



Caribbean Sunday

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

EST. 1880

MISSION STATEMENT

To **proclaim** God's love, justice and hope through the **witness** of generations of resilient faith in Jesus Christ, and the worship and traditions of the Episcopal Church, seeking to make **disciples** and to **draw** our neighbors into a relationship of love, strength and hope.

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Year A

May 21, 2023

10:00 AM

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The Rev. Pauline Samuel, Rector
The Rev. Faustina Ward Osborne, Deacon
Audra Ryes, Seminarian
The Rev. Dr. Adrian Ford, Director of Music

Prelude

PARADE OF FLAGS & CARIBBEAN DANCERS

OPENING HYMN Praise Him! Praise Him! AAHH #178

1. Praise him, praise him! Jesus, our blessed redeemer!
Sing, O earth, his wonderful love proclaim!
Hail him, hail him! Highest archangels in glory!
Strength and honor give to his holy name!
Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children.
In his arms he carries them all day long.

Refrain:

Praise him! Praise him! tell of his excellent greatness.
Praise him! Praise him! ever in joyful song.

2. Praise him, praise him! Jesus, our blessed redeemer!
For our sins, he suffered, and bled, and died.
He our rock, our hope of eternal salvation,
hail him, hail him! Jesus, the crucified.
Sound his praises, Jesus who bore our sorrows,
love unbounded, wonderful, deep, and strong. [Refrain]

3 Praise him, praise him! Jesus, our blessed redeemer!
Heav'nly portals loud with hosannas ring!
Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever!
Crown him, crown him! prophet, and priest, and king!
Christ is coming, over the world victorious.
Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong. [Refrain]

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen, indeed. Alleluia.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant & People:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GLORY TO GOD

LEVAS II #243

Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name,
Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, Glory, Glory hallelujah,
Lord we praise your Holy name.

You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name.. Glory, Glory hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Acts 1:6-14

Reader: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; *

let those who hate him flee before him.

2 Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; *

as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; *

let them also be merry and joyful.

4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;

exalt him who rides upon the heavens; *

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, *

God in his holy habitation!

6 God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; *
 but the rebels shall live in dry places.

7 O God, when you went forth before your people, *
 when you marched through the wilderness,

8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,
 at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, *
 at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; *
 you refreshed the land when it was weary.

10 Your people found their home in it; *
 in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; *
 sing praises to the Lord.

34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; *
 he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

35 Ascribe power to God; *
 his majesty is over Israel;
 his strength is in the skies.

SECOND READING: I Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Reader: A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN Jesus Saves AAHH # 558

1. We have heard the joyful sound:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Spread the tidings all around:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Bear the news to ev'ry land,
Climb the steeps and cross the waves;
Onward! 'tis our Lord's command;
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

3. Sing above the battle strife:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
By His death and endless life
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Sing it softly through the gloom,
When the heart for mercy craves;
Sing in triumph o'er the tomb:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

2. Waft it on the rolling tide:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Tell to sinners far and wide:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Sing, ye islands of the sea;
Echo back, ye ocean caves;
Earth shall keep her jubilee:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

4. Give the winds a mighty voice:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Let the nations now rejoice:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Shout salvation full and free;
Highest hills and deepest caves;
This our song of victory:
Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

THE GOSPEL: John 17:1-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers for the People

Celebrant: Our prayers express our dependence upon God for everything. We realize God's generosity, greatness and glory so we praise and adore God. I invite us to take a few moments as we begin our prayers to express our gratitude for what God has done and is doing in our lives. For whom and what do you give God thanks?

Congregation audibly offers their thanksgivings.

Celebrant: *For whom do we lift in prayer?*

Congregation audibly offers prayer requests.

A Litany for the Nations and Peoples of the Caribbean

Litanist: Almighty God, giver of all good things: We thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of the Caribbean.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: We thank you for the great resources of the Caribbean.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: We thank you for all those who have made the Caribbean strong.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: We thank you for the torch of liberty which has been lit in the Caribbean.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: We ask God's blessings upon the young people of the Caribbean that they may continue to know both the history of and see the vision for the Caribbean.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: God we pray for the leaders of the Caribbean nations that they will have the will and resources to build the infrastructure of their nations, to provide economic opportunities, housing and healthcare for all people who seek to better their lives and the lives of others.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: O God, we remember and honor our African ancestors who were captured, forcibly enslaved and brought the New World. We remember the men and women who lost their lives fighting for the freedom we enjoy today.

People: Hear us Lord.

Litanist: O Help us, O Lord, to finish the good work begun. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, and to abolish poverty and crime. And hasten the day when all our people, with many voices in one united chorus, will glorify your holy name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Passing of the Peace Song:

How can I say that I love the Lord whom I never ever seen before and forget to say that I love the one whom I walk beside each and every day?

