

St. Paul's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

**EIGHTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

The Rev. Dr. James Weldon, Jr., Celebrant
The Rev. Dr. Erica Riddernan, Homilist

**HOLY BAPTISM
10:00 A.M. SERVICE
JULY 19, 2026**

Prelude

Please stand as you are able.

The Processional Hymn

"A mighty fortress is our God"

Carol Yeargin, Organist

The Hymnal 1982 #688
Ein feste Burg

The Word of God

The Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 299

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Celebrant then continues

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit.
People ***There is one hope in God's call to us.***
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.
People ***One God and Father of all.***

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Please be seated.

Children's Processional

"All things bright and beautiful" (v. 1)
Children's Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade.

The Hymnal 1982 #405
Royal Oak

The First Reading

Genesis 28:10-19a

A Reading from Genesis.

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***



- 6 Where can I go then from your / Spirit? *
where can I flee from your / presence?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are / there; *
if I make the grave my bed, you are there / also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the / morning *
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the / sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will / lead me *
and your right hand hold me / fast.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will / cover me, *
and the light around me turn to / night,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you;
the night is as bright as the / day; *
darkness and light to you are both a / like.
- 22 Search me out, O God, and know my / heart; *
try me and know my restless / thoughts.
- 23 Look well whether there be any wickedness in / me *
and lead me in the way that is ever / lasting.

The Second Reading

Romans 8:12-25

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

The Gradual Hymn

"We know that Christ is raised and dies no more"

*The Hymnal 1982 #296
Engelberg*

The Gospel

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!"

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

People remain standing until the homilist invites all to be seated.

The Homily

The Rev. Dr. Erica Riddeman, Deacon

A moment of silence follows the homily.

Procession to the Font

Baptismal Candidates, Parents, Sponsors, and Ministers process to the Font.

Ryan Philip Goldenstein - Parents: Gregory & Gina Goldenstein, Godparents: Erin Nappi and Aimee Campbell
Wes Core Hillenbrand - Parents: Tyler and Amanda Hillenbrand, Godparents: Cody and Jillian Haviach
Alexander Simpson - Godparent: Carole Novick

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates for Baptism

BCP 301

The Baptismal Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Adults and Older Children

The Candidates who are able to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Sponsors, as follows

Sponsor I present N. to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks each Candidate when presented

Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Infants and Younger Children

Then the Candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented, the Baptismal Celebrant asks the Parents and Godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Baptismal Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Baptismal Celebrant then asks the Candidates, and the Parents and Godparents

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer *I renounce them.*

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer *I do.*

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer *I do.*

The Baptismal Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?
People **We will.**

The Baptismal Celebrant then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Please stand as you are able.

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP 304

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidates

The Baptismal Celebrant then says to the Congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Baptismal Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptismal Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Baptismal Celebrant says

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Baptismal Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Baptism

BCP 307

The Candidate is presented by name to the Baptismal Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then pours water upon the Candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen.***

When this action has been completed, the Baptismal Celebrant, at a place in full sight of the Congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. ***Amen.***

Procession to the Altar

The Procession, including the ministers, the newly baptized, and their sponsors, returns to the altar. Then the Celebrant places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross with a Chrism and saying

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. ***Amen.***

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

Please be seated.

Welcome, Announcements, & Offertory Sentence

If you would like to donate online, follow the QR code found here or on the giving card in the back of the pews. At the end of the announcements, you are also welcome to come forward to make a special donation to Heifer International, a non-profit organization whose mission is to end hunger and poverty, to mark an anniversary, blessing, or other event.



The Holy Communion

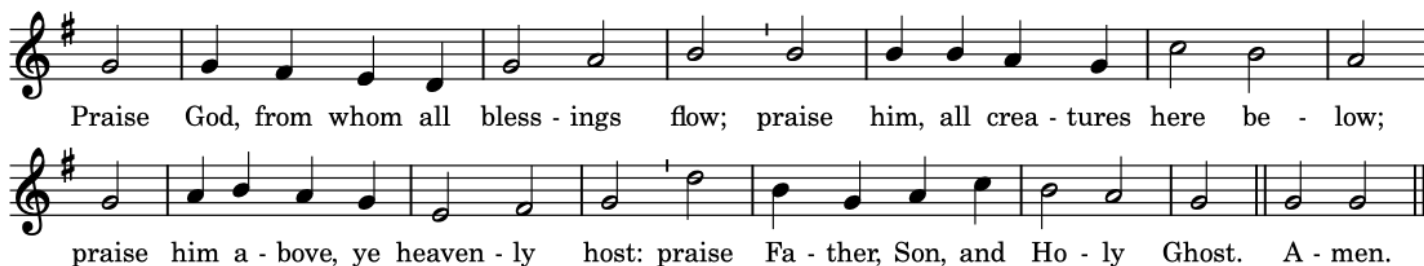
The Offertory

Carol Yeargin, Organist

Please stand as you are able while the offering is presented.

