



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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St. Paul's Newsletter November, 2017

NOVEMBER AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday Worship - 8:00 & 9:30 AM

Vestry - 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 PM

Wednesday Eucharist - 12:10 PM in the Chapel

Choristers - Thursdays at 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Choir Rehearsals - Thursday at 7:00 PM.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER & REFLECTION

Wednesdays and Fridays - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fall Back time change on November 5!

Remember to turn your clocks back one

hour before going to bed!

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP BRUNCH

Sunday, November 5
9:30AM Combined Service followed by brunch

HOLIDAY FAIR

Saturday, November 11 - 10AM- 2:00PM

ALL SAINTS' TREE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday, November 12

EVENSONG

Sunday, November 12 - 5:00PM

CHURCH WORK NIGHT

Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30PM

KIWANIS TURKEY TROT

Saturday, November 19 9:00AM

GIRLS FRIENDLY SOCIETY

Tuesday, November 21- 6:30PM - 8:00PM

CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, November 26 - 3:00PM-5:00PM

****DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER NEWSLETTER IS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH****

Dear Companions in Christ,

Last week someone asked me why we don't observe All Saints' Sunday on the "right" day. The answer? We do - and *then some*.

Technically, All Saints' Day is the fixed date of November 1. Some churches have a special service on this date whenever it falls. I've served such churches and it can be a lovely experience. More common these days, however, is observing the Sunday after All Saints' which is allowed for in our Prayer Book and liturgical calendar. This gives more people the chance to participate.

This year on that first Sunday of November we'll celebrate the sacrament of Holy Baptism. All Saints' is listed in the Prayer Book (p. 312) as one of four feast days on which Baptism is "especially

appropriate". I love the imagery of initiating our newest sisters and brothers in Christ into that great cloud of witnesses of All the Saints - past, present and yet to come! On this day of November 5 we have the added gift of being together for a combined, single service followed by our Stewardship Brunch, one of the ways we symbolically claim our place in the Communion of Saints.

Our All Saints' observance carries over to the following Sunday, November 12, on which we remember our loved ones who have entered the nearer presence of our Lord. In the All Saints' Tree of Remembrance liturgy, we'll prayerfully say aloud the names of one another's dearly departed. Please feel free to write the names of your deceased loved ones on the leaves provided at both church entrances.

In addition to the liturgical advantages, this practice allows time for our Church School students to learn about the fullness of All Saints' - and come into church early both Sundays to participate.

Thanks be to God "who has made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light"! (Colossians 1:12)

Faithfully,
Dee Anne+



Vestry Update for October 2017

-- The minutes from October's meeting were reviewed and approved

Treasurer's Report: The checking account balance is low on the report for September because of the timing of a transfer (\$25,000 from the General Fund to the Money Market Account. The current report does not reflect the transfer. The Report indicates that our actual deficit is \$11,329 less than we anticipated on our budget, and also \$11,620 less than we had last year at this time. Other Expenses have gone up due to is spending money on supplies and curriculum for church school.

Nursery School: The four year old class is pretty full but the 3 year old class is very small. The school didn't publicize at Celebrate Wallingford this year; will need to do so in future years. Dee Anne will encourage them to drum up some publicity on the Wallingford Forum Facebook page.

Healing Prayer: Members of the Healing Prayer team did a great job preaching at the October 1, 2017 commissioning services. A station was set up at the Baptismal Font; 4 people came for prayers at the 8:00 service and 7 or 8 at the 9:30 service. At the next session, anyone wanting a prayer at the 8:00 service will meet in the Chapel - it is much quieter - too busy at the change-over!

Property and Security: Bob Mansfield and Chuck Maynard are exploring the addition of another door in the rear vestibule area to help keep the cold out during the winter. Chuck and Bob are also looking into a fence with a gate with a "panic bar" for the outside stairs that access the flat roof.

