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March 2024 Monthly Bulletin

Dear St. Paul's Family,

Now that we are in the midst of our Lenten season, it is time to take a look at how we are doing taking on those spiritual disciplines of prayer, study, quiet time, and self examination. If we have missed a few steps, now is the time to recommit, to begin again to prepare ourselves for the Easter celebration.

If you watch any sports on television, you will notice the obligatory half time interview of the coach. Each team commits to start the second half with fresh eyes, a renewed spirit and to finish strong. So it is with our Lenten season. We are at half time, and we have the opportunity to start fresh, pledge again to be fervent in prayer, search out the opportunities for quiet time where we can listen to God, and examine our lives to make amends when needed.

Your faithfulness will be rewarded as you come to the Easter celebration.

Faithfully,
Johnny

Daylight Savings Time starts on Sunday, March 10, 2024. Don't forget to spring forward one hour!



Search and Transition Committee Update

The Search Committee has commenced with the first round of interviews and will have talked with all candidates by the end of next week. All committee members are very optimistic about the future of the Church. The Transition Committee is focusing on the pictorial directory as well as some design updates in the church office.



March 3, 2024

The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of James Herman Faulkner, Sr., Evelyn Irwin Faulkner, Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Blackburn, J. B. Blackburn, Jr., Karlene Frazer Faulkner, and James Herman Faulkner, Jr.

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Peter S. Quackenbush, Sr. and Henry Quackenbush.

March 10, 2024

The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dolores "Doddie" Hall Ballard.

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Joel Scott Pate.

March 17, 2024

The flowers on the Altar of the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Linda Pritchett Thomas.

The flowers on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Perry and Iris Everett and Lee and Ann Putt and in thanksgiving for our family by Robert and Judy Campbell.

March 24, 2024

The palms on the Altar in the Church are given to the Glory of God and in living memory of Glennon Errol Bosage.

The palms on the Altar of the Little Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Shepard Frost.



A Prayer for Discernment in the Search of a Rector

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up faithful pastors to serve this Church and to feed your flock, please now grant to us, as we search, the strength of your love, guidance, wisdom, patience, peace, grace, hope, and joy. Give abundantly, to whom we seek, the gifts of your Holy Spirit, that your servant who is called may minister in your household as a true servant of Christ and steward of your divine mysteries; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Lay Ministries Sunday, March 3rd

Lectors

8 a.m.

John Lawler
Maurice Gandy

10 a.m.

Scout Sunday Readers

6 p.m.

Jon Cooner

Chalice Bearers

8 a.m.

Ernest Ladd

10 a.m.

Robert & Judy Campbell
Forrest Williams
Allison Shields

Ushers

8 a.m.

Dubby Hannon
Jimmie Duffy

10 a.m.

Geep Shedd
Chandler French
Doug Anderson
Tucker Frazer
John Jeffries
Tim Delong

Acolytes

10 a.m.

Lanier Alves
Forrest Williams
Louise Williams
Sutton Delaney
Townsend West
Trooper West
Maddie West
John Mack Lambert
Cornelia Lambert

Advisor

Dwight Lambert

Altar Guild

Hybart/Webster

Flower Guild

McMurphy/Marshall/
Morrisette

Sunday School

Lauren West
Julia Shreve

Streaming

Wes Pipes

Sermon

The Very Reverend
Johnny W. Cook



Sunday, March 3rd:
Come show your support for Troop 147 on Scout Sunday!



Tuesday, March 5th
The 2024 Primary Election is Tuesday, March 5th. The Parish Hall at St. Paul's will be a polling place from 7 AM to 7 PM for voters in this precinct.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WEEKLY glance

Sundays

New Testament Class - Library at 9:00 a.m.
Children and Youth Choirs - Choir Room at 4:30 p.m.
Grief Group - Parlor at 5:00 p.m.
Youth Group - Bldg E, Youth Rm 202 at 5:30 p.m.
Mom's Bible Study - Parlor at 6:15 p.m.

Mondays

Morning Prayer - Little Church at 7:30 a.m.
12 Step Group - Parlor at 11:00 a.m.

Tuesdays

Men's Prayer Group - Library at 6:30 a.m.
Morning Prayer - Little Church at 7:30 a.m.
Mom's Bible Study - Bldg E, Room 203 at 7:45 a.m.
Romans Study - Library at 10:30 a.m.
History of Christianity - Parlor at 7:00 p.m.
Boy Scouts - Boy Scout Room 201 Bldg E at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays

Handbells - Choir Room at 5:30 p.m.
Adult Choir - Choir Room at 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays

Morning Prayer - Little Church at 7:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study - Conference Room 9:30 a.m.

Fridays

Morning Prayer - Little Church at 7:30 a.m.
Women's Bible Study - Parlor at 9:00 a.m.



