

## **From Fall to Feast of Lights:** *Renewal, Gratitude, and Hope*

### **In this issue:**

As the seasons turn and our community regathers, this issue of *Parish Life* invites you into a time of spiritual renewal, faithful gratitude, and Gospel hope. Inside, you'll find stories of reconnection through the new program year, reflections on why we give, and a preview of the meaningful worship and outreach ahead during Advent and Christmas. With voices from St. Paul's ministries, this issue celebrates the gifts we share and the promises we prepare for together. Whether you're returning, recommitting, or just beginning, there's a place for you in this season of grace.

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# Here's to the Ordinary: Renewal, Gratitude, and Hope

by The Rev. Dr. D. Dixon Kinser



As I write this, I can hear the RJ Reynolds drum corps and marching band practicing across Hanes Park from my office. That echoing sound of percussion and brass has become an annual, auditory reminder that fall is indeed coming.

In the liturgical calendar, Fall happens during Ordinary time. This is the season after Pentecost that brings vibrant green altar hangings, in-sequence readings from the synoptic Gospels, and lasts from Trinity Sunday until the first Sunday of Advent. The word "ordinary" comes from the ordinal numerals (numbers in sequence that proceed in a ranked order) by which the weeks after Pentecost are counted. The season's orientation is one of growth and formation. So, as opposed to the festal cycle of the year, which maps onto the biblical accounts of Incarnation, resurrection, and the church's proclamation, Ordinary time is a lot of the same. Punctuated by a few major feasts (All Saints!), the season is long and provides as many as 26 weeks of Sunday consistency. Which means Ordinary time is a great season to build new habits.

Benedictine nun and author Joan Chittister writes that, "Ordinary time is not ordinary. It is the time that tests the soul." I have always appreciated this framing for the season. Ordinary time is not plain,

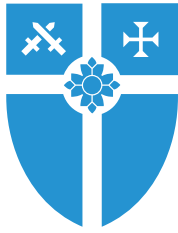
but instead constant. It sets the table for soul growth and life change by providing the worshipper with a context to develop new rhythms and behaviors. Our soul can be tested because of the opportunity the season creates for endurance.

Contained in this issue of Parish life are stories of renewal, gratitude, and hope. Each of these is a core dynamic of the Christian life, yet they do not happen by accident - they happen on purpose. They flow from choices we make to steer into God's call in our lives and the testing of our souls.

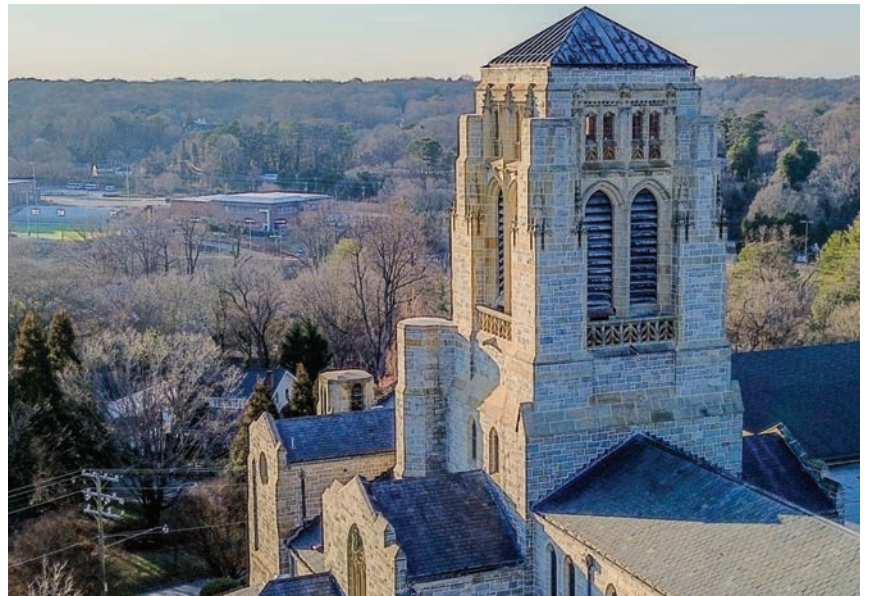
**"Ordinary time is not ordinary. It is the time that tests the soul." Joan Chittister**

