



The Apostle

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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Sunday Schedule:

8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:45 Church School & Nursery

10:00 Morning Prayer or
Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Office Manager

Ed Stauff

Music Director

Sue Johansson

Church School Director

Lenore Schmidt

Assistant Church School Director

Don Porter

Rusty Porter

Sextons

Vestry

Tracy Wakeman

Senior Warden

Bob Zimmerman

Junior Warden

Peter Kalafarski

Treasurer

Michelle Hardcastle

Clerk

Gabriella Browne (2013)

Donna Gorzela (2013)

Jerry Kent (2013)

Susan Johansson (2012)

Mike Laorenza (2012)

Loren Carlson (2012)

Bruce Jensen (2011)

Laura McKenna (2011)

Cheryl Means (2011)

What is St. Paul's purpose? Why do we exist?

If you were asked those questions, would you know how to answer? Last spring we collected the thoughts of a number of parishioners at a brainstorming session. This winter the Vestry took those ideas and, guided by the Spirit, came up with a brilliant mission statement for the parish. We finalized it at our last meeting. It is:

St. Paul's is a joyful faith-based community of hope and worship proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. We invite all to join us in spiritual nurturing and growth through ministry and service, helping create God's Kingdom on Earth.

As we discussed what qualities we felt defined who we are, who we aspire to be, and what our purpose is, these words kept coming up: "joyful, faith, community, hope, worship, Jesus, inviting all, spirit, growth, service, God's Kingdom on Earth." There were, of course, many other words we could have used and wanted to use, but as we distilled it down, these floated to the top.

St. Paul's is joyful. We love God and love each other and this is expressed in joy.

St. Paul's is faithful. The Bible says "for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith." [Gal. 3:26].

St. Paul's is a community. We are not solitary individuals, but connected as the Body of Christ. Our fullest selves are found by sharing our lives together with others.

St. Paul's is a place of hope. We know that despite the challenges and evils of the world, we live in hope that through God all will be made whole.

St. Paul's worships God in song, prayer, praise, confession, gratitude, reading scripture, reciting creeds, meditation, and by sharing the bread & wine. We worship both in our

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individual lives everyday, and as a community on Sunday morning and other times. St. Paul's proclaims the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, through word and deed. Christ reconciled the world to God and we want to share this amazing good news with everyone.

St. Paul's invites all. We are not a place of judgment, but a place of welcome.

St. Paul's is a place of the Spirit. We honor and worship the Holy Spirit alongside God the Father and Jesus. The Spirit guides us and enables us to grow into the likeness of Christ.

St. Paul's is a place of growth. We grow together in our spiritual lives and our relationship with God and each other.

St. Paul's serves, loves, and ministers to our neighbors through service to the parish, the Merrimack Valley, and the world in the name of Jesus Christ.

St. Paul's helps create God's Kingdom on Earth. The Kingdom is not just the place you go when you die, but begins here on earth. While its fulfillment is only through the saving work of Jesus, we participate in that fulfillment as the Body of Christ today.

What is our purpose? What is our mission? It's pretty amazing, and now we all can articulate it. Many thanks to the Vestry for creating this statement. May St. Paul's, by the grace of God, have the courage and wisdom to fulfill it.

Faithfully yours,
Stephanie +

Newcomers Committee

Thanks to Carrie Leary who will be the new chair of the Newcomers Committee! She, the Vestry, and I will be hosting a newcomer's brunch on Sunday, April 18.

Remember, however, that we all, as members of the parish, are also members of the Newcomer's Committee. We are all called to greet and welcome visitors to our parish, not only their first time, but subsequent visits. Help them make connections with others and the life of the parish.

Stephanie +

Wedding News

Just a note to say thank you to everyone at St. Paul's who has been so loving and supportive of me during this time as I prepare for my wedding! Bill and I will be married on Saturday, April 24th, at a B&B on the Cape. Bishop Tom Shaw will officiate. Afterwards Bill and I will leave for a honeymoon on St. Lucia, an island in the Caribbean. I will return to the office on May 4. While I am away, the Rev. Randy Daley has graciously agreed to take services on April 25, while the Rev. Mike Shirley will take them on May 2. When I return to the office my new name will be The Rev. Stephanie Chase Bradbury. I am grateful for your prayers during this joyful time of transitions!

