Welcome to St. Paul’s Episcopal Church.

Whether this is your first visit or you have been a member for years, we’re glad you’re here! This bulletin is designed to guide you through the service. Hymnals, Bibles and the Book of Common Prayer are in the pews and available for your use as well.

Our youngest guests are welcome to attend services or may join Miss Wendy in the nursery (room 2) where we have toys, Bible Stories, music and art projects available.

Our Sunday school program (K-grade 5) begins at 10am on the Labyrinth. After joining the procession in the church, our program continues in room 14 where they participate in Children’s Chapel, hear a Bible story, and enjoy fun and engaging activities related to that story. Children return to the church to join their families for Eucharist.

Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets in the Youth Center at 10am for the opportunity to explore the Bible, express their faith through art and discuss important questions. They join us for Eucharist.

Again, welcome and please let us know if there’s anything we can do to make your time with us more enriching and enjoyable.

Holy Eucharist

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

To Jordan Came the Christ Our Lord

Martin Luther/Johann Walther

Please stand as you are able at the sound of the bell.

Entrance Hymn

On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s Cry

Hymnal 76

Opening Salutation

Book of Common Prayer p. 299

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God’s call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.
Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

As Episcopalians, our custom is to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest Holy Scripture. You are invited to do so right here in your bulletin.

First Reading

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
   ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
   worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
   the God of glory thunders; *
   the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
   the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
   the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
   and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; 
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; * 
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe * 
and strips the forests bare.

9 And in the temple of the LORD * 
all are crying, "Glory!"

10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; * 
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; * 
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**Second Reading**

Acts 8:14-17

A reading from the Book of Acts.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn** Christ, when for us you were baptized Hymnal 121

All stand as able to sing.

**Holy Gospel** Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Remain standing and face the Gospel.

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon** The Reverend Ed Steever

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.
Holy Baptism

Presentation of Candidates

Congregation remains seated. Baptismal party stands.

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Candidate is presented by their Sponsors who say

Sponsor I present Amelie Elisabeth Vandevyver to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
Celebrant Do you desire to be baptized?
Candidate I do.

The Celebrant then asks the following questions of the candidate.

Celebrant Do you renounce evil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Candidate I renounce them.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
I renounce them.

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
I do.

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
I do.

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
I do.

The congregation stands as they are able.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

People We will.

Celebrant Let us join with Amelie who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.
Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?
People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People: I will, with God’s help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People: I will, with God’s help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People: I will, with God’s help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People: I will, with God’s help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People: I will, with God’s help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Deacon: Let us now pray for Amelie who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Open her heart to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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1 universal; all embracing
Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send her into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Deacon Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The congregation may be seated. Children are invited to gather at the altar to stir the holy water of Baptism.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Acolytes pour water into the font.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Baptism

The candidate, sponsors and family are invited to come forward.

To the Sponsors

Celebrant Name this person.

Sponsors Amelie Elisabeth


Amelie Elisabeth, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ’s own for ever. Amen.

And now Amelie Elisabeth is to be the Light of Christ in the world.

(It is appropriate to applaud.)
Please stand as you are able.
Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People
We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace
All remain standing as they are able.

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

Announcements
Please be seated.

Prayers for birthdays, anniversaries.
For other prayer requests, trained lay prayer ministers will be available in the chapel during Eucharist to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed.

Liturgy of the Table
Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God  
Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Anthem     Shall We Gather at the River      Robert Lowry
Presentation Hymn    From all that dwell below the skies  Hymnal 380

The Great Thanksgiving
The people remain standing.  
Eucharistic Prayer B

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 God thanks and praise.

It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord
The Service Music can be found at the front of the hymnal.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Please stand or kneel as is your custom.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the savior and redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the New Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Joseph, Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 forever. Amen.

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

Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.
The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This is the Banquet of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who fear you have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is the Lord’s will that those who want him should meet him here.

Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome at communion. Our custom is to receive the bread in your open palm. Please tell the priest if you prefer a gluten-free wafer or sulfite-free juice. Sip the wine, if you wish it, from the common cup, guiding the chalice gently with your hand or the Eucharistic Minister will dip the bread for you. Otherwise, cross your arms over your chest as a sign you wish a blessing.

