

THE WEEKLY KALENDAR October 17, 2022—October 21, 2022

Monday Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch and Martyr, c. 115 MP 9:00 am AA 12:00 pm HE 12:15 pm EP 5:30 pm AA 5:30 pm Tuesday Luke the Evangelist and **Companion** of Paul MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm AA 5:30 pm 6:00 pm HE Wednesday Henry Martyn, Priest and Missionary to India and Persia, 1812 Lauds 6:45am HE 7:00am Breakfast (following Mass) Parish Hall MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm AA 5:30 pm

Thursday Feria MP 9:00 am HE 10:00am Bible Study (After Mass, Parish Hall) 12:00 pm AA EP 5:30 pm AA 6:00 pm HE 6:15pm Misa en Español Friday Requiem Lauds 6:45 am HE 7:00 am

> MP 9:00 am EP 5:30 pm Holy Eucharist), MP (Morning Prayer)

HE (Holy Eucharist), MP (Morning Prayer), EP (Evening Prayer), AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)

Spiritus Gladius

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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost All Masses available in Person and Online 8:00 am. Said Mass 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer 9:45 a.m. Children's Chapel-Sept-May 10:00 a.m. Solemn High Mass 12:15 p.m. Misa en Español 5:15 p.m. Evening Prayer Benediction (4th Sunday) 5:30 pm Mass

Childcare is Available on the Second Floor for the 10am Mass Weekly Covid Update: Currently Masking is Optional St. Paul's Clergy also celebrate a 3pm Mass at St. Bartholomew's, Chevis Road at Wild Heron Road on the 4th Sunday of the Month

The Propers

Sunday Readings <u>Genesis 32:22-31</u> <u>Psalm 121</u> <u>2 Timothy 3:14-4:5</u> <u>Luke 18:1-8</u>

LIVESTREAM

Sunday 10am and 5:30pm https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/ Mon-Fri 9am Morning Prayer Log on to St. Paul's Facebook page and click "follow" 5:30pm Evening Prayer https://facebook.com/ stpaultheapostlesavannah/ Daily Mass: See Schedule Under "Kalendar" https://facebook.com/stpaultheapostlesavannah/ Submissions for the bulletin are due by noon on Tuesdays.

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 10 am-12 pm / closed on Friday <u>912.232.0274</u> (Voice) Email: stpaul18020ffice@gmail.com

The Very Revd. Dr. Wm Willoughby III, OStJ Rector & Dean of Savannah

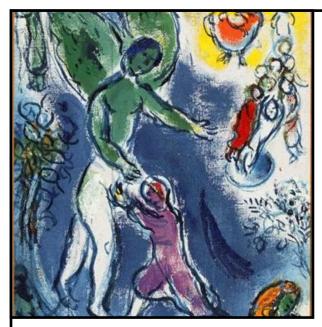
Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

A stewardship vision teaches the happy virtue of gratitude. Too often we tend to think of ourselves as "self-made". As Americans it is part of the cultural air we breathe. It is so easy to forget in the crush of everyday life that all we have, we have received from God. Seeing, understanding and accepting our need to embrace the Stewardship vision of life helps us on our faith journey. As the Epistle of James reminds us – we affirm our faith by our actions. Those actions involve the use of our gifts of time, talent and money. Therefore, they are acts of stewardship that have the power to deepen and strengthen our apprehension of God's gift of faith.

That gift of faith that God has granted each of us is unleashed for the building of God's Kingdom when we acknowledge, "it is God that has made us and not we ourselves." (Psalm 100:3) Jesus taught: "Give and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back," (Luke 6:38) in addition St. Mark adds, "...and still more will be given you" (Mark 4:24) Challenging ourselves to give a significant portion – to tithe – of our daily means of support teaches us that the love of God is the creative factor in all our lives. It means choosing to unleash all manner of power and creative actions in the world, rather than shrug our shoulders and say, "what else can we expect". Tithing cures, the heart and enables us to view the obstacles life presents as an opportunity for growth and discernment.

The world around us makes it very easy to join the large ranks of scoffers and the "I told you so "crowd. To be honest the tug of the "what might have been...if only" echoes easily in our hearts, but when we focus ourselves with a large dose of "what new opportunities do I see in today's world" we become co-creators with God and stewards of God's Kingdom. A kingdom where justice is fought for, peace is striven after, and love binds all. It is on these that the Kingdom of God is being built during time, including our own generation. The opportunity to tithe in support of the Kingdom has the potential to prod each of us into a place of thankfulness. By embracing the reality that the love of God and the purpose of God is the most creative use we can make with the gifts that God has placed in our hands, we put ourselves in a place of joy, life and goodness no matter the worldly circumstances of our life.

Tithing has not only brought me joy and peace which passes understanding but it has taught me to more careful with the 90% which God allows me to use in living life in this world. The 10% allows me to recognize my dependence on God and it lets me say "Thank you" to God for health, family, food, love and life. It also reminds me of my need to give and that by giving with no strings attached I free myself from that little voice that tries to convince me that there is never enough and the fear it conveys. If you are not tithing, I invite you to use it as a tool to uncover the excitement that God wants you to have in your life and learn the joy of saying yes to the opportunities in life that God sets before you. WWIII



Jacob Wrestling with the Angel by Marc Chagall (c. 1963, France)

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. He said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed."

