

# *Rooted in Tradition*

## Growing in Grace



**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
2026 Spring Brochure



## From the Rector

---

*“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.”*

---

*Galatians 5:22,25*

Dear Friends in Christ,

In his letter to the Galatians, St. Paul offers a beautiful image of what begins to grow when our lives are rooted in God's grace. To “live by the Spirit” is to trust that God is already at work within us—shaping our lives, our habits, and our relationships towards His loving purposes.

Spring in Mobile has a way of making this truth visible. What appeared dormant through the winter slowly and quietly comes alive again—azaleas begin to blossom and our lawns turn green with new growth.

Each year at this same time, we move through another sacred rhythm together—through the festivities of Mardi Gras, into the solemnity of Lent, and on to the great celebration of Easter. This shared journey invites us to move with purpose and intention, and to make room for the Spirit's gentle work in our hearts.

As we engage in these sacred rhythms, I invite you to step more fully into the life of our community—to worship, serve, grow, and connect. Whether you are returning to familiar practices or exploring something new, trust that God is cultivating good fruit within you and among us. This is, after all, a season of joy, hope, and renewal!

You'll find within the pages of this brochure so many opportunities to strengthen your hearts and minds for a life of love and service, so that you might bear fruit worthy of the kingdom.

I am deeply grateful for the talent and devotion of our many program leaders—we are blessed by the passion they pour into their ministries! I hope you'll consider the enclosed offerings and let the Spirit guide you to the abundance Christ promises.

Yours in faith and gratitude,  
**Jody+**





## Join us for Worship

### Morning Prayer Weekdays

8:30 A.M. - Little Church

### Wednesdays

7:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

5:30 P.M.

4051 Old Shell Road  
Mobile, AL 36608

### Sundays

8:00 A.M. - Little Church

10:00 A.M. - Family Service

5:00 P.M. - Little Church

### Online

10:00 A.M. Livestream  
via YouTube and Website

[stpaulschurchmobile.com](http://stpaulschurchmobile.com)  
251-342-8521

Bring A Friend  
To Church  
March  
22

Make a friend, be a friend,  
bring a friend to Christ.

  
*Baptism*  
Dates 2026

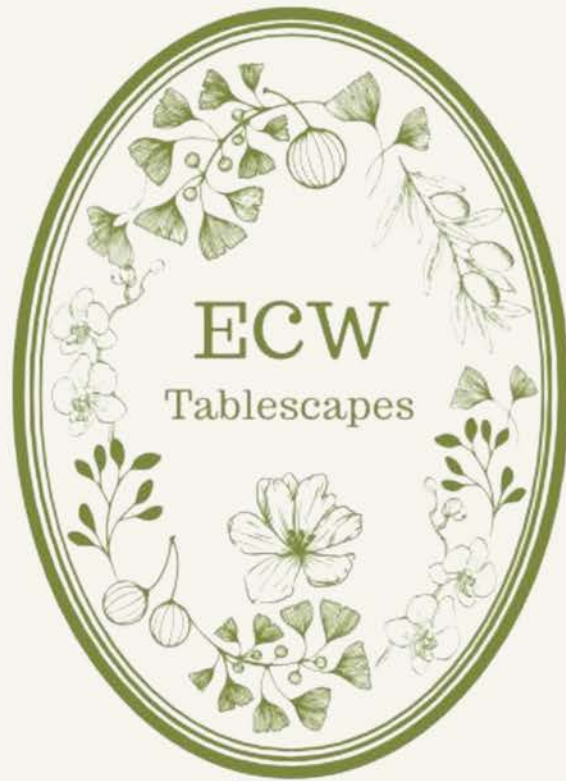
JANUARY 11

FEBRUARY 8

APRIL 4

MAY 17

\*Please call the church  
office if you would like  
to schedule a Baptism  
during a 10:00 a.m.  
service listed above.



*Save the Date*

ECW TABLESCAPES

01 | 29 | 26

MORE INFORMATION TO COME



## Please join us for Weekly Bible Study and Monthly Men's Breakfast

The Men's Prayer Group meets every Tuesday morning at 6:30. We meet in the Library for an informal Bible Study with coffee and doughnuts. No preparation is needed and we end at 7:30 sharp.