As you read this issue, consider where the Holy Spirit may be inviting you to test your soul during this Ordinary time. Is there a new ministry to invest in? Is there a devotional habit you want to develop? Are there any places you need to let something go? Pray on these things and as the book of Hebrews counsels us, "let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us" (12:1). We are St. Paul's and this is what we do. Here's to the ordinary!





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## About St. Paul's: *Faith in action, boundless love, hope for all.*

**Currently**, St. Paul's has many ways to worship, both in-person and online. Our regular Sunday service times until Memorial Day are 7:30 am (Spoken, Rite 1), 9 am (Rite 2), 11:15 am (Rite 2), and 5 pm (Rite 2 or Evensong). During the summer, we worship in person at 8 AM (Rite 1), 10 AM (Rite 2), and 5 PM (Rite 2) with the 10 AM service also livestreamed.

St. Paul's is a vibrant and welcoming parish in the heart of downtown Winston-Salem. Grounded in the grace of God and guided by the love of Christ, we come together in worship, formation, and community so that we may go out to serve. With a rich history and a deep commitment to the present, St. Paul's offers both sanctuary and challenge—a place to grow in faith, to be transformed, and to share God's light in the world. Rooted in love, we are called to live with compassion and purpose, **radically loving our neighbors** in all we do.

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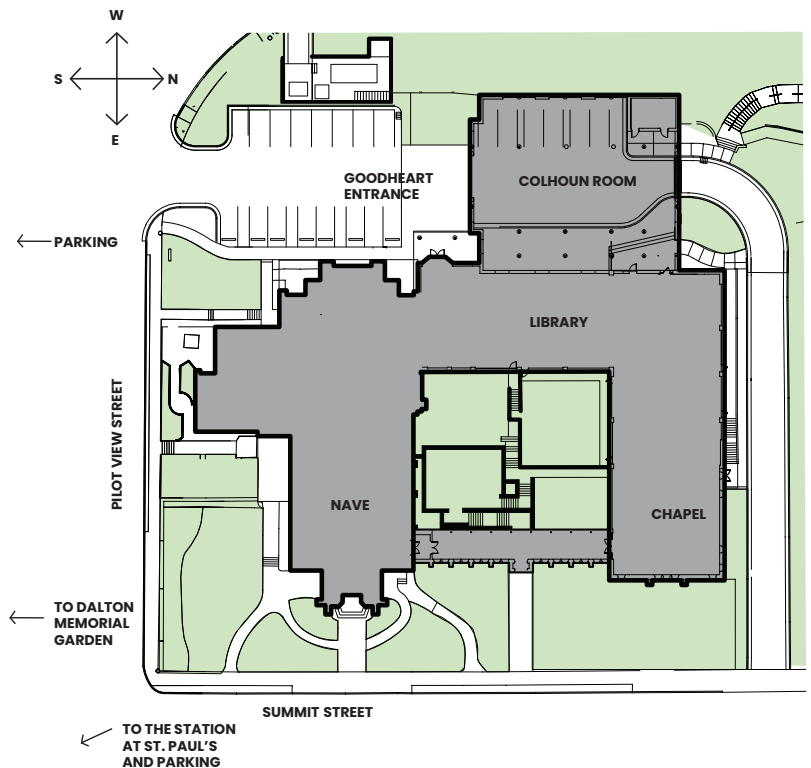
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# new Offerings

by the Rev. Lucy Strandlund




I am one of those people who loves to shop for school supplies at the beginning of each year. While I don't know how often

students these days use composition books, I always loved cracking open a fresh one for the brand new semester. I loved freshening my stock of pens and favorite pencils and getting my binders organized with my new syllabi. While I am no longer in school, preparing our Fall 2025 slate of small groups and classes gives me the same kind of excitement.