It's stewardship season at St. Paul's!

If we have your mailing address, this week you should be receiving a letter in the mail along with a 2023 pledge card and return envelope. If you are not on our mailing list, please look for the 2023 pledge cards that will be placed in the pews of the church and in the parish hall.

The guiding question for the 2023 stewardship season is: *How will you use your time, talents, and treasures to rethink, recommit, and rebuild our church and community?*

The Vestry has been reflecting on this question over the past couple of months and in this reflection another question emerges: *What brought me initially to (or back to) St. Paul's?*

Reflecting on the initial, or emerging, spark that

led us to think about, commit to, and build our relationships with one another, the church, and the Holy Trinity, we may find an answer to how we can each use our unique time, talents, and treasures to sustain and rebuild today, and tomorrow.

If you want to learn more about stewardship in the Episcopal Church, please check out the September 2022 issue of ECV Vital Practices, "Stewardship in a New World" (<u>https://www.ecfvp.org/vestry-papers/128/stewardship-in-a-new-world</u>).

REQUIEM MASS

Our community will gather this Saturday at 2pm for a Requiem Mass for Rashawn Kyle Donahoo, beloved son of Omelia Donahoo and Marsha Tolbert. A reception will be held in Bishop Brady Hall after the mass.

REMEMBRANCES FOR ALL SOULS

If you would like your deceased loved ones remembered during our All Souls Mass and at the Requiem Mass to be offered on Friday's, please submit the name(s) in writing, either by mail, in the offertory plate or by email: stpaul18020ffice@gmail.com

All are also invited to write the name(s) of your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance, which will be placed by the Paschal candle during the month of November.

FALL FAIR NOVEMBER 5TH

Our fall fair supports three charities: The Anglican Center in Rome (which supports legislation to end human trafficking), The Greenbriar Children's Center and The Episcopal Relief and Development Fund (currently involved in support for those victims of the war in Ukraine). Gourmet-To-Go meals, Plants, Vintage, Furniture, Books, Smoked Pork Butts (Pre-order at \$30) and lunch will be available!

Please support this worthy cause!

EXPLORING THE FAITH: AN INTRODUCTION

Join Fr. Willoughby today after the 10am mass for a faith discussion. We will meet in the Reed Room (off of the Apish Hall). All are invited to attend.

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Lay Minister Schedule

8:00 AM Lay Minister: Jim Weathers Lector: Lorna Smith Coffee Hour: Kathleen Waite and Mimi Ferrelle

10:00 AM Lay Minister: Ed Minor Lector: Omelia Donahoo Cantor: Brenna Dudley Trumpet: Scott McKee Usher: Frank Hodges Coffee Hour:

Altar Guild Jan Carter and Elsie Clark

Flower Guild **Kay Tucker and** Judy Naylor-Johnson

If any parishioners are interested in serving at mass, please talk to Fr. Willoughby

<u>Gifts</u> <u>Year-To-Date</u>

Inflows Through May 2022 \$173,481.90

Outflows Through May 2022 \$194,526.38 (\$21,044.48)

Budget needed each week \$8,567.00

Offering 10-09-2022

By Mail and Mass Offertory \$ 5,770.71

> (Restricted): **\$ 905.29**

Online (Realm): \$ 3,035.00

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Simona Perry, Senior Warden, '23 Mark Frissell, Junior Warden, '24 Lorna Smith, Clerk, '25, Judy Naylor-Johnson '23, Erick Nowicki '23, Adriana Ramirez '23, Roger Gregory '25, Kris Lee, '24, Alan Boulton, '25, Charles McMillan, '24, Laura Walker, '24, Ana Carter, '25 <u>High Altar Flowers, Queen of Peace</u> <u>Altar, Our Lady of Walsingham</u> <u>Shrine</u> To the Greater Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Rashawn Kyle Donahoo Given by Omelia Donahoo and Marsha Tolbert

<u>High Altar and Our Lady of Peace</u> <u>Altar Lamps</u> To the Greater Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Rashawn Kyle Donahoo Given by Omelia Donahoo and Marsha Tolbert

<u>Those Who Have Asked for Our</u> <u>Prayers and Petitions:</u> Charlie & Nancy, Shirley, Deanna, Lauren, Sam, Alan, Freda, Donna, Elizabeth, Kay, Linda, Rebecca, Roger, Bill, Austin, Tom, Ana, Chris, Mary W., Erick, Betty, Peter, Darrell, Randy, Myron, Betty, Howard, Bob +, Jerry

> Expectant Mothers Katie Easterlin

<u>Anniversaries</u> Nicole Koplik and The Rev. Michael Chaney

<u>Birthdays</u> Nichole Breton Mary Willoughby Fr. William Willoughby Ill Emily Sikes Claire Hammond

Departed Rashawn Kyle Donahoo, Mary Crane