The Offertory Response: The Doxology

Old 100th



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low;
praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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.

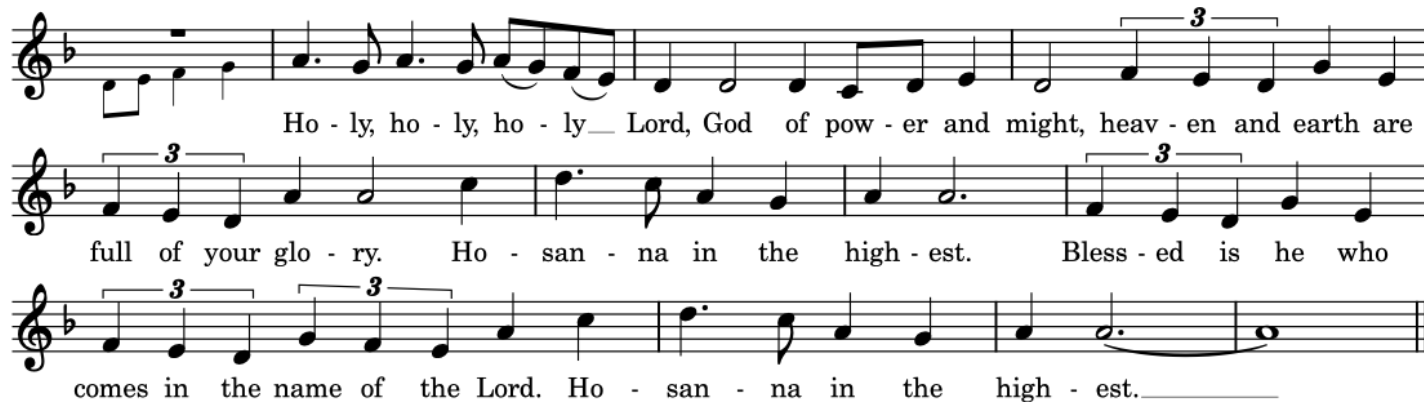
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

The Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy

The Hymnal 1982 #S129



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant then continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

People and Celebrant

**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,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Anthem: O Lamb of God

The Hymnal 1982 #S163

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on__ us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on__ us.

Lamb of God__ you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Presentation & Invitation

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to come forward for Communion, including children. Please follow the ushers' guidance as you come to the rail. If you would like a gluten-free host, extend your hands palms down. If you would like to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup), keep the bread in your hands and wait for the communion server to come to you with a pottery chalice. If you would like to drink from the chalice directly, please consume the bread first and a communion server will offer you the silver chalice (common cup). If it is not your custom to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest and a priest will offer a blessing or a deacon will offer a prayer. A person may be available to provide prayers for healing in the back southwest corner of the church. Simply head to the back during communion distribution and wait for your turn.

Music During Communion

"My God, thy table now is spread"

The Hymnal 1982 #321

Rockingham

"Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face"

The Hymnal 1982 #318

Nyack

"My faith looks up to thee"

The Hymnal 1982 #671

Olivet

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

The Post-Communion Prayer

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Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Please stand as you are able.

The Retiring Processional

"O God, our help in ages past"

The Hymnal 1982 #680

St. Anne

The Dismissal

BCP 366

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Carol Yeargin, Organist

The Altar Flowers are offered to the glory of God and in celebration of the Johnson-Cummings family.

GENERAL INFORMATION

New to St. Paul's? Welcome! Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Connecting Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat and find materials that might help if you are new to St. Paul's or The Episcopal Church. Join a tour of our campus today after the 10 a.m. service to learn more and meet others. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to find out more about us!

Kids in Worship at St. Paul's: Children are always welcome in our worship services without exception, but if parents should wish for a space where your kids have more room to move around during the service, you are welcome to make use of the Comfort Room (glassed-in room at the rear of the worship space from which you can still hear and see the service). Ask an usher if you need help finding it. Also, our Kids' Club (free nursery care) is available during the 10 a.m. service, and infants/toddlers through 36 months (3 years old) are welcome to attend.

Accessibility: St. Paul's strives to make our services and programs comfortable and accessible to all. Ushers and Greeters are available to help. Please let us know how we can work together to improve your experience here.

Please wear your nametags when you're here at church! And if you don't yet have a nametag, please complete an order form in the narthex (lobby) so we can get you one!

HAPPENING TODAY – JULY 19, 2026

Welcome the Newly Baptized: A very special welcome to those baptized at the 10 a.m. service today: Ryan Philip Goldenstein, parents Gregory and Gina Goldenstein; Wes Core Hillenbrand, parents Tyler and Amanda Hillenbrand; and Alexander Simpson, grandmother Carole Novick.

Children's Chapel: Children 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the 10 a.m. service and will return to their families during announcements.

Newcomer Tour: Those new or newly returned to St. Paul's who wish to know more can join a tour of our campus this morning after the 10 a.m. service. No sign up is necessary; meet at the welcome area in the narthex (lobby).

