

St. Paul's PARISH Epistle



Holy Week and Easter

Palm Sunday – April 13th

10:00 a.m. - Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Eucharist II

Holy Wednesday – April 16th

No Wednesday Service

Maundy Thursday – April 17th

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar
With St. Paul's Choir

Good Friday – April 18th

12:00 p.m. - Good Friday Liturgy

Easter Sunday – April 20th

10:00 a.m. - Choral Holy Eucharist II

First Sunday after Easter - April 27th

10:00 a. m. - Holy Eucharist, Rite II



Rites of Passage

Birthdays

Lea Brooks	April 10
Madison Jasick	April 14
David Cooper	April 15
Randa Murphy	April 15
William Patton	April 20
Barb Ackermann	April 21



Coleman & Jessica Sellers, VI April 30



If you do not see your birthday or anniversary please call the parish office at 410-758-1553.

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What is the Episcopal Church doing in the World?

Eco Justice
www.episcopalchurch.org/blog/EcoJustice

Refugees and Immigrants
www.episcopalmigrationministries.org
Office of Government Relations
advocacy.episcopal/church.org

Pastoral Emergencies

Please call the parish office at 410-758-1553 and leave a message.

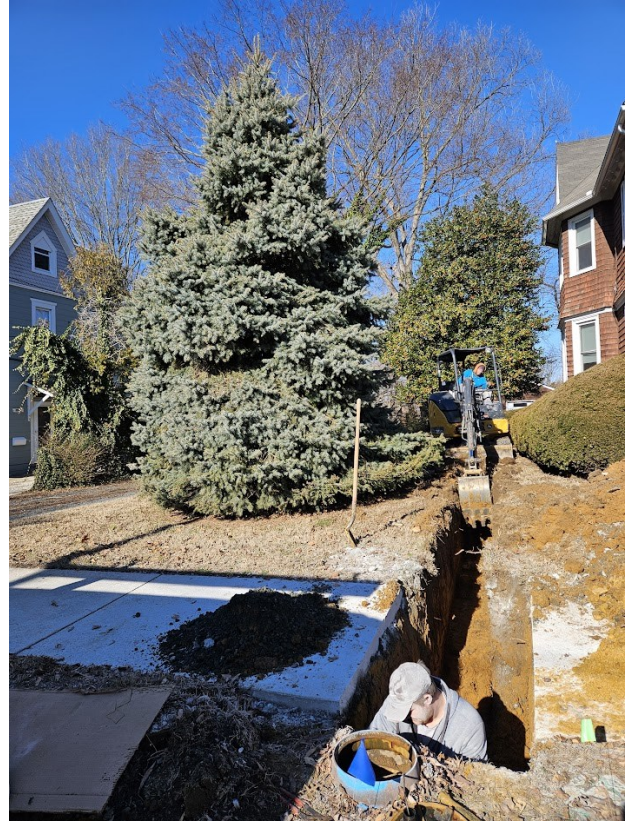
Treasurer's Update

St. Paul's Finances		2025		
	St. Paul's Finances - February			
	Actual	Budget	Difference	
Revenue				
Pledges	\$ 95,555	\$ 81,565	\$ 13,990	Favorable
Other Offerings	\$ 5,384	\$ 8,787	\$ (3,403)	Unfavorable **
Other Income	\$ 200	\$ 1,356	\$ (1,156)	Unfavorable **
Capital Fund	\$ 5,057	\$ 9,428	\$ (4,371)	Unfavorable **
Total Revenue	\$ 106,196	\$ 101,136	\$ 5,060	Favorable
Expenses				
Total Personnel	\$ 18,646	\$ 19,256	\$ (610)	Favorable
Capital Expenses	\$ 8,820	\$ 9,903	\$ (1,083)	Favorable
All Other	\$ 34,046	\$ 34,880	\$ (834)	Favorable
Total Expenses	\$ 61,512	\$ 64,039	\$ (2,527)	Favorable
Revenue minus Expenses	\$ 44,684	\$ 37,097	\$ 7,587	Favorable
Note:				
The Pledge you make each fall is to the Operating Budget for unrestricted use.				
Gifts specified for specific activities are restricted to those activities				
and do not count toward fulfilling your Pledge.				



Junior Warden

At the Rectory this past winter the old galvanized main water line pipe broke at the street connection so we had the plumbing crew on site and replaced it with new updated pipe and fittings from the meter box to the basement.



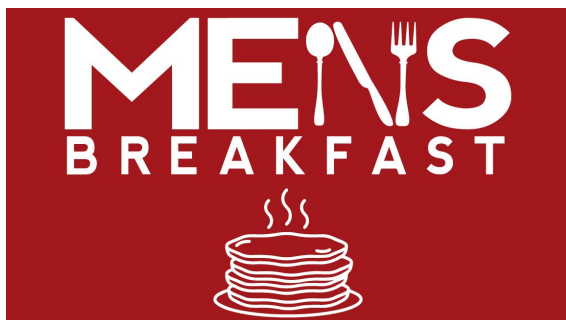
Junior Warden

Lester Downes Lawn Service returns to St Paul's for our annual spring clean up. Trimming, weeding and mulching.