Trained lay prayer ministers are stationed in the chapel to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed. Rejoin the other worshipers for the post communion prayer.

Communion Music

Melodica Sacra
Peace Descends
Breathe on me, Breath of God

Post Communion Prayer

Please stand or kneel as you prefer.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

When the Eucharist is being taken out to those who are sick or shut-in, we will pray together.

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.

Blessing

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also, in your pilgrimage to find the Lord this Epiphany Season; And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this day and forevermore. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

Come, Gracious Spirit

Please stand as you are able.

Sprinkling with holy water. If you prefer not to get sprinkled with holy water, please move to the outer aisle for a moment.
Welcome! We’re so glad you’re here.

- Our ushers welcome your inquiries. They can provide assisted listening devices, information about our ministries, as well as directions to the restrooms, nursery, and classrooms.

- Please take the brochure from the pew and learn more about St. Paul’s and our traditional worship, dynamic preaching and a call to serve.

- You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service and we hope you will stay for Fellowship & Formation from 11:30-noon. For more information on today’s topic, please see the announcements below.

- Infants and children are welcome here. Children under five years old may receive care in the nursery (room 2) from 10-noon. Parents are also welcome to bring their children to worship with them, and may have access to the nursery for their convenience. The service can be heard from the narthex (lobby) and activity bags for children can be found there. Our side chapel can be used as a quiet play space during services. You will find lots of stuffed animals and books there.

Check out next Sunday’s readings at www.lectionarypage.net

St. Paul’s is learning Sign Language.

Why? Because all are welcome here!

We are committed to welcoming all, even if that means that we need to change and adapt in order to become more accessible.

A portion of each of our services is presented in ASL (American Sign Language). As we learn more, more signing will be included.

Classes in ASL are offered at St. Paul’s. Please contact us for upcoming opportunities. Past classes have included: Introduction to ASL (fingerspelling, vocabulary and deaf culture), Song Signing for Children, Song Signing Christmas Hymns, and Signing the Lord’s Prayer.

A current feature of our weekly announcements includes the “ASL Minute” – an opportunity to learn a few signs. Please let us know if there are specific signs you’d like to learn.
Serving This Week

Acolytes  India Howeth, Henry Rose, Gina Trevisan, Henry Rose
Chalice  Larry Myers, Maggie Kennedy
Psalm  Maggie Kennedy
Lay Readers  Judy Wareham, Lori Redding
Prayers of the People  Ernie Fickerson
Ushers  Shirley Myers, Joseph Wareham
Eucharistic Prayer Ministry  Margie and Chuck Cole
Pastoral Care Team  Kathleen Crookston, Pam Owens
Welcome Ministry  Marcia Semple, Barbara Jakovich
Sunday School Leaders  Sarah Lamola, Bridget Wareham
Hospitality  Bruce & Judy Kelly, Nate & Anne Alday, Greg & Karyn Jackson
Altar Guild  Dela Parker, Louise Bretz, Roger Crow, Vicki Paul
Flower Guild  Grace & Rosie Dunlevy, Anna & Pippa Darby, Laura Andrews
Counters  Louise Bretz
Facility Lock Up  Greg McCombs

Highlights of This Week at St. Paul’s

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Prayer Intentions for the Week of January 13, 2019

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop
John Taylor, Bishop Diocesan
Diane Jardine Bruce, Bishop Suffragan

Our Clergy: Susan Bek, Ed Steever, Dick Swanson
President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts
Governor Gavin Newsom, Legislature, State Courts

FOR GOD’S BLESSING ON:
+ The ministry of prayer, study and service of St. Paul’s Men’s Group, the Daughters of the King, Bible & study groups
+ U.S. Armed services personnel serving around the world and wounded warriors cared for in medical centers and those returned home