Formation for adults at St. Paul's includes not only the Sunday morning classes and ongoing small groups, but also a new series of book studies, Sunday afternoon seminars, and retreats offered by the Lantern Initiative. The Lantern Initiative is now in its third year and is intended to provide a variety of ways to grow in our spiritual lives, both individually and as a community. A guiding image as we put together this year's offerings was the figure of Wisdom from the Old Testament. In Proverbs, Wisdom is a character who stands at the city gates and at the busiest intersections, calling out and inviting all to come and feast at her table. She welcomes them to come and learn about the ways of wisdom and how it leads into more abundant life in God. I kept thinking about this passage of scripture as I reflected on

the rich wisdom available to us from one another, from our Anglican tradition, and from scripture. The Lantern offerings this year provide a way to feast on this wisdom together and witness how it can nourish us in our spiritual journeys and through difficult seasons.

So as we continue into a new school year, I invite you to take a look at the Lantern offerings and other adult formation opportunities. Maybe one or more of them will bring you that "new school supplies" excitement and a hunger to learn, whether you're in school now or have been out of school for decades. Here are a few to consider:

We also have returning offerings, like Sacred Ground and the Living Compass Wellness Circle, and new upcoming retreats on the Enneagram, the prayerful practice of creating an icon, and on the apostle Paul as a mystic and contemplative. 

## 52 Ways to Walk

This group meets most Saturdays this Fall and Spring to walk or hike together along different routes in various locations, following the guidance in the book *52 Ways to Walk* by Annabel Abbs-Streets.



## The Art of Remembering

On All Soul's Day, Nov 2, learn how art can tell the story of love and loss.

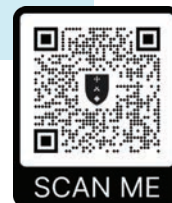
## Theological Reflection Group

Practice noticing and reflecting on where and how God shows up in our everyday, ordinary lives. No scriptural or theological expertise required!

Tuesdays thru December, 6-7:30 PM

## Mindful Dads

a small group reflecting on the intersection between parenting and spiritual practice on Sundays during the formation hour



For any of these Lantern Initiatives, please refer to your E-news or newsletter for dates and time. For more Lantern Initiative classes, pick up a Lantern Initiative brochure, located in the Nave or at Reception Desk, or scan the QR code above.




# dreambig

by the Rev. Nick Van Horn,  
and Rev. Lauren Villemeur-Drenth



Children's Ministry focuses on sharing God's love with our children and their families. It helps children build a strong foundation in their relationship with God and with each other. Each month we have a children and/or family event. On October 26, we are doing Fall Family Fun at Frye's Farm. This is for fellowship and to have some fun together outside of the church building. On November 23, we are having our Advent Family Fun-shop. This is to help families explore and choose different ways to keep a holy Advent at home. Stations are set up for exploration and for making or doing things. All stations have activities to do at home. This takes place at 10:15 AM. In December, we have Las Posadas on December 14 at 4:00 PM. We travel with Mary and Joseph as they look for a place to stay upon their arrival in Bethlehem. We sing songs of comfort as we move door to door, house to house, looking for room. Once welcomed in a stable, we have a celebration with pinata and cookies. On Christmas Eve, we do our annual Christmas Pageant at 11:00 AM. All children are welcomed and may choose a costume and participate. We sing carols and tell the story of Jesus' birth. Besides these special events, Children's Ministry is happening every Sunday with Children's Chapel, Sunday School (Formation), and Daring Disciples (twice a month). There is something for everyone. 

What excites me about launch a new program year is meeting new youth and their families as well as being able to share what being a youth at St. Paul's is all about! When I am able to share with a parent that their youth is welcome fully being who God intended them to be without prejudice but rather acceptance and love, as a parent myself, this can be refreshing. I also get excited about reconnecting the youth teams back together — both the EYC leadership and the formation teaching team. Throughout the summer, I spend time with youth and leaders to get their insights and reflections on the previous year to see what worked, what needs to change, and how we can move forward. At St. Paul's, we are encouraged to dream big understanding that we have been given the grace to try something different even though it may not work, but the possibilities of a new idea is always thrilling. 