How can I look upon your face and ignore God's love; you I must embrace? You're my brother, you're my sister and I love you with the Love of the Lord.

THE ROLL CALL OF CARIBBEAN NATIONS & DANCERS (Instrumental Steel Pan)

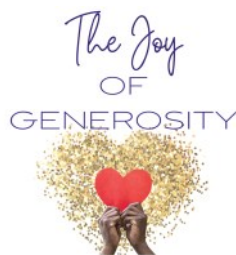
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY INVITATION *Said by All*

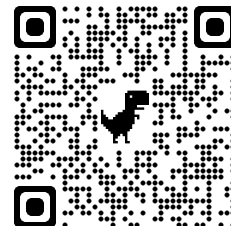
Out of abundance of God's own life, we have received the abundance of God's creation, God's word and God's love. What we give in response to God's generosity matters—not just to us, not just to those who receive our gifts, but to God.

Celebrant: I invite you to give generously in joyful thanksgiving for all God's goodness in your life.

The Ushers will pass the offering plate at this time in which you may place your offering.



You can also text
"STPAULSATL306" to
73256 to give or scan the
QR code using your mobile
device to give your offering.



OFFERTORY HYMN Leaning on the Everlasting Arms AAHH #371

1. What a fellowship, what a joy divine, Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

Refrain:

Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

2. O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, Leaning on the everlasting arms;
O how bright the path grows from day to day, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

[Refrain]

3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, Leaning on the everlasting arms?
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, Leaning on the everlasting arms.

[Refrain]

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures, here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Celebrant: Gracious and loving God, as a community of faith we share these gifts of bread, wine and alms. We pray that you will bless them, and bless us, as we are the hands of Christ that build your kingdom. We pray that they will bring honor and glory to you as we work together in love; that they will bring comfort and blessing to the needy and oppressed. And we pray that they will be a light to guide all to a closer relationship with you. In the name of our loving Savior, Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving – BCP, Eucharistic Prayer A

SURSUM CORDA

The People remain standing.

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We Lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

LEVAS II 255

Holy, holy, holy,
Holy, holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

EPICLESIS

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER LED BY JUDITH & ROGER MCFARQUAHAR

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

INVITATION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

DISTRIBUTION

For bread only, hold out one hand and the communion minister will place the bread in your hand. For bread and wine, hold out both hands and a communion minister will intinct the bread in the wine and place in your hand.

Bread and/or Wine is given to the communicants with these words

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

The Body and blood of Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

INSTRUMENTAL STEEL PAN

COMMUNION HYMN There is Power in the Blood AAHH #258

I Would you be free from the burden of sin?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Would you o'er evil a victory win?
There's wonderful pow'r in the blood.

Refrain:

There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r
In the blood of the Lamb;
There is pow'r, pow'r, wonder-working pow'r
In the precious blood of the Lamb.

2 Would you be free from your passion and pride?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Come for a cleansing to Calvary's tide—
There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. [Refrain]

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3 Would you be whiter, yes brighter than snow?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Sin-stains are lost in its life-giving flow—
There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. [Refrain]

4 Would you do service for Jesus, your King?
There's pow'r in the blood, pow'r in the blood;
Would you live daily His praises to sing?
There's wonderful pow'r in the blood. [Refrain]

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, you created us in your image and because we are made in your image, we are made to reflect your giving and generous nature. Shape our hearts, minds, and souls that we might learn to give as freely as you give. For you are a God who holds nothing back but lays down even your own life for us. We ask that you stir us to dare more boldly, and push back the horizons of our hope, and to push us into the future in strength, courage, hope, and love. Amen.

The Blessing

In every moment of this day may you know the embrace of God's love, may you hear the whisper of God's voice, may you feel the presence of God's spirit, may you share the knowledge of God's grace, and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

To God Be the Glory

AAHH #157

I To God be the glory - great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus, the Son,
and give Him the glory - great things He hath done.

2 O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. [Refrain]

3 Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. [Refrain]

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia .
People **Thanks be to God.** Alleluia, Alleluia .

INSTRUMENTAL POSTLUDE

**It is appropriate to mediate or pray silently until the end of the Postlude.
Should you choose to exit the Nave, please do so quietly to respect this time of
prayer and meditation.**

Welcome Home, Welcome To ST. PAUL'S



Our Rector, Wardens, Vestry and Members of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Atlanta extend to you a warm welcome and thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are without a church family, please consider St. Paul's your new home!

Thank
You

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
JOINING US TODAY. IF YOU'RE
VISITING FOR THE FIRST TIME
OR THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG
TIME, SCAN THE QR CODE SO
WE CAN CONNECT!