The first Tuesday of every month (as adjusted for holidays), instead of Bible Study, we host a breakfast for all the men of the church and any guests. The ladies of the Cracked Plate ministry of the church provide a hot breakfast, and we typically have a speaker. The breakfast is in the Parish Hall from 6:30 to 7:30. Our upcoming dates for the hot breakfast are as follows:

**January 6**  
**February 3**  
**March 2**  
**April 7**  
**May 5**

All are welcome and invited to either or both events at any time. This is a great way to establish friendships with other men in the church and pursue your walk with God. We hope you will join us.

Contact Brooks Milling at 251-454-2064 or [bmilling@handfirm.com](mailto:bmilling@handfirm.com) with any questions or to be added to the weekly and/or monthly reminder email list.

**Men's Retreat + May 1-2 at Baytreat + More info to come**

**AN EVENING  
WITH  
DAVID ZAHL**

Renowned Author, Theologian, and  
Purveyor of Grace

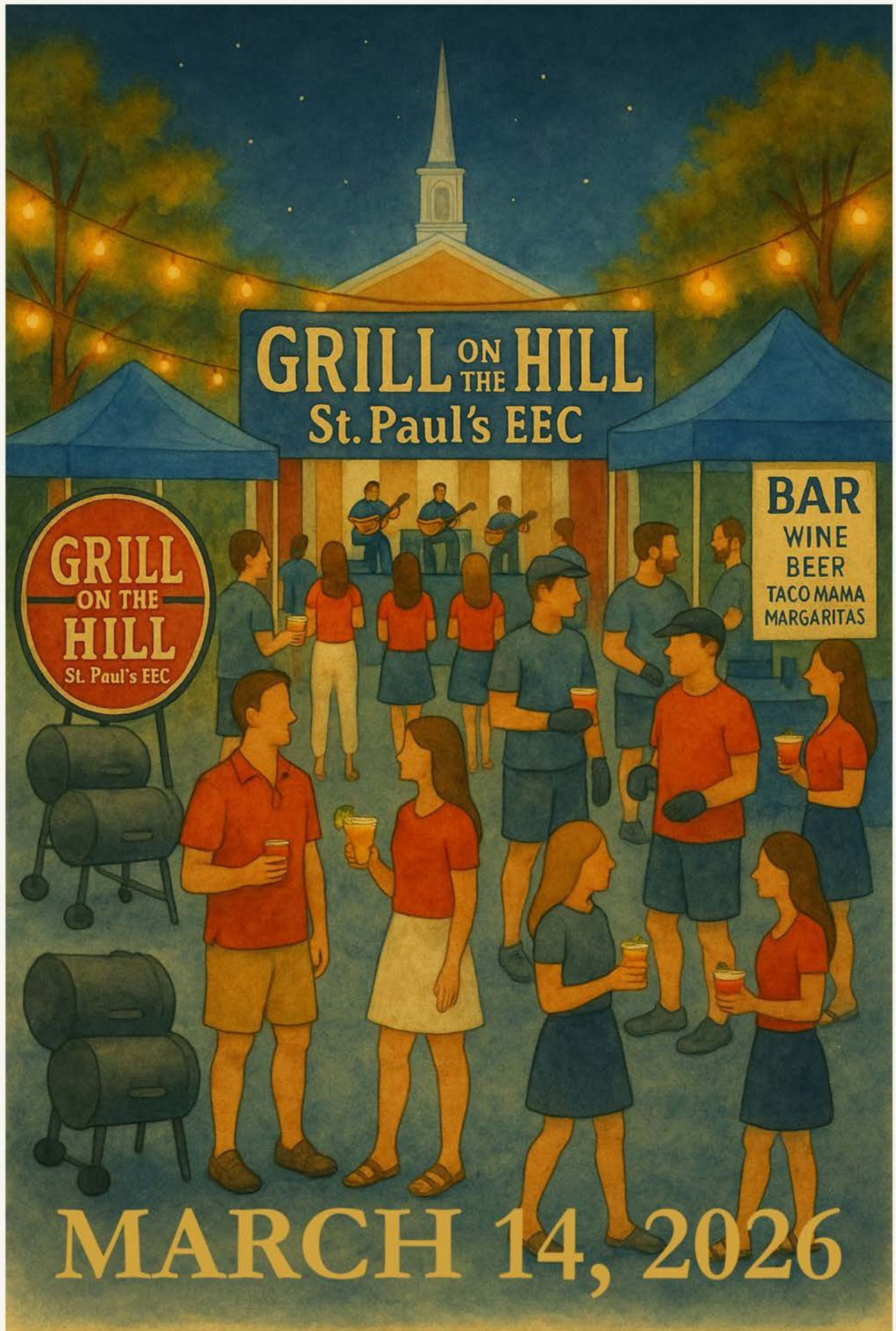
**MONDAY  
FEBRUARY 23**

**6:00 P.M.**

Recent publications include: *Seculosity*,  
*Low Anthropology*, *The Big Relief*

