



Spiritus Gladius

The Weekly News Letter of the Collegiate Church of
Saint Paul the Apostle, Savannah

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday	Mary and Martha of Bethany MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
Tuesday	William Wilberforce MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE/HS 6:00pm
Wednesday	Ignatius of Loyola Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	Joseph of Arimathaea MP 9:00 am HE/HS 10:00am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
Friday	Samuel Ferguson Lauds 6:45am HE 7:00am

MP - Morning Prayer HS - Healing Service
HE - Holy Eucharist EP - Evening Prayer

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost July 28, 2019

8:00 a.m.	Low Mass
9:15 a.m.	Christian Education
9:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
10:00 a.m.	Solemn High Mass
12:15 p.m.	Misa en Español
5:30 p.m.	Evensong (weekly) & Benediction (4 th Sunday)
6:30 p.m.	Evening Mass

There is a 3 pm Mass at St. Bartholomew's,
Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the
2nd and 4th Sundays of the Month

The Propers

[Genesis 18:20-32](#)
[Psalm 138](#)
[Colossians 2:6-15, \(16-19\)](#)
[Luke 11:1-13](#)

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday
10 am - 12 pm / closed on Friday
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REFLECTIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

At our very core as a nation the dark shadow of racism stalks our history. What can we do as individual Christians and the community which is the Body of Christ to change the face of Racism today? The first and most important thing is not to accept the status quo. Human relationships are always in need of improvement. This is particularly true of relations which have such a long, dark and bloody history attached to it. God never intended nor does the Holy one who created us, support racial division or the attendant tensions associated with the barriers we construct. Train yourself to think pro-actively with regards to Racism. The social, cultural and I'm afraid at times religious deck has been stacked in favor of its continuation. Our story as a nation is littered with broken treaties, deportations, slave and forced labor, exploitation of cheap labor and the general degradation of human beings because they are different from the majority or those with power and money or are perceived as a threat to our economic welfare. Slang names have been employed to diminish the worth of others. Political parties and avaricious politicians have cultivated the fears and prejudices of the electorate in ways that only exacerbate racial divisions.

This leads to my second point - do not affect or promote historical amnesia. Also be willing to struggle with minority viewpoints of history. It is only when all of us no matter our racial or ethnic background can honestly come to terms with our history that we can begin to have a fighting chance. History studied with truth as its guide has a way of breaking the myths of racial and ethnic superiority. When pursued with humility its study can provide the means by which God's grace can transform our lives.

Speaking of transformation, if prayer is the means by which we come into deeper relationship with God and it is the will of the Father of us all that we love one another as He has loved the Son then prayer is most crucial to all that we do in combating this most insinuating and debilitating of sins. It is my belief that people steeped in prayer and grounded in the Gospels will have the words and the means to confront Racism, however it appears. We will also begin to see the opportunities God places before us to heal our divisions and treat each other as worthy and lovable creatures.

God has been gracious to St. Paul's, in a way increasingly common throughout the Episcopal Church. That is, within our own parish we can get to know, in one of the safest of environments, people from different racial and ethnic backgrounds as well as cultural experiences. If we become intentional about using this gift it is possible that God will bless us and use us in the building up of the Kingdom where love and justice prevail.

In recent years the Latino Community who is an integral presence at St. Paul's continues to be a gift of encouragement those beyond our community of worship not to accept the status quo. St. Paul's continues to build a reputation of being a place where the lines of racial and ethnic division are crossed and recalibrated. By cultivating this sort of community, we can address several gospel imperatives - the promotion of unity and occasions to see with eyes anew the sons and daughters which God has brought together in our area.

Working to create a community where we encourage each other to see things differently cannot help but address our divisions. This means hard work. It will be more about service than being in the spotlight. I am immediately put to mind of the need in the Episcopal Church of minority leadership and role models, both clerical and lay that enhances the dignity of all of us - hence the importance of visibility for people who are too often invisible in present American society. Making that which is invisible, visible is crucial in the fight against Racism and it is not a bad thing for a Body born of the incarnate Christ to be busy about. **WWIII**

Parish News and Events

Hymns & Music Seventh Sunday After Pentecost:

410

615

598

Doxology

Instrumental at Communion,

408

Drumfolk Shout + Music Society

Reclaiming Our Indigenous Power or Why Our Indigeneity Counts (Part II) is an evening of dialogue, film, and music about climate change, environmental harm and community interests.

MONDAY, July 29th 7p Parish Hall 1802 Abercorn St. The Collegiate Church of St. Paul the Apostle, Savannah, GA, 34th and Abercorn Street. Free. Rain or shine

Coffee Hour:

The sign-up for Coffee Hour Hosts for June and July is now available on Sign-up Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e4eaea62ca4ff2-june>.

Thank you for your support of this important ministry.

Chair Yoga

Heather Downs leads a chair yoga group in the Parish Hall every Monday at 10:30am. If you are interested, just bring your mat and show up!

Facilities Use

If you are wanting to use any part of the church for a meeting or a group, please complete a Facilities Use Form available by the door next to the Church office, so that your event may be placed on the main calendar, your space reserved, and appropriate preparations/clean-up can be arranged.

Lay Ministers 7-28-2019

8 am

Katie Willoughby (LEM)
Paul Hammond (Lector)

10am

Br. Nicolas (Sub Deacon)
Mary Willoughby (Lector)

Acolytes

Craig Hopkins
Jackson Whalen
Palmer Walker
Quinn Scott

Head Ushers

Ken Martin

Year-To-Date

Inflows June, 2019

\$217,538.97

Outflows June, 2019

\$218,808.27

Balance (-\$1,269.30)

Budget needed each week

\$8,567.00

Offering

\$3,491.00

Restricted Offering

\$60.00

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The Episcopate

The Right Reverend Scott A. Benhase D.D.

Bishop of Georgia

The Most Rev. Michael B. Curry D.D.

Primate, Episcopal Church, USA

The Most Rev & Rt Hon Justin Welby D.D.

Archbishop of Canterbury

Honorary Assistant Clergy

Canon J. Robert Carter. PhD

Fr. George B Salley, Jr

The Rev. John G Anderson

Lutheran Pastor in Residence

Staff

The Very Rev. Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OSTJ

Rector & Dean of Savannah

The Reverend Leonel Polanco

Latino Missioner

The Reverend Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB

Deacon

The Reverend Sara Zevallos, Deacon

Robert McDowell Fogle III

Music Director & Administrator

Nathan P. Wilson, Asst. to the Dean

Joe Daniels, Sexton

Victor Moreno, Pastoral Assistant

Colleen Willoughby

Convo Coordinator

Grace Downs, Children's Ministries

& Children's Choir

The Vestry

Sarah Ward, Senior Warden, '22

Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '21

Heather Downs, Clerk, '21

Jim Burch '20, Cuffy Sullivan, '20

Marsha Tolbert, '20, Dan Porter, '20,

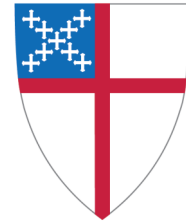
Kris Lee, '21, Jerry Riley, '21

Ana Carter, '22, John Ely, '22

Lorna Smith, '22

Carl Pruetz Treasurer

Thanksgivings & Memorials



*If you wish to give flowers or
candles in honor or in memory of
a loved one, please sign up on the
forms located on the bulletin
board in the parish hall.*

Birthdays

Steve Crain (31)

Departed

Walter Thomas Hopkins (31)
