



Spiritus Gladius

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

The Weekday Kalendar

Monday	Constance, Nun, and her Companions MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
Tuesday	Alexander Crummell MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE/HS 6:00pm
Wednesday	Harry Thacker Burleigh Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
Thursday	John Henry Hobart MP 9:00 am HE/HS 10:00am EP 5:30 pm
Friday	Cyprian (John Chrysostom) 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

The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 8, 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

[Deuteronomy 30:15-20](#)
[Psalm 1](#)
[Philemon 1-21](#)
[Luke 14:25-33](#)

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

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Certain books are dangerous. The ideas that they convey and disseminate can both create and destroy. At different times in history tyrants have burned books that they did not like so that they might control people and ideas. In the modern western world, the most famous example of public book burnings was carried out by the Nazis regime in Germany.

Many books have been banned because of the vision and the communities that they form. The early Church had to be very protective of the books that form the New Testament. A Roman military leader of the second century wrote to his commander about the great disappointment he had when raiding a dwelling where the Church gathered: “his soldiers found and confiscated a stockpile of clothing (the churches collection for the poor), and some plates and cups (communion vessels), but they did not find what they really wanted -- the books. Some brave believer risked their life to save them; so that the community could continue to be inspired and formed by them.

We continue to be formed by the books which make up the New Testament. Ours is a dialogue with God that started in the dim recesses of human history. The Old Testament bears witness to its origins as an exclusive revealing to God’s chosen people the Jews. We believe that through Jesus Christ it has been made available to all nations and peoples. Ours is a dangerous set of books. They need to be read in the context of community, both Christian and non-Christian. They are not only an important part of how we define ourselves, but they are a means as well as an end, whereby we might have a lively relationship with the living God.

As a liturgical Church our most important tool for having this lively and life-giving conversation is the lectionary. Both the daily offices of Morning and Evening Prayer as well as the Sunday Mass provide the worshiping community with the proper context and the means for challenging some of our most deeply held ideas. The fact is the Bible, which is a collection of books bearing witness to God’s desire to transfigure the world and for us to experience something of God’s love for God’s-self, confronts the way of the world. It asks questions like: “Why does might have to make right? Why does money matter most? Why do people have to be hungry, homeless and hopeless? Questions we have become so immune to that we often cannot hear God’s promptings to use our gifts for their engagement and solution. Let us pray each time we read or hear the words of scripture that we will be changed more and more into the person God images us to be; so that we may walk the dangerous road of transformation and risk everything by being and conveying its message. **WWIII**

Parish News and Events

Hymns & Music: The Twelfth Sunday

After Pentecost

581, 675, 635, Doxology, 484

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.

Volunteer Opportunity: Food Pantry

For over 30 years, St. Paul's has been distributing food for those in need. If you would like to help with the distribution, be at the Food Pantry building at 7am (2nd and 4th Tuesday); the time commitment is from 7am-8:30am. The Food Pantry is located behind the parish house at the corner of 34th and Lincoln. For more information, please contact Kris Lee at 912-704-3332 or Heather Downs at 912-507-4218.

Youth Sunday School Begins This Sunday

Sunday school for all youth age groups will start on **September 8th around 11:30am** (between 10am mass and 12:15pm mass). Children ages 10 and under will meet in the Godly Play room on the 2nd floor. Children over 10 years of age will gather on the playground to assist with the Thomas Park Food Pantry. Contact Sarah Ward at 912-596-4240 if you are interested in assisting.

Youth Event: New Beginnings

New Beginnings will be held **September 6 through 8, 2019** at Honey Creek Camp and Conference Center for youth in Grades 7-9.

Contact the Rev. Joshua Varner at jvarner@gaepiscopal.org or [336-317-0371](tel:336-317-0371) for additional information.

St. Paul's Choir Resumes September 15th

Our parish choir will resume rehearsals and singing for our 10am masses on Sunday, September 15th. Choir rehearsal is at 8:30am and Mass at 10:00am. If you haven't sung with the choir, or if you have sung in the past but are interested in re-joining, we would love to have you! Please contact Mac Fogle, Director of Music, if interested: mcdowellfogle1@gmail.com

Episcopal Church Women's Meeting

The Episcopal Church Women's (ECW) meeting, will be held at St. Paul's this Saturday at 10:00am, in the parish hall. The purpose of this organization is to empower the women of The Episcopal Church to carry out Christ's work throughout the world, and to persist in the work of healing, justice, and peace. To live Christ's ministry, we:

- Listen to voices of women worldwide;
- Promote educational, spiritual, and social programs which minister to women and children;
- Provide opportunities and tools to grow relationships with God and others through spirituality, prayer, and worship; and
- Encourage the development of women's leadership by example in stewardship, training, and education

For more information, email Deacon Sue at: deaconsue@stpaulsavannah.org; all women of the parish are invited to attend.

Convo is starting back

Convo is short for *Convocation and Conversation*. It is a youth group available to all students in 6-12 grades. Dinner is provided along with games, activities, and stimulating conversations about topics that matter to youth. Throughout the 2019-2020 school year, youth from the Savannah area will gather every 3rd Sunday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at a variety of locations. On Sunday, September 15, Convo will be held at St. Paul's. Please invite other youth. For all the latest information, like our Facebook page:

Lay Ministers 9-8-2019

8 am

Jim Weathers (LEM)
Bonnie Tyler (Lector)

10am

Alan Boulton (Sub Deacon)
Vicki Minor (Lector)

Acolytes

Craig Hopkins
Jackson Whalen
Palmer Walker
Quinn Scott

Head Usher

Daniel Porter

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

Not Available

Restricted Offering

Not Available

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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 Rev. Lauren Flowers Byrd
Assisting Priest

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

Virgin Lamp

The Virgin Altar Lamp is given to the greater glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of Kasandra Soucie Zelazny, granddaughter of Katherine Haile

The Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Tabernacle Lamp is given to the greater glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of Kasandra Soucie Zelazny, granddaughter of Katherine Haile



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

Amaia Vega (9)

Fr. John Anderson (10)

Expectant Mothers

Karen Lorelli

Departed

Agnes Louise Shuey (8)

Mrs. William (Doris) Willoughby II (10)

Joseph E. Bryant (12)