Junior Warden

Recently we had new sliding bolts and a door lock installed on the front door of the Church



Men's Breakfast

April 5th at 8:15am

At The Creamery in Centreville

The men's breakfast group meets the first Saturday of the month at the Creamery at 8:15am. Everyone is invited.

We look forward to seeing you soon.



Haven Ministries

Thank you to all who have signed up to provide a meal for the Haven Ministries shelter. All our assigned April dates are covered and that will finish this season. Signups will begin again later for October. Thanks! Barb Ackermann

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

Please sign up to host Coffee Hour. There is a sign up sheet in Donaldson Hall. If you have any questions please see Kathy Anderson or Gail Brown. We need volunteers. If no one volunteers than we will not have coffee hour that Sunday.



Mark Your Calendar

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Women's Bake Sale

May 9th, 10:00am until 1:00pm (or until sold out)

We will be looking for food donations and volunteers for the bake sale.



Mark Your Calendar



St. Paul's Presents

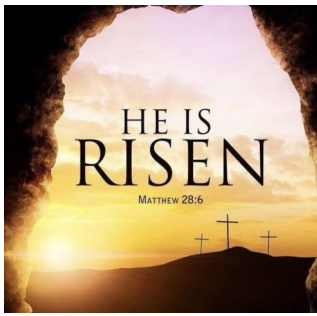
Stefan Scaggiari

Piano Concert

Chopin, Liszt, and All That Jazz

April 27, 2025 at 4:00pm

Freewill offering will be collected



Worship Schedule

Sunday:

10:00am

Holy Eucharist

Wednesday:

11:00am

Informal Eucharist

- Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment
- Holy Matrimony may be administered at anytime outside the seasons of Advent or Lent
- Holy Baptism is especially appropriate at the Easter Vigil, on the Day of Pentecost, on All Saints' Day or the Sunday after All Saints' Day, and on the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord (the First Sunday after the Epiphany). It is recommended that, as far as possible, Baptisms be reserved for these occasions or when a bishop is present. (BCP 312)

The Susan Whitaker Prayer Shawl Knitters

Please Join Us

Tuesday, March 18th at 2:00pm



A Prayer Shawl is a shawl that is handmade, blessed by the Priest, and given lovingly to someone who is suffering and in need of comfort or someone who is celebrating a great joy. If you have ever received a prayer shawl or shared one with someone, you know how special they are.

The Prayer Shawl Group meets in the Richardson Room (sitting area next to the church office) at 2:00 PM on the third Tuesday of the month and we would like to encourage anyone who can knit or crochet or anyone who wants to learn either of these to join us! We get together each month to knit and crochet, help those just learning, provide solutions for problems, answer questions, and basically enjoy the time together. There is no pressure in this group and everyone works at their own pace and in their own way. Some members have been knitting or crocheting for a long time and others are just starting out. At this point, our prayer shawl supply is low and we really need more members in our group.

Please consider joining our group and contributing to St. Paul's in this way. For more information, contact Jean Hilleary at 410-758-1858 or Susan Johnson at 203-623-4221.

We would love to see you at our next meeting!!
Jean and Susan



Ministries Schedule for March 2025

Ministry	3/2 10:00am	3/9 10:00am	3/16 10:00am	3/23 10:00am	3/30 10:00am
<i>Lector-Lessons</i>	Carolyn Carney	Jack Shaum	Mark Freestate	Sharon Burak	Eleanor Strietman
<i>Lector - Prayers</i>	Elsie Ozinga	Ned Aull	Dan Rugg	Mike Grace	D. Donnelly-Barton
<i>LEM</i>	Carolyn Carney	Gary Anderson	Chris Pupke	Haley Melton	Chris Pupke
<i>LEM</i>	Tom Andrews	Eleanor Strietman	Bob Ozinga	Doug Kaufmann	Kim Hazuda
<i>Ushers</i>	Steve Parkhurst Tad Stewart Bob North	Mark Freestate David Cooper Sally Cooper	Mike Grace Kim Hazuda Stoney Duffey	Scott Hazuda Tom Andrews Dan Rugg	David Cooper Bill Clark Sally Cooper
<i>Acolytes</i>					
<i>Server</i>	Tom Andrews	Eleanor Strietman	Bob Ozinga	Haley Melton	Eleanor Strietman
<i>Crucifer</i>	Jimmy Miller	Jimmy Miller	Mark Freestate	Doug Kaufmann	Jimmy Miller
<i>Acolyte</i>				Alex Leary	
<i>Vestry Rep</i>	Sherri Ward	Wendy Emerson	Carolyn Carney	Charlie Ackermann	Diane Freestate
<i>Counters</i>					
<i>Tuesdays</i>	Bob Ozinga Michele Miller	Char McClatchy Susan Johnson	Byron Luna Diane Freestate	Myron Richardson Patricia Jamison	Barb Ackermann Gail Brown
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Sharon North Dot Abbott Chrissy Aull Kathie Moore	Sally Cooper Diane Freestate Ann Grace	Laura Kaufmann Haley Melton Barb Ackermann	Jessica Sellers Penny Lins Wendy Emerson	Sharon North Dot Abbott Kathie Moore Chrissy Aull