Connect
with
Mother Pauline



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To schedule a Zoom Meeting

<https://calendly.com/psamuel-stpauls/30min>

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Here are a few ways to connect with Mother Pauline apart from Saturdays & Sundays:

Church Office: 404-696-3620 Email: psamuel@stpaulsatl.org

To schedule a Zoom appointment Wednesday - Friday visit the link above:

Sabbath Days are Monday & Tuesday



Altar Flowers -Flowers are a wonderful way to Honor, Remember and to Give Thanks. If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, please submit your dedication information to Rose Marie Hutchinson Lockett at rmhl127@yahoo.com 404) 403-6708 and to our Church Administrator at admin@stpaulsatl.org. or (404) 696-3620. Please include both email address for your request.

The request must be submitted by the Monday prior to the upcoming Sunday for which the flower dedication is intended.



Thank you St. Paul's!!! We have transitioned to Realm and we are up and running! Have you created your profile? Are you giving electronically through Realm? **Realm is our official method of electronic giving.**

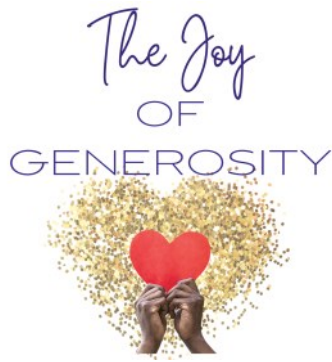
Need a few tips about setting up your profile? If you previously had an ACS profile, you should have already received an email to join the **Realm** online community. The subject line of the email is: *St. Paul's Episcopal Church: Reminder to join our online community!*

If you did not have an ACS profile, please contact the church office either by phone: 404-696-3620 or email: admin@stpaulsatl.org to get started with Realm.

Realm is an online ministry tool that will help us stay engaged and connected with each other at St. Paul's. It has a membership directory, the ability to chat within small groups and will keep track log of your financial giving and pledges in real time. It's the perfect tool to help you manage your church life.

How does it work? We will train you **on** how to use it. Realm trainings are ongoing, and we are happy to answer any questions you may have about the new church management system.

When giving electronically such as Text to Give, please ensure that you are using the correct text to give code 'STPAULSATL306' if you don't add the 306 you are directed to another St. Paul's church. Also, when using Text to Give or the QR code -please double check that you see our purple banner with St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Atlanta, GA at the top of the page before giving. There are many churches with the name St. Paul's in them and we want to make sure your offering gets to the right one-your home church!



Stewardship 2023—The Joy of Generosity

The invitation is for us to adopt a mindset of gratitude, faith and prayer as we think about being good caretakers of the resources God has given. As St. Paul's plans for the ministry work of 2023 we ask that you pray and discern what your financial, time, and talent commitment will be and even consider increasing your commitment. As you pray, know that this a commitment you are making to God as to how you will give through St. Paul's to do God's work.

To make a pledge, visit: www.stpaulsatl.org/give

May 2023 Calendar of Events

Caribbean Sunday - Sunday, May 21, 2023

Vestry Working Retreat - Wednesday, May 24, 2023 - 7:00 PM.



**Baptism
AT ST. PAUL'S**

Entering a new life in *Christ!* 

Holy Baptism is held throughout the year at our Sunday services. The next date will be:

**Pentecost Sunday
May 28th**



Contact the church office to plan a baptism:
admin@stpaulsatl.org



Lay Readers Retreat

Have you considered becoming a Lay Reader?

Are you already a Lay reader who wants to learn more about the role?

Did you ever wonder what is required to become a Lay Reader?

Are you interested in learning about resources to help you deliver a more meaningful reading? Well here's your opportunity!

All current and prospective Lay Readers are invited to the first St. Paul's Lay Readers Retreat.

When: Saturday, May 20 at 11am


Where: Bowden Hall

Light refreshments will be provided.

Honor Sunday 2023



During our worship service on **June 4**, we will honor and celebrate our students! If your student has completed Kindergarten, Elementary School, Middle School, High School, College, or Graduate School in 2023., we would like to celebrate their accomplishment. **Please complete this form by Wednesday, May 24, 2023.** Please see the E-news for to complete the form or contact the Parish Office.

*Wednesday Night***BIBLE STUDY**

Join us for a special 3-week series on the Letter James:
Orthodox Christianity Then & Now



7pm on Zoom
Meeting ID: 971 4846 8538
Passcode: 097690

ORTHODOX CHRISTIANITY THEN
AND NOW: The Martyrdom of St.
James the Just, the Brother of God
and First Bishop of Jerusalem.