Favorite Hymn Discussion: During summer, members of the clergy or staff will lead a 20-minute discussion on one of the hymns included in Sunday's liturgy. Today, Fr. Jay will lead the discussion in the parish hall, which will begin 15 minutes after the conclusion of the service.

Popsicles and Parables: All children are invited to the playground to hear a Bible story, eat popsicles, and enjoy time to play! We'll meet after the 10 a.m. service on the playground.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Schedule Continues Through Sept. 6: Services are 8 a.m. (Rite I) and 10 a.m. (Rite II) through Sept. 6.

NO Chipotle Bible Study on Wed, July 22: Deacon Erica has a conflict and can't meet this Wednesday for Bible Study; however, we will resume the following week on July 29! Middle schoolers meet 5:30-6:30 p.m., and high schoolers meet 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Chipotle (100 Wrenn Dr. in Cary).

Fun Prep Sessions for Vacation Bible Camp (VBC): Join our VBC coordinators in the parish hall after today's hymn discussion (noon?) as we have fun making decorations for #KidsConnect next week. Can't stay today? Other prep sessions are scheduled for Friday, July 24 from 1-4 p.m. and again next Sunday – bring a brown bag lunch/snack if you'd like. Check out the poster in the narthex for details about all things VBC! We've added a few last-minute things to the Amazon Wishlist, so you can still make a difference by donating items as well.

"Brighter Days Ahead" Fundraiser: Help us make an immediate impact, making our spaces more welcoming and inviting this summer by donating to the Brighter Days Ahead project. Every donation toward our \$30,000 goal will help refresh our most-used spaces, brighten our walls, and care well for the spaces God has entrusted to us. If you have walked through the narthex, met in the Youth Wing, or gathered in one of our offices, you will appreciate the importance of caring for these spaces. Learn more online and donate by July 31 so we can complete this work before September!

ONE Wake Affordable Housing Group: ONE Wake is working with folks directly impacted by the rising cost of housing in our area, seeking input and stories about how the pressure is affecting individuals and forcing them to make tough choices about where to live. If you (or someone you know) are struggling to stay here and fear being priced out, please contact ONE Wake Strategy Team member Mary Kintz (mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org) and consider becoming part of our discussion group. ONE Wake wants directly impacted people to be at the table with housing planners. Let's raise our voices together!

We Will Dwell in Safety - A Day of Prayer and Action: Faith leaders from across the area are joining together for "We Will Dwell in Safety," a day of prayer and action, on Saturday, Aug. 8 beginning at 10 a.m. at Halifax Mall in Raleigh. Join us as we pray for the safety of all North Carolinians, inviting law enforcement officials into prayerful reflection on their great responsibility for public safety. This action is a response to the passage of SB153, a law that requires state law enforcement agencies, like the Highway Patrol, to collaborate with immigration enforcement. How officers will be trained to enforce the law remains unclear, but it is a new burden on an already strained resource in law enforcement. SiembraNC and a coalition of churches across NC feel that solidarity through prayer is a first step in keeping us all safe. St. Paul's is organizing a group carpool/meet up for this event; please contact Lynn Tovar Tovar (lztovar@uwalumni.com) if you would like to know more.

Racial Justice Pilgrimage Information Session: Join the Racial Justice Planning Group on Sunday, Aug. 9 at 11:30 a.m. as we discuss a three-year pilgrimage cycle to important sites in our denominational and national history. We will gather in the chapel to gauge interest in justice-focused pilgrimages to Richmond, VA in 2027; Washington, DC in 2028; and Montgomery, AL in 2029. Attending these sessions does not commit you to participating but will help us gauge interest as we begin planning. Signing up in advance for the meeting is appreciated but not necessary (link on the St. Paul's website). RJPG is grateful to the St. Paul's Endowment for financial support as we prepare this new formational and community-building offering.

Help us Pick Hymns this Summer: We have a few more Sundays to include your favorite hymns this summer! Sign up online or on the sheets in the narthex, and we will work them in. Parameters: All hymns should be from The Hymnal 1982. One favorite per person. No seasonal hymns, please (i.e. Christmas, Lent).

We pray for Noah, Sally, Parrish, Janet, Nancy, Susan, Chuck, Carter, Anne, Ethan, Mary Jo, Judy, Carl, Martha, Henry, Althea, Jan, Zemiria, Henry, Louise, Terri, Lee, Andy, Benita, Mary, Sherry, Louane, Keith, Jimmy, Sharo, Claudia, Ethan, Mauricio, Allison, Theresa, Ben, Rich, Isabelle, Nancy, Kenny, Chris, Paige, Mary Martha, Jerry, Erika, Stacey, Lisa, Kay, Jack, Carl, Megan, Jan, Quinn, Travis, Zachary, Bob, Claudia, and Marsha.

In the prayers for the deceased, we pray for Guy Vitaglione.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Names included in the prayer list will remain for a month, and we are happy to extend at your request. Please note that there is a 2-week lead time on printed announcements.



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