During Lent,
there will be
breakfast after
the 7 AM service
on Wednesdays

**Senior Warden**

Medford Roe Jr.

Jr. Warden

Gaines Thomas Sr.

Chris Alves

Doug Anderson*

Elizabeth Campbell*

David Crawford*

John Galanos

Glenn Gallaspy III*

Day Gates II

Dan Gatewood

Rainer Gatewood

Wade Gordon Jr.*

Amelia Harrington*

John Hedberg III*

David Inge

Katie Israel

Virginia Jeffries

Jeff Luther*

Ainsley McNeely

Grey O'Brien

Stuart Parnell Jr.

Linda Lou Parsons*

Garrett Powe*

Hill Robinson

Bowden Sarrett

Maggie Shreve

Wayne Sirmon

Sarah Teague

Kathy Thurber

Jeff Weston

*denotes new
vestry members

**Garrett Powe
has been elected to
the Standing Committee
for the Diocese of the
Central Gulf Coast**

NEW YEAR, NEW RECTOR, NEW PARISH DIRECTORY...

Thank you for the quick responses!
If you have not already updated your
information and sent us a picture,
there is still time. You may stop by the
office for us to take one or send your
favorite picture to
stpaulschurchphotos@gmail.com.

The deadline for submitting your
information and picture is

Friday, March 15.

Stop by the office if you prefer or call
and we can mail you
a form to complete and return.

You can also scan this
QR code to complete the form
electronically.



ST. PAUL'S EARLY EDUCATION CENTER

GRILL ON THE HILL

Presented by McElhenney Construction



SCAN FOR MORE INFO!

MARCH 9TH 3:00 - 7:00 PM



WHEEL-A-MEAL
NEEDS A DELIVERY DRIVER
EVERY OTHER MONDAY.

PLEASE CONTACT LES STUART
AT 251-455-8182
OR LES.STUART@COMCAST.NET

The Flower Guild will have the annual Cross Workshop two times this year.
 Wednesday evening, March 27 at 5:30 pm and
 Thursday, March 28 at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall.
 A registration fee of \$10 is requested to offset some of the costs of supplies.
 Your check will hold your spot.
 Please let us know **which day** you will be attending
 by writing it on your check in the memo section.
 The Wednesday evening workshop is limited to 20 so register early.
The deadline to register is March 22.
 If you happen to have a cross form you used last time,
 please drop it off in the church kitchen ASAP so we can prepare it.
 Bring your flower clippers and lots of greenery if you have it.
 Any questions, please call Judy Campbell 251-401-7716
 or Carol McMurphy 251-421-3057 or
 Pam Moore 251-680-0803.

Please join us
 for the Liturgy of the Palms
 & Palm Procession
 8:00 in the Marshall Garden
 10:00 in the Parish Hall
 as we follow the cross
 into church.



Easter Service
 Remember to bring
 a flower to add to the cross
 on Easter morning
 at the service.

Young children and a parent process in.

Easter Memorials 2024

Beautiful flowers, greenery and music
 decorate and enhance our worship in the
 Church and Little Church each Easter Sunday.
 If you would like to give a memorial as a gift
 of thanksgiving toward these,
 please call the Church office by
 Friday, March 22, 2024. The list will be
 included in the Easter Sunday Bulletins.



2024 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

As we move our way through the Lenten season, it's prudent for all of us to examine our hearts and consider our giving pledges. We've introduced the discipline to our children at our family services, and it's now time to rekindle our own spirit and submit our pledges to the church. As you can see in the adjacent chart, we have received 215 pledges to date, for a total of \$1,142,781. If you've already submitted your pledge, we thank you! If you've not had an opportunity your 2024 pledge, it's not too late. We will be mailing out a new pledge card and letter in the near future. We are hoping to wrap up this years stewardship campaign by Easter.

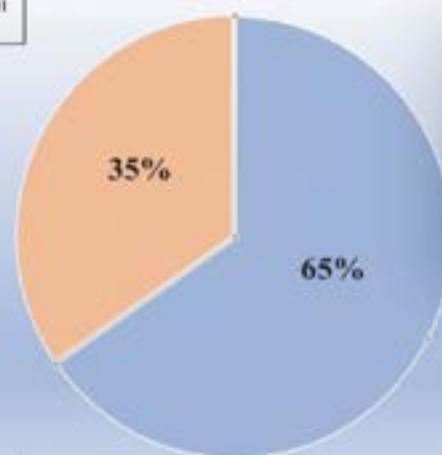
To read more about pledging, please visit:
<https://stpaulschurchmobile.com/giving/stewardship-faqs>
 or to submit your pledge online, please visit:
<https://stpaulschurchmobile.com/giving/pledge-online>