*Save  
the Date*





# Save the Date



JOIN US FOR

## *Ash Wednesday Services*

Begin the Lenten season with prayer and reflection as we receive ashes, a symbol of repentance and renewal.

7:00 AM - Little Church

10:00 AM - Little Church

5:30 PM - Church

## Lenten Dinner

06:15 PM

Please Join Us!

Catered by  
Clifton Morrisette

March 04, 2026

Parish Hall

PLEASE JOIN US

## Lenten Dinner

11 MARCH / WED / 6:15 PM  
PARISH HALL

COOKED BY  
HELEN CHILDERS &  
THE CRACKED PLATES

See you soon!



# Holy<sup>+</sup>Week **SCHEDULE**

## **Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday**

8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Procession of  
Palms & Passion Narrative

## **Monday, March 30**

7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

## **Tuesday, March 31**

7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

## **Wednesday, April 1**

7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers

5:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist

## **Thursday, April 2 - Maundy Thursday**

7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing, Stripping of the  
Altar, Prayer Vigil

## **Friday, April 3 - Good Friday**

7:00 a.m. Morning Devotions

12:00 Noon Good Friday Liturgy

## **Sunday, April 5 - Easter Day**

8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Eucharist

No 5:00 p.m. service



+

# PALM SUNDAY

PROCESSION OF THE PALMS

**March 29, 2026**

Please gather in the  
Parish Hall prior to the  
10:00 a.m. service to  
process over to the  
church.

GOOD FRIDAY  
Service



The Good Friday Service will  
be held at 12:00 Noon  
in the Little Church



Save the  
Date

**BELLA VOCE  
CONCERT**

**MAY 3, 2026**

**4:00 P.M.**

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH





*Easter*

**SUNDAY**

**APRIL 05**

**8:00 a.m.  
Little Church**

**10:00 a.m.  
Church**

\*There will not be a 5:00 p.m. service



SAVE THE DATE

# SUNDAY BRUNCH



*Celebration Sunday*

MAY 3, 2026

FOLLOWING THE 10:00 SERVICE

COME JOIN US FOR BRUNCH BY  
SMOKIN' GRINGOS!



## Sew Many Blessings

Please join us Tuesdays  
from 9:00-10:30 a.m.  
in the Parlor

Experienced or Beginner.  
Bring your projects or come and learn!  
Let us know if you have any questions.

Pam Moore - [pamm@stpmobile.com](mailto:pamm@stpmobile.com)  
251-342-8521

## Sew Many Prayers

## ST. CATHERINE'S GUILD



St. Catherine's Guild meets every fourth Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Parlor with interesting and informative programs and wonderful fellowship. Our first meeting is January 28. We hope you will consider joining this great group of ladies. Please contact Vaughan Morrisette or Linda Lou Parsons for more information.

## The Cracked Plates



The Cracked Plates is the culinary ministry for the church that prepares breakfast for the Men's Prayer Group and lunch for McKemie Place monthly. The group is open to anyone! There are new outreach opportunities on the horizon, serving both the church and community. Stay tuned!

Please contact Helen Childers at (251) 604-6465 or [chlhehe@gmail.com](mailto:chlhehe@gmail.com) for more information or to get involved!

## ST. MARGARET'S GUILD



St. Margaret's Guild meets the second Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor with a speaker, followed by a member-sponsored lunch, at most meetings. The members often bring supplies for various charities and invite local charity leaders to speak. In May, the guild has lunch and a social hour of fellowship.

Contact Sarah Teague at [sarahteague45@yahoo.com](mailto:sarahteague45@yahoo.com) or (251) 622-3923 if you would like to join St. Margaret's Guild.



