 4 • 5:30 and 6:30 PM • Barnabas

The Youth of St. Paul's invite you to the Annual Pancake Supper on March 4! There are two seatings at 5:30 and 6:30 PM. You can also pre-order from our Take Home menu! RSVP, pre-order, and Sign Up to donate food or volunteer here: [bit.ly/EYGPancakeSupper](https://bit.ly/EYGPancakeSupper)

### Gathering for Good • Nashville Sounds Game • Evening of Wed, May 7

How good does an evening outside sound right now? Bring the whole family and join us at First Horizon Park on Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> to see the Nashville Sounds take on the Norfolk Tides! Tickets are \$20 per person, and you can reserve your seats by emailing [libby@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:libby@stpaulsfranklin.com). We hope to see you there!

## Parish Life

### Grief Support Group • Wed, Feb 19 and Wed, Mar 5 & 19 • 9-10 am or 6-7 pm • Barnabas

Loss comes in all shapes and sizes. Grief of any kind can feel very lonely, even when you have loved ones around. Sharing your sorrow with others who have experienced similar losses can help. The pain of grief can often cause you to want to withdraw from others and retreat into your shell. But having the face-to-face support of other people is vital to healing from loss. The key is not to isolate yourself. St. Paul's offers a morning Grief Support Group, as well as an evening one on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com)

### EYG • February 23 • 5:00-7:00 PM • Barnabas

Classic EYG! Dinner, Fellowship, Fun, and some Pancake Supper Prep!

### Young Adults Dinner Party • February 21 • 7:00 PM • 301 Megan Court

Join us for a dinner party at the home of Josh and Brett Smith! Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. RSVP to [brett@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:brett@stpaulsfranklin.com)!

### Women In Theological Studies • Thursdays • Barnabas • 9:30-11:00

WITS will begin a book study on "Freeing Jesus," by Diana Butler Bass. Freeing Jesus is an invitation to leave the religious wars behind and rediscover Jesus in all his many manifestations, to experience Jesus beyond the narrow confines we have built around him. If you want a book, contact Monna. Questions? Contact Monna Mayhall at [monna@stpaulsfranklin.com](mailto:monna@stpaulsfranklin.com) or 615-790-0527. (NO WITS Feb 27) **Feb 20** – Intro and Chapter 1 – Jesus as Friend; **Mar 6** – Chapter 2 – Jesus as Teacher; **Mar 13** – Chapter 3 – Jesus as Savior; **Mar 20** – Chapter 4 – Jesus as Lord

### Coffee Club • Wednesdays • Barnabas • 6:45 am

The men's Coffee Club meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:45 am in the Barnabas "board room" to discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel. All men of the parish are invited. We look forward to seeing you.

### Bad Girls' Book Club • Tuesday • Feb 25 • Barnabas • 6:30-8:00

The Bad Girls Book Club will meet again this month. We will discuss The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell: a Novel by Robert Dugoni. Please bring a light appetizer and/or a drink to share.

### Spring Street • Thursday • Feb 27 • Barnabas

Our February Spring Street gathering will honor Black History Month by making a meaningful decoration and having a special lunch together. If you have any questions, please text or email Jackie King. [momking2nd@yahoo.com](mailto:momking2nd@yahoo.com) or call 914-329-3017. Volunteer here: <https://bit.ly/SpringStFeb2025>

### Women of St. Paul's Social • Save the Date • Fri, March 28 • 6:00

Please join us for the first WSP Social to be held at the home of Cindy Howes.

### Vacation Bible School • Save the Date • June 9-12 • 9:00-12:00

Save the Date for St. Paul's Week of Wonder at Jim Warren Park! We will gather to play, sing, and share stories in God's Creation at the covered pavilion. The whole church is invited to a potluck dinner and celebration on Thursday, June 12th from 5:30-7. We hope to see you there!

## Outreach

### Birthday Outreach Ministry • 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of Every Month

If you like a party, and if you have a heart for visiting people, then we have an opportunity for you that combines the two. Join parishioners to visit Charter Senior Living of Franklin, to celebrate the birthdays of the Charter residents for that month. We will plan to meet there from 12:30-1:30 pm giving us a chance to visit with residents, and eat cake too! If you are interested, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

## General Announcements

### WSP Flower & Fern Sale • Orders Due March 1 • Delivery Date April 12

It's time to collect & place your orders for the Flower and Fern Sale. Mail or drop off orders & checks: WSP Flowers C/O Cindy Tumblin, 425 Crofton Park Lane, Franklin, TN 37069; order forms can be found on St. Paul's website.

Coordination/General questions? Cassy Gilchrist 615-957-7020

### Absalom Jones Service • Sun, Feb 23 • 3:00 • Christ Church Cathedral

Please join us in celebrating Absalom Jones, the founder of the first Black Episcopal congregation in the United States in 1794. He was the first African American to be ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church of the United States and is listed on the Episcopal calendar of saints.

### Blind-Date-With-Book

Check out the new Blind-Date-With-Book selection in the Corner Gift Shop. Wrapped books (No titles!) with little treats will guarantee a cozy evening at home with a delightful story, a cup of tea, and a variety of book accessories. Best blind date ever! Consider giving one as a gift to another book lover. We offer a variety of fiction and non-fiction, children's books, and coming soon- cookbooks!