Church

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed April 18 – 29th. If you have a pastoral emergency please call the parish office at 410-758-1553 and leave a message.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 10:00am Holy Eucharist Rite II	31 Parish Office Closed 10:00am Homeschool Group	1 9:00am Bible Study	2 11:00am Eucharist Service, Healing Prayer and Meditation 5:15pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Al-Anon	3 9:00am Backpack for Kids Packing the food	4	5 8:15am Men's Breakfast at the Creamery 10:00am Wedding
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**Episcopal
Church Women**

Episcopal Church Women Meeting

Please Join Us

April 13th following the service

Everyone is welcome

May All Voices Be Heard

St. Paul's Transition and Search Committee

Our parish is beginning a new journey of faith and hope. In the coming months, we will engage our St. Paul's community in Holy Conversations and prayers, inspired by Christ and by one another, as we seek a new Rector.

This effort must truly "hear all the voices" of St. Paul's. Therefore, before each Sunday Service, a parish member—from the Vestry, the Search Committee, or the congregation-at-large—will offer a short prayer or reflection about our parish transition. These messages will be forward looking and personal, full of joy, and hope for our community of faith.

Transition Team Update

Search and Transition Committee Update

The Search and Transition Committee remains very busy working to find our next rector. The coming weeks will have several important announcements about the progress we are making. We are very pleased with this progress and eager to move into the next phase of the search process. However, we also want to be candid about the challenges we face. There is a significant shortage of priests in the Episcopal Church at large. Rather than provide statistics about the number of priests searching versus the number of openings available, or the number of active priests versus the number of congregations in the Episcopal Church, below is a quick summary of the rector situations in the closest Episcopal churches to St. Paul's.

- Wye Parish (Queenstown and Wye Mills): A curate (a very recent graduate of seminary) is leading the congregation with the assistance of the interim priest.
- Christ Church (Kent Island): The former interim priest was converted to a priest-in-charge given the congregation's inability to find a permanent rector.
- St. Luke's (Church Hill): A retired priest serves as a part time rector.
- Emmanuel (Chestertown): The fulltime rector is on long term leave for health reasons.
- Old St. Paul's (Chestertown): The congregation has begun the search process for a new rector.
- Christ Church (Easton): An interim is leading the congregation.
- Christ Church (Denton): A bi-vocational priest is leading the congregation in a part time capacity while also teaching math full time in Dorchester County Schools.

While the road ahead is uncertain, if we open our hearts to God's will, we will find our new rector and strengthen our congregation's service to God.





Wye River
UPPER SCHOOL

WRUS BBQ *Fundraiser*

Celebrating Over a Decade of Success
in the Centreville Armory

Saturday ● April 5, 2025 ● 5-7 pm

Wye River Upper School

**\$75
PER PERSON**

Tickets Include:

Pit beef, chicken, sides, beer and wine

Music by Michael Waskey

Proceeds benefit the Wye River Upper
School Financial Aid Fund.

Silent Auction

For More Information
Contact Kevin Callahan
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Carolyn Carney, *Registrar*

The Vestry

- '26 Wendy Emerson
Judy Webster
Bob Ozinga
- '27 Peggy Andrews
Patricia Jamison
Sherri Ward
- '28 Debra Donnelly-Barton
David Larrabee
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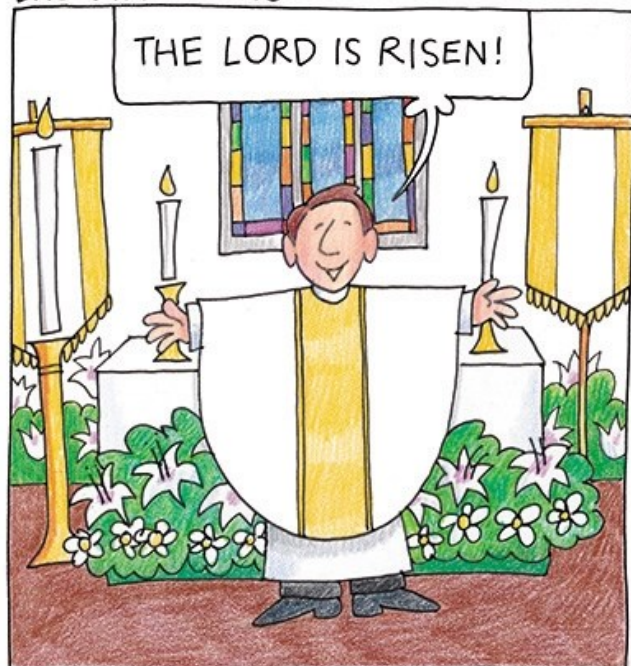


The mission of St. Paul's Parish, Centreville, is to be a strong and caring community of faith, rooted in Christ, welcoming, serving, and loving all.

Deadline for the
May issue will be
on April 15, 2025

On the Lighter Side...

EASTER MORNING



EASTER AFTERNOON