Blessings,
Stephanie



Holy Week Calendar

Saturday, March 27

10 a.m. – noon - Easter Egg Hunt
5 p.m. - Chili Cook-off

Sunday, March 28, Palm Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite 1
10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, with passion
10: 00 a.m. – Church School
11:30 a.m. – Church yard clean-up day for Easter

Thursday, April 1, Maundy Thursday

6:00 p.m. – Simple Supper
7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, with foot-washing and Stripping of the Altar
8:00 p.m. – Watch with Christ begins and goes all night long

Friday, April 2, Good Friday

Noon – Watch with Christ ends
Noon – Good Friday service
7:00 p.m. – Good Friday service

Saturday, April 3, Holy Saturday

7:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil Service

Sunday, April 4, Easter Sunday

8:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite 1
10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Children bring Easter Eggs to be blessed at Altar

Bring Your Easter Eggs to Church!

This year we will bless your Easter Eggs in church on Easter Sunday. All children are

invited to bring baskets of eggs to the altar during the service so they may be blessed. Easter is Sunday, April 4.

From the Vestry – Ministry Opportunities

St. Paul's is incredibly fortunate to have such a wonderful group of people who are so willing to dedicate their time and talent to the work of the vestry and this church. We meet once a month to discuss the business matters of the church and how we can make it all work better and smarter.

We need your help. There are ministries within the church still looking for chairpersons. There are tasks which need to be done; tasks which won't demand a lot of time. There are limited term positions which need filling.

Of course, we would like to go up to each and every one of you and ask for your help. On the other hand, you know your talents best. If you have some time and could volunteer for one of these ministries, tasks, or limited positions, please contact Stephanie + , me, or anyone on the vestry. Open areas include: Fellowship, Christian Formation, Inreach, Worship Leaders, Readers of all ages and more. I am sure we can match your talents to a job which needs to be done. We would love to talk to YOU!

Tracy Wakeman
Senior Warden
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Outreach Committee News

Many thanks to all of our parishioners who generously donated personal hygiene products during our February drive for the *People's Pantry*. A large basket full of items was delivered and immediately distributed to those visiting the Pantry in March. We received a very appreciative thank you note from the director, it is posted on the community bulletin board, please stop and read their kind words on your way to coffee hour.

A special thank you from the children and director at *Manos Felices/Happy Hands at Hancock!* All the makings for a fabulous March Birthday Party were generously donated by many of our thoughtful parishioners, it was a privilege and a pleasure to see all of the children enjoying cake, ice cream and gifts on a sunny, spring day.

If you haven't signed on to join us on an outing to *Lazarus House* for some fellowship of cooking and serving the guests residing in the House, please consider doing so! The Outreach Team sends a group of 6-8 individuals bi-monthly for this very rewarding and important ministry. In March, the Youth prepared a generous dinner while enjoying each other's company for an afternoon, several of them then made the trip to Lazarus where we served our delicious and much appreciated meal. Our next trip to **Lazarus House will be Saturday, May 8th from 4-7 PM.** If you are interested in this outing, please contact me for more information and to sign up, as soon as possible.

Food Glorious Food All of the pantries in our greater community continue to struggle with a need for food! When you are out shopping for your family, please consider picking up ANY additional non-perishables for our neighbors who are in need. There is a basket in the back of the left side as you enter Church, clearly marked "Food Donations", for you to deposit them or contact Cheryl Means, Outreach Committee Chair at threemeans@aol.com for pick up. All donations are appreciated and picked up by Lazarus House or Neighbors In Need weekly. Thank You!

Undie Sundays The Undie Sundays Drive, through which we have been collecting small children's underwear, diapers and pull-ups, continues during Lent until April 3rd. A basket is in the vestibule for these items. Let's make every Sunday in Lent an Undie Sunday! Please contact Dave Edwards, pointer53A@aol.com, with any questions or to arrange a pick up. Thank you.

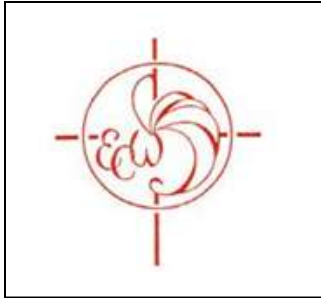
God Bless You All ~
Cheryl Means
Outreach Committee Chair



Project Linus

Coordinated by
Elise Gorzela,
Project Linus

meets in the French Memorial on Sunday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Pictured here (from left to right) working on the Project Linus are Brigid Dunigan, Jennifer Daniele, and Shelagh McKenna.