# Ministry

## Opportunities

### Flower Guild



The Flower Guild at St. Paul's has one of the most beautiful ways to glorify God and His church. We are a busy "hands on" dedicated guild. We offer to Him our individual gifts to enhance the worship services by creating flower arrangements each week for the altars of both churches. We break down the altar arrangements into smaller ones following the Sunday service and deliver to those who may be alone, sick, or in celebration of a special occasion. We have a wonderful time of fellowship as we come together to decorate the churches at Easter & Christmas. We maintain the church's cemetery section of Spring Hill Cemetery (a flower cross is placed in the cemetery for funeral services and interment of ashes), the fountain area in front of the Youth Building, and greenery in the Parish Hall. Once a year, an Easter Flower Cross workshop is held for our parishioners to create their own crosses for their doors or leave for the church doors. All of this to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for His creations. Please contact Judy Campbell (251) 401-7716 or Carol McMurphy (251) 421-3057 for more information.

### Altar Guild



Four groups of more than 50 women and men comprise our altar guild. The groups rotate each week and meet on Thursday or Friday mornings to polish silver and prepare for the upcoming weekly services and events for the church. New members are always welcome. It's a rewarding ministry, and an informative way to learn more about the Episcopal Church. Contact Allane Hybart (251) 604-9452 or Molly Hunter (251) 490-8903 for more information.

### ECW

The ECW (Episcopal Church Women) is excited for another year of fun and fellowship and open to any ladies in the church. Be on the lookout for fun events this year. If you would like to get more involved, or have any questions, please reach out to Kelly Sheppard at (409) 789-1961, [kssheppard@gmail.com](mailto:kssheppard@gmail.com) or call the church office. We would love for you to join us!







# Music

## Ministry



### Adult Choir

Our adult choir is open to high school age through adults and provides the backbone of musical leadership in our 10:00 A.M. worship service. There is a place for everyone of every ability. A variety of sacred choral music is sung with an emphasis on our rich Anglican choral tradition.

#### Rehearsal

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 P.M. and Sundays 9:15-9:45 A.M.



### St. Paul's Singers

The St. Paul's Singers is open to high school age through adults and is our community-based choral group that sings major works with orchestra and lovely selections from our rich Anglican tradition. **Contact Peggy Lyden at St. Paul's Episcopal Church for more information.**

#### Rehearsal

Mondays, 6:00-8:00 P.M. beginning October 26

### Handbell Choir

**Rehearsal:** Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 P.M. Open to high school age and adults







# Children & Youth Choir



Our Children & Youth choirs sing on Sundays at the 10:00 A.M. service, and the fun continues through the school year.

**Angel Choir** – 3 and 4 year olds

**Preparatory Choir** – Kindergarten through 2nd Grade

**Youth Choir** – 3rd through 8th Grade

## **Rehearsal**

Sundays, 11:15 A.M. – 12:15 P.M. in the Undercroft

## **Children & Youth Choir Directors, Accompanists and Assistants:**

Janet Bridges, Kathryn Dempsey, Sandra Houston, Lydia Kelly, Libby Little, Peggy Lyden & Teri Williams



Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;  
Be cheerful and sing for joy and sing praises.  
Psalm 98:4







The Youth Group meets on Sunday evenings with a variety of opportunities to connect spiritually and socially. Youth Group begins for those entering 7th grade and continues throughout senior year. We often begin with dinner and are always happy to hear when parishioners are able to generously provide it! There is a Youth Remind app as well. If you would like to get your teenager involved, or provide a meal for the group, please contact Miranda Dismukes at (251) 509-2858 or [miranda@stpmobile.com](mailto:miranda@stpmobile.com).

**Join the  
Youth Remind App  
to stay in touch!**

**9th - 12th grade**  
Text 81010  
with this message:  
@k6c4o4

**7th - 8th grade**  
Text 81010  
with this message:  
@7d7322

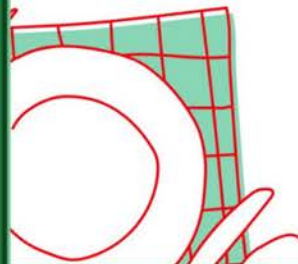
*Let's Eat*

THE YOUTH GROUP IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR  
FAMILIES, GROUPS, ETC TO SPONSOR A  
SUNDAY MEAL FOR THEM WHILE THEY MEET.