Sacred Trust: Currently, the funds available in the Out-Reach budget are \$10,000 and in the In-Reach budget are \$22,000. The trust received 1 In-reach application from Bobby Gervais to spend \$168.96 on an Oreck commercial vacuum; the Trust approved an amount of \$250 to take into consideration additional attachments and warranties. The Trust also received an Outreach application from Jane Smith for \$2,000 to be able to purchase school supplies for IRIS students as needed. Sacred Trust also received an application from Rob Page for \$10,000 (Outreach) for next year's mission trip. The committee decided to table this application until their December meeting. They would like more information about the expenses for El Porvenir and an update of money left over from last year's trip. This is the largest single Outreach request made. By waiting, the Trust will be able to re-allocate unused funds from the Inreach budget, if not spent. These re-allocated funds may be able to be used for the mission. George asked if our Boy Scouts would be eligible for Sacred Trust funds. There would have to be an In-Reach application submitted. It would be like the scholarships we give for the nursery school. Motion carried to accept the applications for the vacuum and the school supplies.

Ted will get together a listing of the Nicaragua trip expenses from the past few years for the Sacred Trust committee to reference at their next meeting.

Stewardship: This year's stewardship letter is being finalized; it will be personalized and include the parishioner's current pledge amount. There is an enhanced pledge card and a capability to pledge online.

There will be announcements about the upcoming Stewardship Sunday (November 5, 2017) and Lois Olesen will be preaching next week's sermons.

Fair: Over 20 vendor applications have been requested. 4 vendors have replied and paid. Lisa and Brian Sabia will coordinate the luncheon. Pie dates will be Monday through Thursday, afternoon and evening sessions for each day and Friday afternoon. Signup sheets are available Sunday at the back of the church.

New Business

Hymnals:

Betty Long has donated more than \$3,000 for new "Lift Every Voice and Sing" hymnals in memory of her late husband Bill.

Turkey Trot: St. Paul's will be a water station for the Kiwanis "Turkey Trot" road race on Sunday, November 19, 2017.

The race will pass in front of St. Paul's between 9:00 and 10:00.

Advent 4 : This year the 4th Sunday in Advent is the same Sunday as Christmas Eve. Instead of the usual 2 Sunday services, there will be one single service at 9:00. The same will be true for Sunday, December 31, 2017 (New Year's Eve)

Annual Meeting:

This year's annual meeting will be Sunday, January 21, 2018, with a snow date of January 28, 2018.

Your wardens, Chuck Maynard & Gene Gervais



Christian Education

Thanks for a great kick off to the Church School year! We saw a rise in attendance in October and we hope the trend will continue in November! If you haven't joined us yet, it is never too late to start. Registration forms are available in the church office. Church School students in Pre-K and Kindergarten will wrap up their study of Noah's Ark. Students in first through sixth grades will conclude their rotations about Jesus and Peter walking on water. Youth in grades seven and up will continue discussing Genesis. Sign-ups for the Christmas Eve Pageant will be on November 12th and 19th. The first practice for the Pageant will take place on November 26th. This month kids and youth will enjoy the All Saints Baptism and will have the opportunity remember their loved ones with leaves put on the

Tree of Remembrance. On November 19th the church school will run a water station for the Kiwanis Turkey Trot. Please join us for the fun!

The Youth Group will host a booth at the Church Fair to sell homemade crafts! All proceeds will be used to finance outreach projects later in the year. Please stop by to visit with the youth and support their efforts! Our next meeting is Sunday, November 26 from 3-5 p.m. New participants are welcome to join us for Christian fellowship and fun



Now is a great time to join the Choir or Choristers!

Choir rehearsals are held on Thursdays from 7 - 9 pm.

Choristers is open to any child in 1st grade or older.

Rehearsals for the Choristers are held weekly from 4:00 - 5:00 pm.

If you or someone you know is interested please contact our music director Jay Lindsay at musicdirector@stpaulswallingford.org.

Hope to see you there!

Readers - Ushers - Crucifers - Acolytes -Chalice Bearers!

