



# Spiritus Gladius

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

## The Weekday Kalendar

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St Peter &amp; St. Paul</b> MP 9:00 am HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Protomartyrs of Rome</b> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm HE 6:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Most Precious Blood of our Lord</b> Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am, MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Feria</b> MP 9:00 am HE 10:00 am EP 5:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Feria</b> Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm

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

## Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

Via Livestream on Facebook [https://  
facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/](https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/)

9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer  
10:00 a.m. Solemn Mass  
12:15 p.m. Misa en Español  
5:30 p.m. Evensong (weekly)  
Benediction (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

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*There is a 3 pm Mass at St. Bartholomew's,  
Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the  
4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month*

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Remember to Wash your Hands Regularly

The Propers  
[Jeremiah 28:5-9](#)  
[Psalm 89:1-4,15-18](#)  
[Romans 6:12-23](#)  
[Matthew 10:40-42](#)

Parish Office is closed until further notice. For updates on  
church openings, visit our Web Site at  
[www.StPaulSavannah.org](http://www.StPaulSavannah.org)

# REFLECTIONS

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

With the help of your Vestry I have been working with staff to access and mitigate where possible the risks presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. We have taken several steps in anticipation of a return to in person worship. These include additions to our HVAC system of bi-polar ionization machines made by Nu-Calgon <https://www.iwaveair.com/coronavirus-update> which are designed to reduce in the air pathogens by as much as 99% after 30 minutes of exposure. In addition to the usual cleaning regimen we have also instituted a procedure that includes fogging the restrooms and main gathering areas with non-toxic formulas designed to kill molds, bacteria, and viruses. We are also using Hospital type virucides to clean the floors and toilets. We have also secured infrared motion activated soap dispensers for the restrooms, as well as a free-standing Sanitizer Dispenser for the main Entrance.

All the aforementioned measures are designed to mitigate the spread of the Virus, but your behavior and actions will be the most important defense against its propagation. When we can return to any sort of in person gatherings it is important to keep your distance, to wear your masks, do not pass the peace physically or embrace each other, and sit in the designated areas to insure proper distancing. We do all this as a matter of respect, revealing in the joy of being in each other's presence. One of the important pieces which has yet to be addressed is how to properly document where people are sitting during Mass. One colleague has suggested that we take a photograph during the liturgy to detail each celebration. I am inclined to use this method given my previous experience with parish use of sign up apps. Your Vestry and I will be working on ways to encourage and enable best practices in the face of this outbreak. The Diocese has provided guidelines and the priests and deacons of Savannah Convocation are having in-depth conversations about how to move forward.

I also want to assure everyone that liturgical practices have been adjusted in light of the many considerations which have already been mentioned. The Lord's Table will be set solely by the Deacon after sanitizing their hands. The paten, ciborium, and chalice will be covered anytime they are spoken over and communion will be in one kind. I purchased liturgical tongs for the distribution of the Host, during which the priest will wear a mask, while placing the host in your hands. It will take place in front of the Rood Screen. Approach the priest using the Center Aisle, one at a time keeping a distance of six feet, from the previous communicant. You may take your mask off to receive communion but please put it back in place before returning to your seat by the Side Aisle.

Finally, circumstances may put you at particular risk, if this is the case you might want to continue to watch the livestream even when we return to some form of in person worship. You might consider coming to one of the weekday services and making your communion in that context or making an appointment during which we will be the sole one's present. Our approach will be like the turning up of a dimmer switch, gradually bringing online our common activities. Having gone through the pain of separation and tragedy associated with the last couple of months we do not want to increase your risk or God forbid become a Hot Spot – pray for Me as I pray for you.

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# Parish News and Events

## Parish News

### LGBTQ Center Director Retires

Parishioner Billy Wooten will be retiring as Director of Savannah's LGBTQ Center at the end of June. He has been the director for the last six years, with a total involvement of 23 years. The LGBTQ center was started by the First City Network (FCN), Georgia's oldest LGBTQ organization. More than 30 years ago, a dedicated and brave group of pioneers met in the living rooms of its members. FCN steadily grew, moving into church spaces and eventually a small office on the south side of town. Today the LGBTQ center on Bull Street provides important community support, health services and advocacy to the LGBTQ community.

### Would you like to join the Thursday Bible

Study on Zoom? Contact Sarah Ward for an invite. She can be reached by email [sarahpayton@comcast.net](mailto:sarahpayton@comcast.net)

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VBS will begin on Monday, June 22 and end on Friday, June 26. Each day we will begin with an opening session, facilitated by the Rev. Canon Joshua Varner, Canon for Children and Youth.