**Sunday  
Evenings**



PLEASE CONTACT MIRANDA IF  
YOU ARE INTERESTED IN  
SPONSORING A MEAL.  
[MIRANDA@STPMOBILE.COM](mailto:MIRANDA@STPMOBILE.COM)



## Sunday



8:00 A.M.  
9:00 A.M.  
10:00 A.M.  
11:15 A.M.  
5:00 P.M.  
Sunday Evening  
6:15 P.M.

**Holy Eucharist**  
**New Testament Class**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**Children & Youth Choirs**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**Youth Group**  
**Working Mom's Bible Study**

Rite I - Little Church  
Library  
Rite II - Big Church  
Choir Room  
Little Church  
Youth Room  
Parlor

## Monday



8:30 A.M.  
10:00 A.M.  
  
11:00 A.M.  
5:30 P.M.

**Morning Prayer**  
**The Kingdom, The Power, & The Glory Study**  
**Let Go & Let God**  
**St. Paul's Singers**

Little Church  
Library  
  
Parlor  
Choir Room

\*Rehearsals begin Oct. 26

## Tuesday



6:30 A.M.  
7:45 A.M.  
8:30 A.M.  
9:00 A.M.  
7:00 P.M.  
7:00 P.M.

**MPG Bible Study\***  
**Mom's Bible Study**  
**Morning Prayer**  
**Sew Many Blessings**  
**Tuesday Evening Bible Study**  
**Boy Scouts**

Library  
Bldg. E, Room 203  
Little Church  
Library  
Parlor  
Bldg. E, Room 203

\*The Men's Prayer Group (MPG) Bible Study meets in the Parish Hall the first Tuesday of each month with a speaker and breakfast cooked by the Cracked Plates

## Wednesday



7:00 A.M.  
8:30 A.M.  
10:00 A.M.  
  
5:30 P.M.  
5:30 P.M.  
6:00 P.M.  
6:30 P.M.

**Holy Eucharist**  
**Morning Prayer**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
Healing Service follows  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**Handbells**  
**Women's Bible Study**  
**Adult Choir**

Rite I - Little Church  
Little Church  
Rite I - Little Church  
  
Rite II - Little Church  
Choir Room  
Library  
Choir Room

## Thursday & Friday



8:30 A.M.  
9:30 A.M.  
6:00 P.M.  
  
8:30 A.M.  
9:30 A.M.

**Thur. Morning Prayer**  
**Thur. Women's Bible Study**  
**Brad's Bible Study**  
  
**Fri. Morning Prayer**  
**Fri. Women's Bible Study**

Little Church  
Library  
Library  
  
Little Church  
Library





# Classes & Groups

## Sunday

### Sunday Morning New Testament Class

9:00 A.M. – Library Conference Room

Join us for a discussion group focusing on the Book of Galatians. We will begin our study on Sunday, January 4. We use our Bibles and favorite commentaries. You are always welcome to join this group on an impromptu basis or try it for a few weeks.