# Let it be sung

by Dr. John Cummins, Organist/Choirmaster  
and Dr. Robert Poovey, Master of Choristers and Schola




As many of you know, us musician types tend to spend lots of time collaborating with each other because we love what we do. Two of the organizations to which I belong are the Association of Anglican Musicians and the American Guild

of Organists. Through these organizations we get to know each other and compare stories and experiences, and of course, play and sing together.

A couple of years ago I took a trip to Charlottesville, Virginia to visit St. Paul's Memorial Church, and Episcopal parish on the University of Virginia campus. They too have an organ by Ernest M. Skinner and it was being renovated by the A. Thompson Allen Company of New Haven, Connecticut, the same company that restored ours back in the 1990s.

I asked their Director of Music, Deke Poifka if he thought their choir would enjoy collaborating with ours to sing together in our respective churches. He was enthusiastic about it and so was their choir. It took two years to find a date to finally sing together. On November 8 & 9, 2025 they will join us here in Winston-Salem to rehearse and socialize and offer our musical gifts together at the 11:15am service on November 9.

Yet another joyful coincidence between the two parishes is that the Polifka's oldest daughter, Elle is a freshman at UNCSA studying violin and she is now singing regularly in the St. Paul's Choir each week.

We hope you will join us at the 11:15 service on November 9th to help welcome our other St. Paul's neighbors from Virginia. 




Since January I've been leading the Choristers and Schola at St. Paul's. Working with children and youth has always been my favorite part of being a church musician, and I never could have imagined, particularly at this point in my

vocational life, serving in a position where that's my primary focus. For me, there's nothing like seeing young people get excited about music!

Our program includes 47 children and youth, plus 8 adults (who sing alto, tenor, and bass with the Choristers). This fall we welcomed 17 new Novices (for a total of 23!), It's a joy not only to help them begin to find their voices but also to have their parents so actively involved and supportive. Our rehearsals are more than just practice—they're a place for these young people to learn about singing and the church, to grow, and to have fun together.

The 24 Choristers (the more experienced singers) are off to a terrific start for this season as well. This fall we welcomed four new singers, each of whom spent at least one season as a Novice. In addition to their weekly Sunday singing, the Choristers and Schola (the adults) will offer Choral Evensong on November 2 and Advent Lessons and Carols on December 7.

Outside of my work at St. Paul's, I enjoy reading. I'm designing a 2nd pipe organ for our home (yes, really...we already have one which I designed and built several years ago!) I am also preparing for an organ recital at The Cathedral of St. Philip in Atlanta for March.

Music has always been at the heart of what I do, whether it's working with young people, designing pipe organs, or getting ready for a recital...but what "feeds" me most is working with amazing singers, parents, and our wonderful staff at St. Paul's. 

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# we may have different gifts, BUT THE WORLD, AND THE CHURCH NEEDS THEM ALL



**"Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as good stewards of God's grace in its various forms."**

—1 Peter 4:8–10

Like many couples preparing for marriage, Mark and I met several times with our minister during our engagement. In one of those early meetings, he noted something we already knew: we are completely different. We talked at length about how our differences might show up in our marriage. I'm outgoing and will talk to just about anyone. Mark is friendly but more introverted. He's great at math; I love to read. I watch old TV shows; he only watches sports. Mark likes to save—I will find it on sale.

At our next meeting, our minister shared this passage from 1 Peter. It struck such a chord with us that we printed it on the back page of our wedding program. The message is clear: we may have different gifts, but the world—and the Church—needs them all. I think Peter would agree with the wisdom from the great Paula Abdul: "Opposites attract."

