



Spiritus Gladius

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

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday	Albrech Durer, Matthias Grunewald, Lucas Cranach the Elder MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
Tuesday	The Transfiguration of Our Lord MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE/HS 6:00pm
Wednesday	John Mason Neale Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	Dominic MP 9:00 am HE/HS 10:00am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
Friday	Herman of Alaska Lauds 6:45am HE 7:00am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm

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

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost August 4, 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

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23
Psalm 49:1-11
Colossian 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Listening is a lost art in our culture. When you think about it this is amazing, given what we know about the power of listening to change hearts and minds. Have we forgotten how important listening is for the general health of society and our own personal wellbeing? As I survey the media, popular and technical, I have come to believe that most of us think that we are listening and that we are open to ideas and approaches which will benefit all people. We have not lost our collective belief in the power of listening; rather we have lost a common definition which allows us to communicate on the most fundamental levels. Instead of being present to the possibility that another person's perspective might possess the light of truth we listen for ways to defend our fiercely held position and undermine the other person's insights. Even when we have enough humility to make ourselves truly vulnerable to a differing perspective, fear of being inconsistent or a traitor to the cause often saps the good will and larger perspective which are possible in moments of deep listening.

After more than thirty-seven years of service in the life of the Church I have seen how powerful the inability to practice listening, which is truly open, vulnerable and engaged can have on all concerned. The possibility of reaching a different conclusion from the ones already held by the various participants must be the subtext of all discussion in the life of the Church. This includes language derived from what I believe are the axiomatic positions of the faith as defined by the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed. Questions help us refine our adherence to truth if pursued with humility and pure intentions. They do not undermine the strength of faith assertions revealed in the person of Christ Jesus and sustained by the relationships which are ours by the gift of the Holy Spirit. Rather questions provide us with opportunities to make these time-tested markers of God's desire to bring all creation into unity with God and each other.

Christ Jesus gave us the gift of the Church and the community it entails so that we might pursue truth and the submission it requires. At the heart of living in the Body of Christ is the acceptance that each member of the Baptized is not only loved by God but is a gift to the community which makes up the flesh and blood reality of the Church. We are the continuation of the Incarnation in time and space. If God does not ignore but rather uses our frail human nature to promote and build the Kingdom, then shouldn't we cultivate ways of engaging Christian life which honor and respect each other? Scripture and the practice of the Church across the ages bear witness to the means of that cultivation. It is through prayer and real conversation, the pursuit of friendship and the admiration of the many gifts which God has given us, that such cultivation takes root. This includes becoming vulnerable to friend and stranger and being open to all forms of engagement with the truth including music and science, along with the beauty of art and nature. It is my profound hope that St. Paul's is a place where such things happen and are encouraged. May we experience as Community, rooted in God's triune nature, the desire of God for connection through our manifold differences. **WWIII**

Parish News and Events

Hymns & Music Eighth Sunday After Pentecost:

435,594,701, Doxology
Instrumental at Communion, 574

Coffee Hour:

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

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4EAEA62CA4FF2-august>

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.

Ordination of Rev. Samantha McKean

God willing and the people consenting, the Rt. Rev. Scott Anson Benhase, 10th Bishop of Georgia, will ordain The Rev. Samantha McKean, Deacon, to the Sacred Order of Priests on Saturday, August 17 at 10:30 am, Christ Church. Your prayers and presence are requested.

Funeral Mass for Jack Faucette

Please pray for the soul of Jack Faucette. His Mass of the Resurrection will be held on Thursday, August 1 at 2:00 p.m., at St. Paul's Church. Reception to follow.

Feast of St. Mary the Virgin

August 15 is a major feast day in both the west and the east. On this date, the Roman Church celebrates the Assumption of Mary, or her bodily ascent into Heaven after her death, while the Eastern Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition, or Falling Asleep of Mary, also referring to the end of her life on earth. The Episcopal Church and much of the wider Anglican Communion calls this day the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ. While this title doesn't focus specifically on the end of Mary's life, as the Roman and Eastern feast names do, we still use the same prayers and lessons as these two older traditions. The August 15th date is transferred to the nearest Sunday, August 18. All masses on that day will be in celebration of this great Feast of Our Lady.

Volunteer and Support Backpack Buddies

With the start of school next week, St. Paul's begins the Backpack Buddies program. This program is designed to provide low-income children and their siblings with nutritional one-step meals that they may otherwise not have on weekends away from school. This parish has been very supportive of this ministry over the past eight years. To support this ministry, please write "Backpack" on the memo line of your check. If you are interested in volunteering to help in delivery or preparation, please contact Deacon Sue at (912) 398-0390 or deaonsue@stpaulsavannah.org

Lay Ministers 8-4-2019

8 am

John Ely (LEM)
Bonnie Tyler (Lector)

10am

Jim Weathers (Sub Deacon)
Billy Wooten (Lector)

Acolytes

Roy Morris
Zachary Morris
Collin Parker
Garrett Shoemake
Olive Ward
Wyeth Ward

Head Ushers

Ron Anderson

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
\$4,178.00

Restricted Offering
\$55.00

St Paul's Collegiate Church

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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

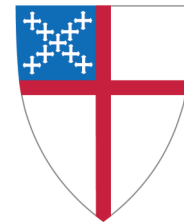
The Vestry

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

Sanctuary Altar Lamp

The Altar lamp is given in thanksgiving for the birthday of Christian Tjosvold, grandson of Deacon Sue Gahagan



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

Diana Gladden (3)
Fr. Bob Carter (5)

Departed

Jack Haywood Faucette
(7-28-19)
Lisa Hayes