Episcopal Church Women

The next ECW meeting will be Monday, April 5th,

at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level of the parish hall. Hostesses Lili Fundeklian and Chris Herrmann chose salads, breads and desserts for their menu and ask members to contribute one of these to the meal. The activity for the evening is a kitchen shower. Members are asked to bring a gift for the parish kitchen to help refurbish it so we can all use it more efficiently.



ECW YARD SALE

The Annual Yard Sale will take place May 1st from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Look for small appliances, furniture, gently worn clothing, games, household goods, linens, pictures, sports equipment, tools, toys and untold treasures. Parishioners may leave no longer needed or used items on the left side of the Parish Hall, behind the blue partition starting April 1st. ECW members appreciate our fellow parishioners. With your help we purchased a much-needed stove for the parish kitchen last year. We hope to buy a new refrigerator with proceeds from the Yard Sale this year. Thanks for your support.



Finance Committee News

The revenue and expense for February and the first two months appear below. The disbursements for

February were about \$4,000 more than the income of the month. For the first two months of the year we are running a deficit of about (\$4,725). Please let Stephanie or the Finance Committee know of comments, questions.

Each month St. Paul's makes a payment to the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts to fund the mission of the Church in Massachusetts and the world. The total sent to the Diocese in 2010 will be \$19,366. If you would like to learn more about the budgeting process of the Diocese there will be a hearing held from 7 – 9 PM on Thursday, April 15th at Trinity Church, Topsfield. All are welcome.

Summary of St. Paul's Income and Expense as of February 28, 2010

	Month of February	Two Months
Operating Income	\$ 22,737	\$ 41,971
Operating Expenses (Paid & Accrued)	<u>\$ 26,697</u>	<u>\$ 46,696</u>
Budget Excess (Shortfall)	\$ (3,960)	\$(4,725)
Transferred from endowment	\$ 0	\$ 0



St. Paul's Women's Book Group

All women of the parish are invited to join our book group meetings. Our meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month (except December) from September through May. We do not meet in December. Please join us in the French Memorial for discussion, refreshments, and fellowship. You may bring a friend. Newcomers welcome!

The remaining months of the schedule for spring, 2010 are as follows:

April 15 - In the Beauty of the Lilies
by John Updike (novel)

May 20 - Driftless
by David Rhodes (novel)

June 17 - The Big House
by George Howe Colt (non-fiction)

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Herrmann at herrmanncc@aol.com or Stephanie Wilson at stpaulsnarector@comcast.net ~ 978-683-0671.



Coffee News

Many thanks to everyone who has hosted a coffee hour this year. You have all been generous with your time and all the

wonderful treats you've provided! I'd like to extend a special thanks to the newcomers who have hosted. As always, the signup sheet is on the coffee table for anyone who'd like to host. For more information, please contact Joan Veznaian at 978-475-9190 or joanievez@yahoo.com.



To Kathy Brown for helping to stuff and mail the Easter letters.

To Rusty for his wonderful suppers during Lent. Can't beat Shepherd's Pie and Corned Beef and Cabbage!

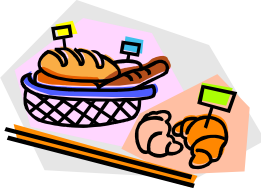


April Birthdays

David Cameron	April 1
Sabrina Coppa	April 1
Ben Ferguson	April 4
April Pozzi	April 6
Duncan Wilson	April 13
Albert Washington	April 16
John Nissenbaum	April 19
Loren Carlson	April 22
Amy Ferguson	April 25
Kathy Brown	April 26
JP Bissonnette	April 30



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



390 MAIN ST, NO. ANDOVER, MA

"INDOOR" YARD SALE AND BAKE SALE

**SATURDAY,
MAY 1, 2010
9 A.M. – 3 P.M.**

ITEMS AVAILABLE:

FURNITURE

CLOTHING

HOUSEWARES

BOOKS

TOYS & GAMES, ETC.

COME AND BROWSE OUR WARES!

BAKED GOODS, COFFEE, DONUTS,

HOT DOGS & DRINKS AVAILABLE

OUR FAMOUS \$2.00 BAG SALE

BEGINS AT 1:00 P.M.



Listing of April Service Readings

April 4th (Easter Day)

Acts 10:34-43

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Luke 24:1-12

April 11th

Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 118:14-29 Page 762, BCP

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

April 18th

Acts 9:1-6, (7-20)

Psalm 30 Page 621, BCP

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

April 25th

Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23 Page 612, BCP

Revelation 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

Transitions

Diane Deyermond Guthrie (Patricia Splaine's niece) passed away on March 7, 2010.