Earlier this year, while struggling to choose a theme for St. Paul's Annual Stewardship Campaign, I came across that old wedding program. It felt like a God moment. That verse from 1 Peter speaks not just to marriage, but to church life, too. We are a community made up of people with different strengths, different passions, and different callings—but we are all called to use our gifts in service to God.

1 Peter offers two beautiful messages that I see alive at St. Paul's.

The first is: "Love each other deeply, because love covers a multitude of sins." As Lucy said in a recent sermon, it's tiresome to call these "divisive times"—but they are. The news often feels heavy, full of conflict and uncertainty. And yet, here at St. Paul's, we see something different: growth, vitality, and a hunger for authentic Christian community.


There are not many Episcopal churches in the U.S. that can claim to be growing or to have over 400 people in worship on Sunday. But at St. Paul's, we are doing both. People are drawn here because we are a place where differences are not just tolerated—they're celebrated. We are united in Christ. Whether you've been here for decades or just a few Sundays, you've likely felt the energy in the pews. It is a blessing to have a church with pews full of all ages on a Sunday morning.

The second message from 1 Peter is: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as good stewards of God's grace." That call to stewardship is woven into everything we do here at St. Paul's. True to form, Mark and I have found our own ways to be involved. He has served on the finance committee; I've found joy in the Flower Guild and as a Chalice Bearer. Our kids sing in the choir and recently joined EYC. And we all love going to Kanuga!

At the most recent Parish Fair, many tables showcased the diverse ways to serve at St. Paul's. If you haven't already, I encourage you to jump in. Share your gifts. You'll meet wonderful people and experience joyful fellowship along the way.

But behind all this vibrant ministry is the foundation that makes it possible: financial resources. Supporting a church of this size and scope takes commitment—from all of us. Stewardship isn't just about filling a budget; it's about responding to God's call to be generous with what we've been given.

As Dixon recently said, giving to the church is a spiritual practice. Serving on the Stewardship Committee has helped Mark and me see this more clearly. Each year, we discuss what we can pledge and submit that amount so the church can plan and budget. Some years we can give more, which is wonderful—but it's important to us that we make a commitment early, prayerfully, and intentionally. It's part of our spiritual discipline, and we can both say with great certainty that every year we receive more than we could ever give.

So this year, as you reflect on your own gifts—of time, talent, and treasure—we invite you to join us and those serving on the Stewardship Committee. Be a good steward of God's grace. Get involved. Give generously. Celebrate our differences. And watch what wonderful things grow from our shared effort and faith. 




# why I give

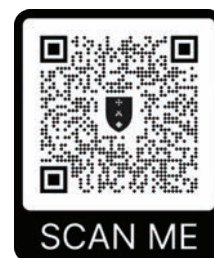
by Ruth Sartin



Having recently retired from teaching English at R.J. Reynolds High School for 26 years, I am often asked "are you bored yet?" or "what do you do now?". It is so nice to say I am never bored because I have found opportunities at St. Paul's to get involved with some wonderful ministries and wonderful people. We are a community of God's love in action. This is why I give!

Seven years ago, Vickie Robbins asked me to join the Summer Enrichment steering committee. It was the best "yes" I have ever said. For the past 52 years, on average 50 young people, ages 7 to 14, spend 4 weeks swimming at Winston Waterworks, visiting farms and museums, skating, bowling, learning to cook, sew and so much more. Breakfast and lunch is prepared by Denise Golsby and served by volunteers. Rhett Butler, Aleisha Oakes and counselors are dedicated and loving leaders. I'm happy to have the moniker of "the lunch lady" by the campers and look forward to seeing so many return year after year. Summer Enrichment is made possible through our Outreach Program and our pledges that sustain it. Truly, God's love in action. This is why I give!

St. Paul's parishioners give selflessly of their time and talents as well. I volunteer at the front desk on Tuesdays. This opportunity has allowed me to see first-hand how we "love others as you love yourself". Just recently I was in awe at the mountain of backpacks donated, the countless boxes of diapers donated, and the snacks for our Kid's Cafe program. Each Monday, the Surprise Flower Guild led by Sally Engram makes beautiful arrangements from Sunday's altar flowers to be delivered to parishioners who are ill or experiencing a life event. Meals for the Center for Hope are dropped off each Wednesday. God's love in action IS St. Paul's. This is why I give!" 