**Contact Kathy Miller at [mkm@ajlaw.com](mailto:mkm@ajlaw.com) with any questions.**

### Sunday Afternoon Grief Group

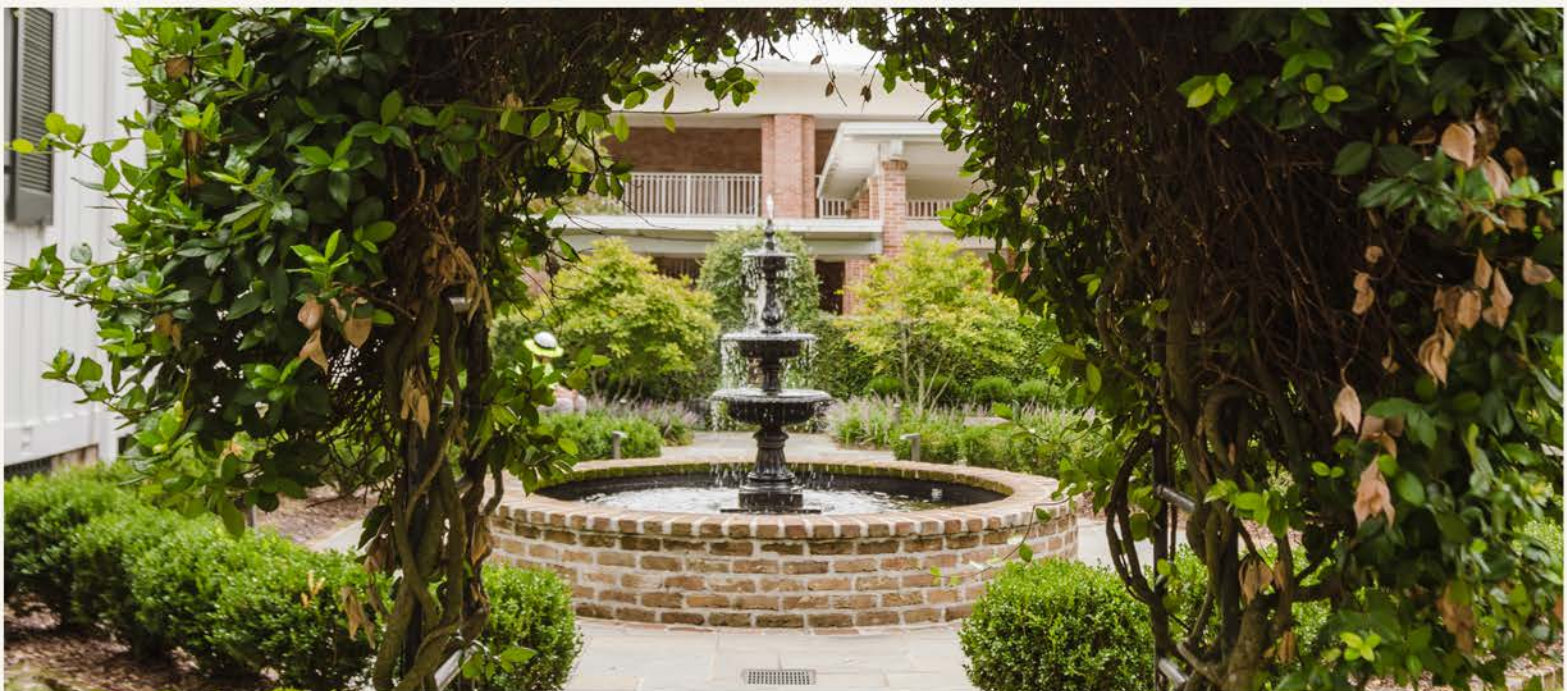
5:00 - 6:00 P.M. – Parlor

The Grief Group will meet Sunday afternoons beginning Sunday, January 11. Please feel free to join us in the parlor and share this information with someone you know. If you have questions or would like more information, **contact Brenda Davis at [brenda@belifecoaching.org](mailto:brenda@belifecoaching.org), (251) 422-6210.**

### Sunday Evening Working Moms Bible Study

6:15 - 7:15 P.M. – Parlor

Working Mom's Bible Study meets on Sunday evenings. We will continue working through the Old Testament. Join us and bring a friend and your Bible. We will begin on Sunday, January 11. For questions or more information, **contact Brenda Davis at (251) 422-6210 or email [brenda@belifecoaching.org](mailto:brenda@belifecoaching.org).**







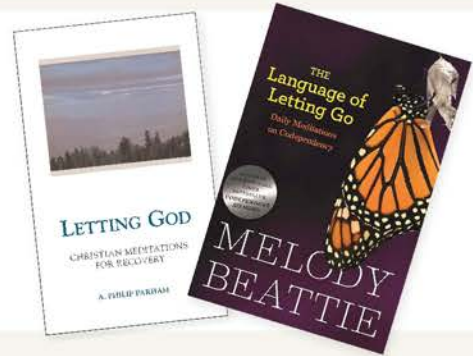
# Classes & Groups

## Monday

### Let Go & Let God – A Twelve Step Program

11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. – Parlor

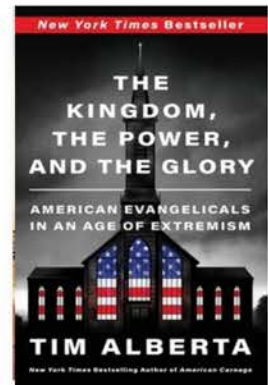
The group is open to all. The books used are **Letting God** by **A. Phillip Parham** and **The Language of Letting Go** by **Melody Beattie**. The first meeting is Monday, January 5th.