### How can my family participate?

We're asking each child to register for the week. You may register at the link found [here](#). You will find each day's activities and schedule below. Feel free to follow along at the assigned times or come back to it later! The videos will live here and on our [Facebook page](#) for you to visit when it works for your family's schedule.

We're having so much fun! How can we share that with you? We'd love to see how your family is participating in VBS! If you'd like to share your photos or videos of your family singing songs, making art, or enjoying the activities, we'd love to share them on our social media channels. To send us your content, you may upload it [here](#).

### What if we can't participate every day? Can we skip around?

Yes! We know that life is very different right now, so join in when you can.

### Is there a theme?

This year's theme is *Who is My Neighbor?* Structured around themes of loving one another, we'll spend our time together learning different stories from the Bible that tell of neighborly interactions, even when being a good neighbor wasn't always the "cool" thing to do. Each day's story will have an accompanying art activity, song time, and worship.

### How do I find out more information?

If you'd like to know more, follow us on social media and look in your email inbox for the next edition of our weekly e-newsletter, From the Field. For additional questions, contact the Rev. Canon Joshua Varner at [jvarner@gaepiscopal.org](mailto:jvarner@gaepiscopal.org).

## This Week at St. Paul's

### Mass Schedule

As of this writing we will be closed for Public Worship for the foreseeable future, please join us daily for Livestreaming on our Facebook Page

<https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/>

### Keeping St. Paul's going

Three ways to make your financial contribution. The vitality of St. Paul's depends on all of us

- 1) Join Realm
- 2) use your Banks' Bill Pay
- 3) send your check in the Mail

### Year-To-Date

Inflows May 2020  
\$156,632.75  
Outflows February 2020  
\$179,880.83  
Balance (-\$23,248.08)

Budget needed each week  
\$8,567.00

### Offering 06-21-2020

By Mail:  
Online (Realm):

### Restricted 06-21-2020

## St Paul's Collegiate Church

1802 Abercorn Street - Savannah, GA 31401  
34th & Abercorn Streets  
1.912.232.0274

### The Episcopate

The Right Reverend Frank S. Logue  
Bishop of Georgia

The Most Rev'd Michael B. Curry D.D.  
Primate, Episcopal Church, USA

The Most Rev'd & 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'd Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ  
Rector & Dean of Savannah

The Rev'd Leonel Polanco  
Latino Missioner

The Rev'd Lauren Flowers Byrd  
Assisting Priest

The Rev'd Susan E. Gahagan, ECSB  
Deacon

The Rev'd Victor Moreno, Deacon

Robert McDowell Fogle III  
Music Director & Administrator  
Fr. Nathan P. Wilson, Asst. to the Dean  
Joe Daniels, Sexton  
Grace Downs, Children's Ministries  
& Children's Choir

### The Vestry

Sarah Ward, Senior Warden, '22  
Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '21  
Heather Downs, Clerk, '21  
Judy Naylor-Johnson '23, Erick Nowicki '23  
Adriana Ramirez '23, Simona Perry '23,  
Kris Lee, '21, Jerry Riley, '21  
Ana Carter, '22, John Ely, '22  
Lorna Smith, '22  
Carl Pruetz Treasurer

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## Thanksgivings and Memorials

### High Altar Flowers

are given to the greater glory of God  
and in memory of  
Henry Arlo Head by  
Ben Head

### Our Lady Queen of Peace Altar Flowers

are given to the greater glory of God  
and in memory of their Fathers  
James J Crane, Jr & Wm Willoughby II  
by Mary & Fr William

### Walsingham Shrine Flowers

are given to the greater glory of God  
and in thanksgiving for many blessings  
by the parish

### High Altar Sanctuary Lamp

Is given to the greater glory of God and  
in thanksgiving for many blessings by  
the parish

### Our Lady Queen of Peace Altar Lamp

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### Birthdays

Sarah Ward (29)  
Mark Frissell (2)  
Patrick Bangs (2)  
Olive Payton Ward (4)

### Anniversaries

Kay and David Saussy (29)  
Kathy and Peter Morris (1)

### Expectant Mothers

Grace Rafield  
Katherine Posse de Voest

### Departed

Vilma Fields Warren (1)  
Shane Hunter Sullivan (3)  
Azi Lee Henry (4)