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STEWARDSHIP



# A better way to prepare

by The Rev. Erika L. Takacs



I recently heard an interview with one of my favorite writers in which he described his morning routine. It wasn't so unusual—get up, drink some coffee, get down to writing. What was surprising, at least to the interviewer, was that this

writer doesn't look at his phone before he starts writing. He doesn't check his email, he doesn't look at social media to see if anyone has liked his posts. He doesn't even check the news to see what beautiful (or tragic) thing might have happened overnight. He just gets up and, completely oblivious to whatever might be going on in the world around him, writes.

When the interviewer asked him about this practice, the writer said something like this: "There are an infinite number of things out there that want your attention—politicians, influencer's, corporations. But just because they want your attention doesn't mean that you have

to give it to them. You get to choose what you pay attention to, and the best way to practice that is to start the day doing something you choose yourself, without any other influence."

important, wisdom. You and I have a limited amount of time on this earth, and we can really only pay attention to one thing at a time. What will we choose to pay attention to?

The season of Advent is how the Church has, for centuries, addressed the very same question. We humans tend to get caught up, living busily,

and often unconsciously. Advent is a time when the Church invites us to slow down and be intentional about what we pay attention to—to notice what we notice. It is the most counter-cultural thing

## Advent Sunday

Erika Takacs

We turn the year with waiting.  
How wonderful

and strange, to choose for a beginning a day

when nothing at all has happened.

sits simply, without any feast or new flame,

as the earth spins steadily into darkness

and every altar stands as bare as bone.

The banquet is far off, but here we speak


our hope into the morning silence:

this emptiness is still the start of things.



we do all year, to choose to slow down and pay attention when the rest of the world is clamoring for us to speed up to meet the needs of the “holiday season.” Advent offers us a better way—a better way to prepare for Christ’s coming, a better way to be the people God made us to be, a better way to live all year long.

The practice of paying attention is one of the reasons why I love poetry. Poetry encourages us

to pay attention to words in a different way than we normally do—sometimes because we read a word we didn’t expect, sometimes because a line break literally makes us pause in the midst of a thought. So this Advent, I encourage you to treat this season like poetry. Slow down. Read your life slowly. Let yourself be surprised. Allow your heart to wait. And may the blessings of the season be made known to you in whatever you choose to pay attention to. 



**In 2026, St. Paul’s will embark in our sesquicentennial celebration:** 150 years of being St. Paul’s. Several guest preachers will join us throughout the year including:

- **The Rev. Dr. Jane Patterson** – Jan 23–25: Retreat leader for “Christ Living in Me: Paul the Pastoral Mystic” and preacher for the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.
- **The Very Rev. Dr. Andrew McGowan** – Mar 29: Dean of Berkeley Divinity School at Yale and noted Anglican scholar.
- **The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry** – May 17: Former Presiding Bishop and one of the most dynamic preachers of our time.
- **The Rev. Canon Kelly Brown Douglas** – Jun 28: Canon Theologian at the Washington National Cathedral and author of “Resurrection Hope.”
- **The Rt. Rev. J. Neil Alexander** – Nov 1: Former Bishop of Atlanta and Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer.

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# in Anticipation



Advent is a time of spiritual reflection as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior. As you might imagine, the Flower Guild at St. Paul's is also busy preparing. But long before the start of Advent, the four co-chairs, Betty Butler, Kristie Blanco, Melissa Rogan and Susan Gordon meet with the Clergy to present a plan for adorning the Nave throughout the four Sundays in Advent leading up to our Christmas Eve services. The colors for the four Sundays in Advent are incorporated into floral arrangements as candles on the Advent wreath are lit each week. Evergreen boughs are cut and wreaths are hung with special attention given to keeping all greenery hydrated, ensuring its longevity throughout the season. As the holy day of Christmas grows

ever closer, adornment of the Nave increases every Sunday. Each of the floral components is designed to showcase the beautiful architectural elements of our worship space using God's natural creations which are brought inside for all to enjoy.