### The Kingdom, The Power, and The Glory

10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. – Library

David Johnson will lead a class on **The Kingdom, the Power, and The Glory** on Mondays, beginning January 12, 2026 at 10:00 am in the Library. The discussion class will continue through March 23. **The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory** is a recent book authored by Tim Alberta, son of an evangelical pastor. It is a review of the impact of politics on the evangelical movement. Copies of the book may be obtained from Amazon or other sources. David would like to know how many people to expect. If you are interested or have questions, please feel free to **contact David at [canonjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:canonjohnson@gmail.com)**.







# Classes & Groups

## Tuesday

### Tuesday Morning Mom's Bible Study

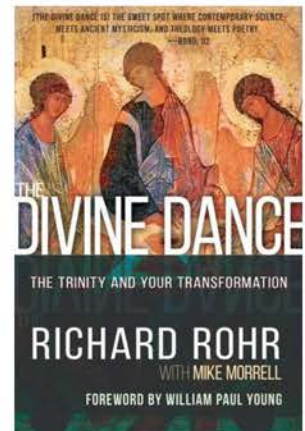
Coffee: 7:45 - 8:15 A.M., Lesson: 8:15 - 9:00 A.M. – Building E, Room #203

Our Mom's Tuesday morning Bible study will meet after school drop off on January 13. We are discussing the Bible, book by book. Bring a friend and join us! **Please contact Brenda Davis at (251) 422-6210, [brenda@belifecoaching.org](mailto:brenda@belifecoaching.org)** if you wish to join the study or call the church office if you need additional information.

### The Divine Dance: The Trinity and Your Transformation

7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. – Library

We will read and discuss **The Divine Dance: The Trinity and Your Transformation**, by Richard Rohr with Mike Morrell, 224 pages. The Divine Dance explores the Christian doctrine of Trinity, not as a static concept, but as a dynamic, relational "dance" of love between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The class will be led by Amy Sanderson. There will be eight classes beginning January 6<sup>th</sup> and ending March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Feel free to **call, text, or email Amy with any questions. (251) 533-4080 or [amygsanderson@gmail.com](mailto:amygsanderson@gmail.com)**



## Wednesday

### One in a Million

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. – Library

We will read, watch videos, and discuss **One in a Million**, by Priscilla Shirer. The class will begin on January 7 and end on February 25. Feel free to **contact Lydia Kelly [lydia@stpaulseec.com](mailto:lydia@stpaulseec.com) or Pam Bixler [pamb@stpmobile.com](mailto:pamb@stpmobile.com) with any questions.**

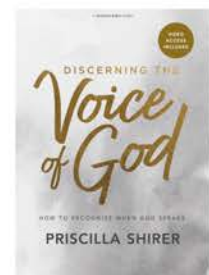
one  
in a million

Leading to you | Priscilla Shirer

### Discerning the Voice of God

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. – Library

We will read, watch videos, and discuss **Discerning the Voice of God**, by Priscilla Shirer. The class will begin on March 4 and end on April 29. Feel free to **contact Lydia Kelly [lydia@stpaulseec.com](mailto:lydia@stpaulseec.com) or Pam Bixler [pamb@stpmobile.com](mailto:pamb@stpmobile.com) with any questions.**







# Classes & Groups

## Thursday

### Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study

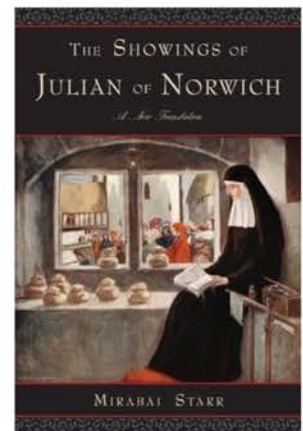
Coffee: 9:30 A.M., Lesson: 9:45 - 11:00 A.M. – Library

Our ladies Thursday morning Bible study will begin on January 8. We will go book by book through the Bible beginning with 1 Kings. There is not a study book, but participants will need to bring their Bibles and prepare for the class by reading the book that we will study in class. Anyone wishing to join the study should **contact Brenda Davis at (251) 422-6210 or [brenda@belife coaching.org](mailto:brenda@belife coaching.org)**.