**Join us to unpack this simple guide to
life.**

Wednesday, May 17th. 2023 - James 2:1-26
Wednesday, May 24th, 2023 - James 3:1-4:12
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THE REV. DR. CHRIS SCOTT

Born in the Republic of Trinidad & Tobago and raised in Queens, NY, the Rev. Dr. Chris Scott, operating in the gifts of Prophecy and Encouragement, is a Licensed and Ordained Pastor for Church Beyond Walls Ministries. Pastor Chris dually serves as Missions Director at Tabernacle of Praise Church International - training and leading missionaries to serve in the Nations. She is a Missionary to Haiti, Belize, Jamaica, South Africa, Trinidad & Tobago, Costa Rica, and the Dominican Republic, where she has ministered at several Churches.

A Master Life Coach to Life Coaches globally for over 20 years, Pastor Chris has trained and mentored Ministry Consultants, Apostles, Bishops, and Pastors to help better coach their leadership teams to serve more effectively. She has trained and certified over 650 Life Coaches in Georgia alone.

In 2015, Pastor Chris received the honor of being presented with The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA), by President Barak Obama, which is a national recognition for her work in the community.

She is author of the book, "Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts: Connecting the Dots to Your Purpose" that has blessed people globally. Her second book "Treasures in My Heart" is an Anthology compiled of the stories by 12 amazing co-authors that made the Amazon Best Seller list and #1 New Release. A six-time Author, her other books "Beyond the Smile", "The Apple of His Eyes" and "Good Morning My Sister", a devotional are all now available in stores and libraries in South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, The Bahamas and throughout the United States.

A graduate of Jacksonville Theological Seminary, Pastor Chris received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology and a Masters in Christian Psychology. She is also a graduate of Ohio Christian University and earned a bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and has earned the Doctorate of Divinity from Trinity Business College. Along with her husband, Pastor A.C. Scott, Pastor Chris leads the well-sought after "LOVING YOU UNTIL" Marriage Ministry.

In addition to her pastoral work, Pastor Chris is Founder of SoReal Productions, LLC, a performing arts and film company dedicated to telling rich and powerful stories that make a positive impact in the lives of other. She is also Founder of SoReal Life Solutions, LLC, which focuses on helping people pursue and enhance their life goals through coaching, counseling and education. She is the CEO of Coaching Forward International Inc., a non-profit organization based in Georgia, serving the homeless population.

Pastor Chris is also the owner and creative director of Trinity Performing Arts Academy. She has also served as director, producer and executive producer on several films and stage productions. Pastor Chris was honored by the Atlanta Dream, WNBA team and presented an award by the owner Kelly Loeffler for one of Atlanta's most Aspiring Woman.

Pastor Chris served as President & CEO of the Caribbean Association of Georgia, Inc., (CAG). During her tenure, she led the organization into relationships that supported the organizational mission of helping others, building cultural awareness while growing the reach of CAG. She also focused on increasing support for children, seniors, veterans, the homeless, students and locally underserved communities.

Pastor Chris and her husband Pastor A.C. Scott have been married for 36 years and are the parents of three beautiful adult children and five amazing grandchildren.

Please pray for the following people

Sick

Pat Allen
 Louisa Anthony
 Tracey Black-Crawford
 Mary Bowden
 Harriett Bowens
 Silva Britt
 Dolores Burley
 Ida Demons
 Kimberly English
 Vivian Fitzhugh
 Venita Forde
 Andrew Gumbs
 Kayla Hall
 Billie Hicks
 Bruce Ingram
 Rekitia Kendrick
 Laundrea Lewis
 Barbara Manson
 Carl Manson
 Frances B. Martin
 Clarence Mitchell
 Christy Moffitt
 Sharon Pierro
 William Pillow
 Mildred Singleton
 Bonnie Smith
 Andrew Smith
 Nadiine Smith
 Emory Stevens
 Mary Ware
 Ann Washington
 Jackie Forde-Wright

Homebound

Sandye Ellis
 Louise Larkin
 Gervis Manson
 Rhoda Tolbert
 Yvonne Miller-Brogley

Deceased

Dianne Y. Blakely
 Gary Felder
 Carolyn Long-Banks
 Dr. Cleo P. Coles Jr.
 Sharon Pierro

Keep in Prayer

Agnes Anderson
 B. Javonne Anderson
 Jennifer Arnold
 Ethelene Ashford
 Eva Bird
 Harriett Bowens
 Patrick Bruce
 Jeff Carty
 Kandace Carty
 Jada China
 Ernest Coakley
 Linda Coleman
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 Morgan Coleman
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If you would like to help calling to check up on our high-risk parishioners, please contact the office at 404.696.3620 ext. 229 or via email at admin@stpaulsatl.org.

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