So while many are shopping for last minute gifts, baking treats for visiting family or socializing with friends, the Flower Guild Committee members are spending their last few days leading up to Christmas Eve on final preparations for St. Paul's. As the choir members and musicians share their joyful sounds during rehearsals, the "flower ladies" scurry around piles of greenery, buckets of flowers and carts laden with poinsettias to complete the beautification. When parishioners arrive for






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worship they will enjoy the results. The High Altar, Side Altar, 2 Christmas trees, Chancel desks, Pulpit, 10 candle standards, 16 windows, 4 columns, the Advent wreath, front doors, the balcony wall and



2 Crosses are all dressed in their Christmas finery as if to proclaim the Good News: Unto us a Child is born who will be Christ the Lord! 

# Transitions at St. Paul's

April 28, 2025 to October 15, 2025

## Births

**Ross Patrick Wilson**, Apr 29, 2025, son of Sam Wilson and Jacqueline Gerson, grandson of Suzanna Watkins and Jeff Wilson, great-grandson of Nancy Watkins

**George Tyson Tamer**, Jul 16, 2025, son of Andrew and Katie Tamer, grandson of David and Vicki Tamer

**Graham Joseph Barnett**, Jul 22, 2025, son of Emily and Jack Barnett, grandson of Lisa and David Rowell.

**Margot James Hallman**, Jul 31, 2025, daughter of Molly and Cameron Hallman

**Haven Laughlin Harris**, Sep, 26, 2025, great granddaughter of Lynda Dixon

**Jackson Antonino Cangialosi**, Oct 14, 2025, grandson of Betsy Reiners.

## Baptisms

**Elizabeth Bobbi Beckham**, Jun 8, 2025, daughter of Nancy and Cameron Beckham

**Audrey Alice Brun, Ethan Robert Brun, Clara Suzanne Brun, Jacob William Brun**, Jun 8, 2025, children of Erin Branch and Lukas Brun

**Lawson Thomas Klutz**, Jun 8, 2025, son of Rebecca and Lawson Klutz

**Juliette Ann Hoffman**, Aug 17, 2025, daughter of Abby and Justin Hoffman

**Audra Mae Tamer**, Aug 17, 2025, daughter of Victoria and Matt Tamer

**Robert Hanes Crockett**, Aug 17, 2025, son of Sarah and Lucian Crockett

## Marriages

**Anna Caudill and Neal Parker**, May 10, 2025

**Hazel Bost and Frank Cangialosi**, May 24, 2025

**Stella McAuley and Drew McDaniel**, May 31, 2025

**Maddie Wierbach and Taylor Smilnak**, May 31, 2025

**Austin Conger and Stephen Folwell**, Jun 14, 2025

**Rylee Fanfan and Paul Dahlem**, Jul 01, 2025

**Carly Little and Grant Pease**, Jul 12, 2025

## New Members

**Fidel Roldan**

**Brianna Riley**

**Ann Dunn Andracchio and Elizabeth Constantine and son Mark Andrew**

**Turner Trotter**

**Amanda and Ian Phillips and children Emmie and Margot**

**Macy Egerton and Tom Lycan**

## Deaths

**Dawn Rodgers**, Apr 28, 2025

**Bill Rahn**, May 10, 2025, husband of Anne Rahn

**Ellen Dilorenzo**, May 12, 2025, sister of Susan Davis and aunt of Shannon Faircloth

**Holley Broughton**, May 13, 2025, sister in law of David Broughton

**Sally Reed**, May 31, 2025

**Curtis Cassotis**, Jun 3, 2025, father of Cameron Rodriguez-Hunter.

**Penni Bradshaw**, Jun 5, 2025, Wife of Mike Bradshaw and mother of Chris Bradshaw

**Louise Heedon**, Jun 06, 2025

**Samuel Marion Stone IV**, Jun 6, 2025, father of Clare Jordan and grandfather of Katie Gray Jackson, Hattie & Sarah Altmann