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
 2 Corinthians 9:7

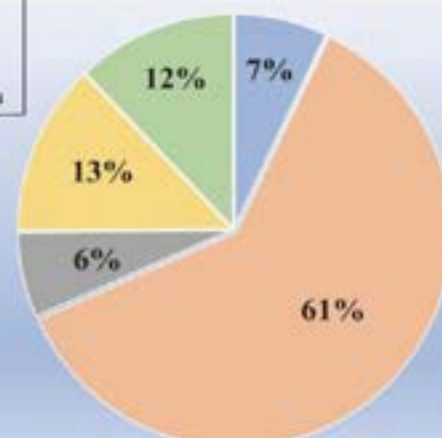
"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap."
 Luke 6:38

Current Pledge Received - \$1,142,781
 Current Pledge Deficit - \$487,208

Total Pledges Received - 215
 Total Pledges 2023 - 329
 Outstanding Pledges - 114



Diocesan Giving \$197,388
 Salaries & Benefits \$1,712,438
 Church Programs \$84,275
 Property Expenses \$364,000
 General Operating Expenses \$338,504



Our Clergy and Lay Delegates had a fellowship filled weekend at the Diocesan Convention!

Left to Right:
 Forrest Williams,
 Peggy Lyden, Brad Clark,
 Dalton Daves, Kathy Miller,
 Liz Bush, John Hedberg, and
 Garrett Powe



You are invited to a

LENTEN DINNER

Catered By

CLIFTON MORRISSETTE

Wednesday, March 6th
6:30 PM



The Flower Guild
will meet on Monday, March 4th
at 10 AM in the Parish Hall.



St. Margaret's Guild

Monday, March 11th

10:30 AM - Parlor

Hostesses: Betty Jeffries & Peggy Simpson

Our speaker will be Cam Marston, an author, radio talk show host, weekly commentator on Alabama Public Radio, and a top-rated keynote speaker on trends shaping the world we live in.

Cam is an active member of our church.

He will share his journey to St. Paul's and his experience having and recovering from a potentially debilitating stroke last year.

Bella Voce
PRESENTS

Songfest

An evening of song, featuring
Mobile County Public School Choirs

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH 7:00 PM

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 4051 OLD SHELL RD., MOBILE

*Admission free. Donations to benefit Bella Voce of Mobile gratefully accepted

St. Catherine's Guild

Wednesday, March 27th

11:00 AM - Parlor

Meeting & Luncheon

Hostesses: Lynn Robinson, Ann Burhan, and Janice Setzler

Speaker: John Arendall

John will give an update on the progress of the search committee.

New members and guests are welcome!

Dues for 2024 are due!



In the church, there is a long tradition of Easter Eve baptisms. Please contact the church if you are interested in an Easter Eve baptism on Saturday, March 30th, 2024. Please contact the church by Friday, March 15th, 2024.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 1 - 9

Grover Asmus II
 Ranette Babb
 Evelyn Baird
 Les Barnett Jr
 Ley Bell IV
 Amelia Campbell
 Jack Citrin
 Bobby Cook Jr.
 Geoffrey Crum
 Toni Dean
 Timothy DeLong
 Peter Dietrich
 Shirley Edens
 Julie Friedman
 Emma Fuller
 John Galanos
 Amelia Harrington
 Henry Holland
 Robert Ingraham Jr.
 Allison Johnson
 Lauren Laird
 Clifton Leatherbury
 Hayes Luscher
 Mimi Lyons
 Jimmy Mackin
 Cam Marston IV
 Earl McAndrew
 Jackie McConaha
 Robert McNeil
 Clifton Morrisette Jr
 Angelina Mort
 Bill Pipkin Jr
 William Roe
 AP Rogers
 Will Rogers
 Anne Rutledge
 Sam Schwant
 Marshall Shields
 Robert Shreve
 Wanda Sigler
 Peggy Simpson
 Connor Sindel
 Angela Sledge
 Barbara Sleeman
 Jim Taylor
 Richard Taylor Jr
 Melissa Wallace
 Bill Zundel Jr.



March 10 - 16

Allison Alves
 Chris Baranano
 Amy Bedsole
 Sarah Brinson
 Vivian Davis
 Bryan DeLaney
 Mary Len Deupree
 Marissa Donovan
 Sam Dumas
 Porter Elder Sr
 John Fountain
 Charlotte Gross
 Bill Groves
 Gina Hedberg
 Quin Hillyer
 James Huffstutler IV
 Rusty Johnston
 Miller Kalhagen
 Edward Ladd III
 Townsley Luther
 Margaret McAndrew
 Doug McCoy
 Kimberly McCoy
 Michael McLeod
 Anna Mouser
 Audrey Mouser
 John Mullis
 Suzette Ortega
 Mary Lynn
 Schatzman
 Jack Seibt
 Ed Sledge III
 Austin St. Clair
 Bob Tatum
 Easton Trovinger
 Selwyn Turner III

March 17 - 23

Anne Anderson
 Robbie Baker Jr.
 Sean Baxter
 Ashley Benson
 Alex Bowen
 Helen Brown
 Sharen Burton
 Todd Dempsey
 Sam Dennis
 Sophie Eldred
 Alice Frost
 Julia Greer

March 17 - 23 cont.