Please check your schedules for services and times you are serving. If you are unable to fulfill your obligation, please obtain a substitute for yourself! If you would also inform the parish office of any changes it would be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

Adult Forum, The Gospel of Mark

- The Gospel of Mark is the shortest of the four gospels and is generally considered to be the first written. This fall, the Adult Forum will read and discuss Mark, paying special attention to what it might have meant to be a follower of Jesus in the first century and considering what that could mean for followers of Jesus today. The Adult Forum meets on Sunday mornings at 9:00 in Wilkinson Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Foster afoster@choate.edu or 203-697-2758. All are welcome--drop by and check it out!

School Supplies for IRIS --The Girls' Friendly Society is collecting school supplies for Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services in New Haven. These supplies are needed throughout the year, as

backpacks filled with basic supplies are given to newly arriving children to begin their schooling. There is a box set up near the front for your donations. Thank you to those who have already contributed. Supplies needed: crayons, glue sticks, pencils, pens, colored pencils, markers, highlighters, erasers, rulers and backpacks.

St Paul's Holiday Fair and Luncheon **Saturday November 11, 2017 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

The fair is coming up quickly! The following are ways that you can help to make it a success:

Apple Pie Making: George Swenson and Chuck Maynard are in charge of apple pie making and baking. Although they work with a great core group, they are still in need of many volunteers to help with all aspects of apple pie making. No experience is necessary, there are always experienced pie makers available to offer assistance, if needed. Volunteers are also needed the day of the fair to sell the pies. The following is a list of days and times for apple pie making in Wilkinson Hall; any time you have to give is appreciated! Sign-up sheets are posted on the easel in the back of the church.

Monday November 6 2:00 - 4:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Tuesday November 7 2:00 - 4:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Wednesday November 8 2:00 - 4:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Thursday November 9 2:00 - 4:00 PM 6:00 - 8:00 PM
 Friday November 10 10:00-2:00 PM

Holiday Fair Basket Raffle The baskets have always been a huge success. They're beautifully put together and filled with desirable treats! Let's keep up the tradition. Please deliver your basket to the church office or to Wilkinson Hall the evening before the fair.

*IDEAS: teas and coffees, bath/beauty products, dog or cat items, bird feeder stuff, kids' crafts, kids cooking, Italian dinner, cooking/baking, movie (Netflix gift cert., popcorn, candy), wrapping basket, Christmas ornaments, snacks, gardening, baby things, beer and peanuts, wine with cheese and crackers, gift cards, lotto tickets, stationery supplies, chocolate, books, and puzzles.

Please give your basket a name and attach a list of its contents! Thank you! Please contact Helen Stowe with any questions: 203-848-7113

The Bake Table: Gerda Leveille and Kate Poniatowski are in charge of the bake table. Please consider donating items or your time on the day of the fair. We are requesting baked goods such as pies (not

apple), breads, cakes (not frosted, please), fudge, cookies or canned goods such as jams or relish. Items may also be packaged in small quantities (a few cookies in a bag, a brownie or two in a bag). Your fresh items may be dropped off on Friday evening, November 10 or on Saturday morning (the morning of the fair) by 9:00 AM. If you have any questions, please contact Gerda: 203-265-5990 or Kate: 203-530-4354

Lunch at the Fair: Lisa and Brian Sabia are in charge of the luncheon. Food donations are being requested; the more that is donated, the more money we will make. A donation request list is posted on the easel in the back of the church. Contact Brian or Lisa with questions: 203-269-2856.

Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to help out in many ways at the fair, including: greeters at the doors, to sell baked goods, to sell basket raffle tickets and to help serve and clean up for the lunch. Any time you have to give on the day of the fair is appreciated. Please contact Sharon Rogalski with any questions (203-248-0606 or srogal156@comcast.net)

Evensong--On November 12th at 5 pm, St. Paul's will be holding an evensong worship service. Evensong is an evening service with an emphasis on choral music. Come here beautiful sung prayers, psalms, and canticles performed by our choir and soloists.

Tree of Remembrance for All Saint's Sunday, November 12 - Please print legibly the name of a departed loved one on a "leaf" and put it in the designated basket at either church entrance. Feel free to write more than one per leaf if you wish. We'll offer one another's "saints" in prayer as part of our celebration of the communion of Saints.