**Patricia Ward Capps**, Jun 6, 2025, mother of Jordan Capps, mother in law to Brian Hoffman, grandmother of Winston, Harper and Charlie Hoffman

**Marilyn Minford**, Jun 14, 2025, mother of Scott Cawood, mother in law of Greer and grandmother of Emmie Cawood

**Amshatar Monroe**, Jun 26, 2025, mother of Esharan Monroe-Johnson

**Nancy Platt Van Orden**, Jun 28, 2025, mother of Anne Butler

**Charles Glaize**, Jun 30, 2025, uncle of Anna Grace Glaize

**Ian Bryce Weeks**, Jul 05, 2025, father of Alistair Jinnah Weeks

**Rhett Williams**, Jul 11, 2025, nephew to Warren Allen.

**Pat Avram**, Jul 11, 2025

**Jane Butler**, Jul 14, 2025, mother of Norman Butler, mother in law of Betty Butler

**Abner Steele**, Jul 14, 2025, brother of Jim Steele

**Barbara Taylor**, Jul 21, 2025

**Jack Ferner**, Jul 25, 2025, husband of Judy Ferner

**Kathy Long**, Jul 29, 2025, mother of Chuck Long

**Stuart Claassen**, Aug 16, 2025, father of Cindy Kluttz, father-in-law of Bob Kluttz, Jr. and grandfather of Lynn and Robert.

**Mildred Kolb**, Aug 19, 2025, mother of Kathy Hardison, mother-in-law of Jim Hardison and grandmother of Jimbo Hardison

**Carolyn Nash Phillips**, Aug 20, 2025, mother of Matthew Phillips, mother-in-law of Heather and grandmother of Grady and Ellie

**David Morris**, Aug 31, 2025, uncle of Elizabeth Walsh

**Woodus Kellum Humphrey**, Sep 01, 2025, uncle of George Humphrey

**Lela Busey**, Sep 12, 2025

**Nancy Watkins**, Sep 29, 2025, mother of Suzanna Watkins, mother-in-law of Jeff Wilson, grandmother of Sam and Joe Wilson

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# JOIN US THIS Advent & Christmas 2025

**December 7**

5:30 PM: Advent Procession with Lessons & Carols

**December 14**

4:00 PM: Los Pasados

**December 17**

5:30 PM: Feast of St. Thomas Service

**December 21**

5 PM: A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

**December 24**

11 AM: Holy Eucharist with Christmas Pageant

3 PM: Holy Eucharist

5 PM: Holy Eucharist

11 PM: Holy Eucharist with Incense

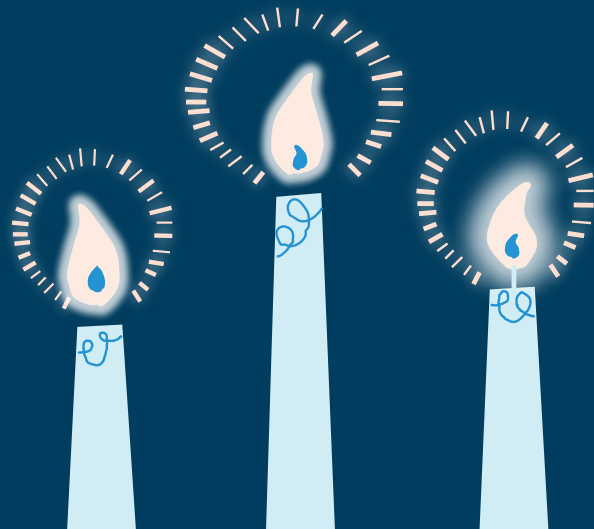
**December 25**

10 AM: Holy Eucharist

**January 7, 2026**

8 & 10 AM: Holy Eucharist

5 PM: Feast of Lights



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