Mac Greer II
 Leslie Hahn
 Art Hahn Jr
 John Hinton Jr
 Nora Huffman
 Katherine Lambert
 John Lawler
 Spencer Marston
 Olivia Grace Mezick
 Becky Myers
 Erin Rockwell
 Ashleigh Seibt
 Forbes Sirmon Jr
 Zach Spear
 Davis Taylor
 Cynthia Whittington
 Ruth Williams
 Louie Wilson
 Kristen Zulli

March 24 - 31

Sarah Allen
 Walter Alves
 Laura Clark
 Pate Dickerson
 Edgar Downing Jr
 Kathryn Dzwonkowski
 Joe Ferguson Jr
 Joan Friedlander
 Samuel Friedman
 Elizabeth Frost
 Glenn Gallaspy Jr
 Cori Gaston
 Day Gates III
 Dylan Hale
 Rochelle Herring
 David Inge
 Holland Jackson
 Hunter Ladd Jr
 Goodman Ledyard
 Mary McLeod
 John O'Connor
 Jane Ortega
 Patti Parnell
 Jerome Parsons III
 Lauren Petersen
 Reid Poe
 Ben Radcliff III
 Bancroft Reynolds
 John Sayers III
 Maggie Shreve
 Pam Thompson
 Ann Wesley
 Kristina Wood



A Celebration of Life
 was held for
 Jephtha Blacksher White-Spunner, Sr.
 on February 3, 2024.

A Celebration of Life
 was held for
 Martha Roton Terry
 on February 6, 2024.

A Celebration of Life
 was held for
 James "Jimmy" McDavid Hirs
 on February 15, 2024.



Clay and Ann Marie Brooks
 joyfully welcomed their son,
 Clayton Howard Brooks, Jr.
 on January 30th, 2024.
 Clay is the grandson of Ginny Russell,
 great grandson of Ann Marie Terry.

Patrick and Ginny Caliva
 joyfully welcomed their son,
 Patrick Lightfoot Caliva, Jr.
 on January 31st, 2024.
 Patrick is the grandson
 of Scott Bowman and Angie Lancaster.



Please email all birth
 announcements to
stpaulschurchoffice@stpmobile.com
 if you would like for them to be
 included in the monthly bulletin!

Worship Schedule

Sundays

8:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist | Little Church
10:00 a.m. | Family Worship Service | Big Church
6:00 p.m. | Contemporary Service | Little Church

Morning Prayer

8:15 a.m. | Little Church
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Wednesday Worship - Little Church

7:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m. | Healing Service
5:30 p.m. | Holy Eucharist

Men's Prayer Group

First Tuesday Breakfast

JOIN US FOR JIMMIE'S COOKING!

March 12, 2024 | 6:30 AM | Parish Hall

The Very Reverend Johnny W. Cook
will be our speaker.

The Very Reverend Johnny W. Cook, Interim Rector

The Reverend Brad Clark, Curate

The Reverend Lydia Johnson, Priest Associate

The Reverend Roger C. Porter, Rector Emeritus

Mrs. Peggy Lyden, Organist, Director of Music

Mrs. Teri Williams, Assistant Music Director

Mrs. Pam Bixler, Parish Administrator

Mrs. Miranda Dismukes, Youth Director

Mrs. Brenda Ferguson, Financial Administrator

Mrs. Elizabeth Parnell, Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Cherish Posey, Sunday School Director

Mrs. Erin Schwant, Head of the Early Education Center

Mrs. Virginia Crawford, Assistant Head of School and Admissions

Mrs. Janet Bridges, Mrs. Mary Horner, Archivists

Ms. Sarah Whitfield, Ms. Kim Wood, Archivists

Parish Officers

Mr. Medford Roe Jr., Sr. Warden
Dr. Gaines Thomas, Jr. Warden
Mr. Tim DeLong, Treasurer
Mr. L. Robert Shreve, Clerk
Mr. Jim Newman, Chancellor
Mrs. Rainer Gatewood, ECW

Altar Guild Co-Directors

Mrs. Allane Hybart
Mrs. Molly Hunter

Flower Guild Chairs

Mrs. Judy Campbell
Mrs. Carol McMurphy

Acolyte Advisors

Mrs. Ann Marie Brooks
Mrs. Dalton Daves
Mr. Dwight Lambert
Mrs. Patricia Powe
Mrs. Catherine Tubbs

Sextons

Mr. Winfred Lee
Mr. Jimmie Hunter
Mr. Earnest Pugh
Mr. Johnny Smith