### The Showings of Julian of Norwich

6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. – Library

Brad will study **The Showings of Julian of Norwich** during Lent. This class will begin on February 19 and end on March 5. Please **call the church office if you have any questions.**  
**(251) 342-8521.**



## Friday

### One in a Million

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. – Library

We will read, watch videos, and discuss **One in a Million**, by Priscilla Shirer. The class will begin on January 9 and end on February 27. Feel free to **contact Jen Gallaspy [jengallaspy1@yahoo.com](mailto:jengallaspy1@yahoo.com) or Pam Bixler [pamb@stpmobile.com](mailto:pamb@stpmobile.com) with any questions.**

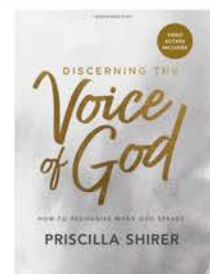
one  
in a million

coming to you personally Priscilla Shirer

### Discerning the Voice of God

9:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. – Library

We will read, watch videos, and discuss **Discerning the Voice of God**, by Priscilla Shirer. The class will begin on March 6 and end on May 1. Feel free to **contact Jen Gallaspy [jengallaspy1@yahoo.com](mailto:jengallaspy1@yahoo.com) or Pam Bixler [pamb@stpmobile.com](mailto:pamb@stpmobile.com) with any questions.**



## Worship & Connect



### Connect

New or visiting today?  
We'd love to get to know you.



### Engage

Interested in joining a group  
or ministry?  
See where you can plug in.



### Pray

Can we pray for you?  
Scan to submit your request.

*Do not worry about anything, but in everything  
by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving  
let your requests be made known to God.  
Philippians 4:6*



### Give

Scan to give via ACH or credit card.

*Do not neglect to do good and to share  
what you have, for such sacrifices are  
pleasing to God.  
Hebrews 13:16*







# SAINT PAUL'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

4051 Old Shell Road | Mobile, AL 36608  
(251) 342-8521 | stpaulschurchmobile.com

Non-Profit  
Organization  
U.S. Postage

**PAID**

Mobile, AL  
Permit #61

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

### Clergy and Staff

The Reverend Jody Burnett, Rector  
The Reverend Bradford L. Clark, Curate  
The Reverend Canon David Johnson, Priest Associate  
The Reverend Michael Ballard, Priest Associate  
The Reverend Roger C. Porter, Rector Emeritus  
Mrs. Peggy Lyden, Organist, Director of Music  
Mrs. Teri Williams, Assistant Music Director  
Mrs. Brenda Ferguson, Financial Administrator  
Mrs. Pam Bixler, Parish Administrator  
Mrs. Miranda Dismukes, Youth Director/Parish Life  
Miss Pam Moore, Sunday School Director  
Mrs. Erin Schwant, Head of the Early Education Center  
Mrs. Virginia Crawford, Assistant Head of School and Admissions  
Mrs. Elizabeth Parnell, Administrative Assistant  
Archivists – Mrs. Janet Bridges, Mrs. Mary Horner, Ms. Sarah Whitfield  
Ms. Kim Wood, Ms. Jackie McConaha

### Vestry

Dr. Gaines Thomas, Senior Warden  
Mr. Jeff Luther, Junior Warden  
Mr. Tim DeLong, Treasurer  
Mr. L. Robert Shreve, Clerk  
Mr. Jim Newman, Chancellor  
Mrs. Kelly Sheppard, ECW President

### Acolyte Advisers

Mrs. Catherine Tubbs  
Mrs. Dalton Daves  
Mrs. Ann Marie Brooks  
Mrs. Patricia Powe  
Mr. Staples Wood

### Flower Guild Chairs

Mrs. Judy Campbell  
Mrs. Carol McMurphy

### Altar Guild Co-Directors

Mrs. Allane Hybart  
Mrs. Molly Hunter

### Sexton

Mr. Winfred Lee  
Mr. Johnny Smith

### Sunday Worship

#### Holy Eucharist

8:00 A.M. – Little Church

#### Family Worship Service

10:00 A.M. – Big Church

#### Holy Eucharist

5:00 P.M. – Little Church

### Wednesday Worship

#### Holy Eucharist

7:00 A.M. – Little Church  
10:00 A.M. – Little Church  
Healing Service follows  
5:30 P.M. – Little Church

### Morning Prayer

#### Weekdays

8:30 A.M. – Little Church