Work Night

- Save **Wednesday November 15th** for a work night! Chandeliers need light bulbs, radiators need oiling and there are other chores to do. If you are good on a ladder or can squeeze an oil can, show around 6:30 PM and we will put you to work. Questions? Call Bob M. at (203) 269-2719.

Upgrade your St. Paul's swag this fall - Wear your heart on your sleeve! We have t-shirts, caps, and windbreakers for sale, all with the St. Paul's logo proudly on display. Prices are reasonable, and a portion

of the sale will go to support our mission work in Nicaragua. Pick up an order form on the shelf in the hallway for more details, then turn in your form and check to the parish office by **Sunday, November 16th**.

Sacred Trust Committee -The next meeting of the Sacred Trust Committee will be Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Chapel. The deadline for inreach and outreach applications is **Sunday, November 26, 2017**. Please leave applications in the parish office. Contact Carole Ireland, 203-988-7405 or the parish office with any questions..

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be celebrated on the following Feast Days: All Saints (November 5, 2017), and Epiphany (January 7, 2018) . Preparation for this celebration of Christian initiation includes a formal application and participation of parents and godparents in our Baptism Workshop and Rehearsal. Please direct any inquiries to the Rector at 203-269-5050 or rector@stpaulswallingford.org.

Church Open for Prayer & Reflection -

Wednesdays and Fridays - 10 AM-1 PM. ALL are welcome to come and stay for as little or as much of the time as needed. Schedule for opening the church for October, November and December is posted in back of the church with special attention to Advent. We would like to keep the church open for Advent, Monday, December 4 through Saturday, December 23. Please sign up. For information please contact Gene Gervais @ (203) 314-9368 or rggervais50@gmail.com.

Office Volunteers Needed! -Long gone are the days when newsletters need to be collated and stapled thanks to the office copier. However, they still need to be folded, labeled, sealed and counted. When it comes to this task, many hands make for light work! If you are available during office hours to help with this once a month or as needed, please contact Jennifer in the office. Thank you!

Thrift Shop News --Thank you to all who have stepped up to help out with the Thrift Shop this year. It has made a big difference, and sales are booming! We still have some openings for "sales associates". Please consider volunteering for a 3 hour shift. ALSO - we are in

DESPERATE need of help on Monday mornings between the hours of 8 and 11 am to sort and price incoming merchandise. Additional hands for an hour or two would be perfect! Contact Jane Smith for more information or better yet, to volunteer! (203) 265-4846 or jbunth@sbcglobal.net

A Note from the Sexton -I have been noticing a lot of dirty paper plates, bowls and plastic forks, knives and spoons in the recycle bins. I would appreciate if you would not throw them in there as trash as items with food on them are not recyclable. Also, there have been a lot of coffee cups in the recycle bins as well and they should not be recycled unless they are washed out. Finally, please remember to dispose of any liquids in the sink before you throw your cups into the trash. Thank you.

New Parish Directory--Many thanks to all of you who've uploaded your contact info and family pictures for our new Parish Directory which will be available through a password protected website, mobile app or in printed form! If you've not already done so, please go to our website at stpaulswallingford.org and follow the link. If you need further assistance, please email us at stpaulswallingford@gmail.com. We'll also be taking pictures at church on select Sundays so those not online may participate.

New Email Addresses --We now have standardized email addresses which should be easier for you to remember. Effective immediately, please use the following:

For the Rev. Dee Anne Dodd, Rector
rector@stpaulswallingford.org

For Jay Lindsay, Music Director
musicdirector@stpaulswallingford.org

For Frances Chamberlain, Director of Christian Education &
Formation
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For Jennifer Parsons, Administrative Assistant NEW ADDRESS
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For Ted Hartsoe, Parish Treasurer
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The parish office is open Tuesday - Friday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.
The telephone number is (203) 269-5050.
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If we are not in the office, please leave a message.

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