



Dear Brother's and Sister's in Christ,

I would be remiss if I didn't say something about the difficult month that we have had here at St. Paul's. The Vestry has had some very important and difficult decisions to make. Despite that difficulty, they tackled them head on and did what they felt the Holy Spirit was moving them to do and what they felt was best for St. Paul's at this particular moment in time. I applaud them for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice of time, talent, and in some cases, even sleep. There will be more tough challenges to come, but I have confidence in the Vestry's ability to face those challenges and let God work through them as we work together to lead St. Paul's into the future. I hope that everyone at St. Paul's has that same confidence and trust in their Vestry, and that you are all praying for your Vestry and St. Paul's on a daily basis.

If there is one key, important thing that came out of the meeting on October 24th, it was the fact that, at the core, we all do believe the same thing. We all believe that Jesus Christ is our Sovereign Lord and Savior. We all believe in the authority of Scripture. We all believe that Jesus is "the way, the truth, and the life." We may disagree on some of the actions or statements of the Episcopal Church on a national level or in other diocese. We may disagree on the actions or statements regarding the wider Anglican Communion. We may disagree on the validity and purpose of the ACN (Anglican Communion Network). What we do agree on, though, is the importance of our community, our family, our church home that we call St. Paul's. Our Lord has brought us all here, from all walks of life, from many different social and denominational backgrounds, to serve Him, each other, and the community beyond our walls. We will never all agree totally and completely, what family ever does? If we are of one mind at the core of our beliefs, then we can work and grow together as true brother's and sister's in Christ, spreading His Kingdom one step at a time, one comforting word at a time, one helping hand at a time, one moment of compassion and understanding at a time, one moment of love and forgiveness at a time. One thing that I have heard over and over again, both from members of St. Paul's family, and folks who are familiar with or acquainted with St. Paul's, is the incredible warmth and friendliness of the congregation and the "family" feeling or quality that is present. I have also heard from quite a few members that it wasn't the style of worship or the programs that drew them into St. Paul's. It was the "family" of St. Paul's that drew them in. Our large and extended family is one of our defining and best characteristics. But all families need to work on their relationships from time to time. All families have crises and need help from time to time. All families need to be reminded of their love for and responsibility to all their members from time to time. And all families need to be able to reconcile, forgive, and work together for their future if they are going to remain a family. The conversation and reconciliation has already begun, but we must all open our hearts to our Lord and each other, and we must intentionally

work towards forgiveness both individually and as a family. Our Lord will lead us and help us, all we have to do is let Him.

Now that my second round of preaching for this week is done, I do have some upcoming events and additions to our calendar to inform you of.

First off, we will start having a very simple service of Evening Prayer every Tuesday at 6:30 PM beginning on November 6th. Evening Prayer is one of the Daily Offices in the Book of Common Prayer, and it is truly a simple, beautiful service of canticles, scripture readings, and prayer. It doesn't take very long (30 minutes or less), it will be somewhat casual, and there is also the possibility for it to be Lay led as well. I hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity for a mid-week "escape" from the world and come together to worship and pray together.

Secondly, Fr. Cassell from Food For The Poor will be our guest preacher on Sunday, Nov. 25, at both services. Please come and hear him speak and pray for his ministry and the work that his organization does. And finally, once again, as I seem to do each month, there are still many of you that I've only met briefly, or see only at church on Sundays. I'd love to have the opportunity to get to know all of you better. Please, get in touch with me and we can sit and chat in the church, the office, over coffee, whatever works best for you.

Yours in Christ's love,
Guy+

Sunday School News:
By: Amy Dickerson

The Sunday school children studied the story of the Good Samaritan in preparation for "Operation Christmas Child". They collected shoe boxes, brought in items, and wrote letters to put in the boxes. The boxes will be our offering at the children's service November 4th; Fr. Guy will bless the boxes. This project is sponsored by Franklin Graham's organization, Samaritan's Purse. It distributes boxes to needy children giving them an opportunity to experience Jesus at Christmas time. We liked to thank the Sunday school children and the St. Paul's families who contributed items and money towards making Christmas special for these children.

Beginning this month, the children begin preparing for the Christmas pageant. The pageant will be December 16, at the 10:30 service. Mark your calendar!

The middle high boy's class continues to collect aluminum cans. \$137.00 has been collected since April. Seventy dollars was used to help pay shipping cost on Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. All other money collected till Jan. 1 will be donated to Food for the Poor.

Thank you to all who have brought in aluminum cans, your donation does make a difference! We will continue to collect cans after the new year and will designate a new cause for the money.

Sunday School Calendar

Nov. 4: 10:30 Children's service, offering Operation Christmas Child Pre-school and elementary children sing

November 15 Community Dinner at Bethel Church- books and games collected in Sunday school will be distributed to families at the dinner. The dinner is open to everyone.

November 25th: No Sunday school classes, Happy Thanksgiving

December 7th: (Friday) 5:30 St. Nick's Party

December 16th: Christmas Pageant,

December 23-30: NO Sunday School Classes, classes resume January 6. ;1

Search Committee Update

The search committee will be meeting on November 6th, 2007, to begin compiling the information you have provided on the questionnaires. If you have not filled one out and would still like the opportunity to do so, please see one of the search committee members or Fr. Guy.

November Birthdays:

3 David Hardman
4 Loise Cunningham
5 Ava Larson
Christine McGinnis
8 Alex Terwilliger
9 Melhssa DaN
Erik Solie
10 David Hackworthy
12 Jan DeCraene
14 Ilene Firth
Tyanna Granberg
Fr. Derek Washington
Ciera Wood
18 Neil Wenzel
19 Judy Winslow
20 Jim Obernuelier
21 Usa Singerhouse
22 Russell Peters
23 Sandra Solie

25 Jennifer Mueller
27 William Hamill
28 Wills Miller
29 David Ball
Melissa Robidou

November Anniversaries:

4 Ray/Helene Jensen
12 Derek/Dorothy Washington

If your special day is not listed—
Please contact the church office.
Or email Tori at
vbkmarben2@juno.com. Thanks!

St. Paul's Servant Schedule: November 2007
 Servant Schedule

Date	Time	Acolytes	Eucharistic Min	Lector	Greeters	Pray bfr worship	Ushers
11/4	8:00	T Granberg	V Barber	J Wrnslow	Muenichs	E Slamkowski	Dickerson
11/4	10:30	T Stuber J Ball	M Blanchard K Larson	B Rupert	Jensons	C Hackworthy	Marbens
11/11	8:00	A Dickerson	J Conover	D Kadidlo	Pogalz	R Brower	Pogalz
11/11	10:30	A Solle B Blanchard	J Freese N Freese	H Jenson	Marbens	H Jenson	Singerhouse
11/18	8:00	A Granberg	C Pogalz	R Bmwer	E Slamksld	V Cooley	S Pogalz E Slamkowski
11/18	10:30	P Solie I McGininis	N Cicero K Solimar	N Cicero	Solimars	T Marben	T Stober K Peterson
11/25	8:00	K Dickerson	J Winslow	L Barber	Conovers	D Kadidlo	Cocover
11/25	10:30	D Hackworthy K McGininis	J Harelson H Jensen	T Marben	N Cicero	B Rupert	Granberg

Notes:

- If you cannot serve when scheduled, please arrange a switch and change the kiosk schedule @ 3862348.
- Acolytes & Eucharistic Ministers: if help is needed, please vest during the Peace and join the Worship service
- All: If you are being scheduled incorrectly or are missing from a schedule and wish to participate, please contact Kim Larsen at 425-0015 or klarsmac.com.