St. Paul's Memorials For April 2010

April 4:

In loving memory of Kate S. Busby and
Archibald H. Busby, Jr.

Donor: Linda & Norton Busby

April 11:

In loving memory of Pam Henderson

Donor: The Rev. Chip Henderson

April 18:

In loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Archie
Gourley

Donor: The Gourley Memorial Fund

April 25:

In loving memory of Normand E. Belanger
And Alice Belanger

Donor: Marilyn Belanger

April 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Palm Sunday 8:30 AM HE, Rite I 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Church School Seder Supper 10:00 AM HE, Rite I 11:30 AM Jr. Choir Rehearsal 6:30-8:00 PM Project Linus (French Memorial)	29 7:00 – 9:00 PM Crafty Ladies (Kitchen) 7:30 PM Women's Love of Life - AA Meeting (Parish Hall)	30 4:30-5:30 PM Nonprofit Grp Meeting (Parish Hall) 7:30 PM AA Meeting – Co-ed Group (Parish Hall)	31 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (French Memorial)	1 6:00 PM Seder Supper (Parish Hall) 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service (Church) 8:00 PM Watch with Christ begins and continues until Friday, Noon	2 12:00 PM Good Friday Service 7:00 PM Good Friday Service	3 7:00 PM Easter Vigil, HE Rite II (Baptism)
4 Easter Sunday 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II (Easter Sunday, Family Service)	5 6:30 PM ECW Meeting (Room 3) 7:30 PM Women's Love of Life - AA Meeting (Parish Hall)	6 7:30 PM AA Meeting – Co-ed Group (Parish Hall)	7 3:30 – 5:00 PM Daisy Troop (Parish Hall) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (French Memorial)	8	9	10
11 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:45 AM Church School and Nursery 10:00 AM Morning Prayer, Rite II 11:30 AM Jr. Choir Rehearsal 11:30 AM Vestry Meeting 6:30-8:00 PM Project Linus (French Memorial)	12 7:30 PM Women's Love of Life - AA Meeting (Parish Hall)	13 11:00 AM Staff Meeting (French Mem) 7:30 PM AA Meeting – Co-ed Group (Parish Hall)	14 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (French Memorial)	15 7:00 PM Women's Book Club Meeting (French Memorial)	16	17
18 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite I 9:45 AM Church School and Nursery 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II 11:30 AM Jr. Choir Rehearsal 11:30 AM Newcomer's Brunch (Rectory) 6:30-8:00 PM Project Linus (French Memorial)	19 7:30 PM Women's Love of Life - AA Meeting (Parish Hall)	20 7:30 PM AA Meeting – Co-ed Group (Parish Hall)	21 3:30 – 5:00 PM Daisy Troop (Parish Hall) 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (French Memorial)	22	23	24 Yard Sale Set Up Begins!
25 8:30 AM HE, Rite I 9:45 AM Church School Seder Supper 9:45 AM Nursery 10:00 AM Morning Prayer, Rite II 11:30 AM Jr. Choir 6:30-8:00 PM Project Linus (French Mem)	26 7:30 PM Women's Love of Life - AA Meeting (French Memorial)	27 7:30 PM AA Meeting – Co-ed Group (French Memorial)	28 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (French Memorial)	29	30	1 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM ECW Yard Sale (Parish Hall)



St. Paul's Prayer List

For Healing

April DiDomenico	Lori Daniele
Sylvia Little	Rodney Valliere
Bea Bradley	Lilo Burtscher
Ronald DeAngeles, Jr.	Rony Grant
Dorothy Hammond	Lee Grant
Albert Washington	Kathy Brown
Phoebe Muhr	Fred DelleChiaie
Edna Krzywicki	Tommy Holland
Charles Pina	Mike Coakley
Fran Hogan	Diane Shaw
Ed Hogan	Jerry Kent, Jr.
Frances Grelle	Jack Wolfenden
Pat Grelle	Tom Bradbury
Mary Ellen Grelle	Don Porter
Marci Glinos	Karen Diaz
Jennifer Coffin	Peter Carlson
Elizabeth Ann Ginder	
Carmen Laorenza	



For those in the Service

Sean Nolan
Joseph Salman
Kyle Burke
Jonathan M. Velishka
Jonah Shotter
Matthew D. Bailey
Andrew Shaw



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