GIVE THANKS FOR:
+ Our partners in the Diocese of Los Angeles Deanery One in Ventura County: St. Columba’s, Camarillo; Trinity, Fillmore; St. Andrews, Ojai; All Saints, Oxnard; St. Paul’s/Emmanuel, Santa Paula; St. Francis’, Simi Valley; St. Patrick’s, Thousand Oaks
+ Our World Mission Companions: Ankwanda Village in the Diocese of Cape Coast, and the Dioceses of Sunyani & Wiawso, Ghana
+ Our World Mission Companions: the Cathedral Church of the Ascension, in the Diocese of Wiawso, Ghana
+ The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: Church of the Foothills, First Christian Church, Church of Christ

HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:
Lillian, Wayne, Adele, Babs, Brenda, Grace, James, Jacob, Carolyn, Barbara, Jan, Priscilla, Duncan, Frank, Julie, Liz, Bruce, Charly, Paul, Carol, Stacy, Mary, Kathie, Tom

THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:
Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Kevin, Mary, Kathie, Doug, Rachel, Kim

IN MEMORIUM
Rob Weid

Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month. Contact the office with your request which may be added at any time. If you prefer your prayers to remain confidential, the Daughters of the King will add them to their daily prayer list for one month. They may be requested and/or renewed by using the prayer cards in the pews.

St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Staff
The Rev. Susan Bek, Rector; The Rev. Ed Steever, Deacon
The Rev. Dr. Richard Swanson, Assisting
Felix Eisenhauer, Music Minister; Tara Eisenhauer, Assistant Music Minister
Sara Edwards, Organist
Paula Robertson, Parish Administrator
Kathleen Jensen, Assistant Administrator
Lisa Devine, Minister for Family Faith Formation
Heidi Trevisan, Sunday School Director; Wendy Olivier, Nursery Caregiver
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Announcements

Thank you for joining us today!
As Ventura works to recover and find the way forward after fire and flood,
St. Paul’s is here to help.
We’re praying for you every day.
Please let us know what else you need. God bless you!

Please help us thank the following people for our refreshments this morning:
8:00 am-, Dela Parker, Bill Brewer
10:15 am-Bruce & Judy Kelly, Nate & Anne Alday, Greg & Karyn Jackson
(Next week for hospitality: 8:00am-Liz & Ian McEwan
10:15 am-Bill & Kathleen Crookston, Woody & Louise Bretz, Marilyn & Paul Angelo)
If you would like to serve on our hospitality team, please let us know.

Please join us again next Sunday!

MUSIC at ST. PAUL’S

NEXT SUNDAY: As Isaiah talks about how each receives different gifts for the common good, the choir sings Gifts of the Spirit: Love, Joy, and Peace by Greene and Lovelace and everyone is invited to sing a St. Paul’s favorite, Surely the presence.

TODAY – After each service buy a taste of fine chocolates, tea, coffee and baskets that are from businesses committed to providing fair wages and good employment opportunities to economically disadvantaged artisans and farmers.
Thank you for helping to abolish the scourge of modern-day slavery.

TODAY – Arrive in Kahler Hall after each service to hear Dr. Steve Jones’ presentation on the successful Jamaica Medical Mission Trip. See what your generous donations accomplished!

LADIES LUNCH BUNCH—Thursday, January 17 11am
All women of St. Paul’s and their friends are invited to join us for our monthly Ladies Lunch Bunch. Please check with the office for our new location. We gather at 11am and order at 11:30. We always have a wonderful time, and we would be very pleased for you to join us. Please RSVP to Marjorie, Ruth, Pam or the Office by Sunday, January 13.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES AVAILABLE
Pick up your 2019 weekly or monthly pledge envelopes in the narthex (lobby). If you can’t find them, please contact the office.
UPCOMING BAPTISM OPPORTUNITIES
April 20, Easter Vigil
June 9, Pentecost

FIRST MONDAY BOOK CLUB – February 4, 2019
The January selection, to be discussed in February, is *Becoming* by Michelle Obama. Meet at Panera Bread on Telephone Rd at 5pm for food and 5:30pm for discussion. All women are welcome! *Sponsored by Daughters of the King.*

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY—Friday Mornings at 9:15
Join us in the Library for *Entrusted, A Study of 2 Timothy*, by Beth Moore. We are just starting, so there is still time to join us. Contact Kathleen in the church office for more information.

**Why have an Annual Meeting?**
To conduct the business of the church.

**Who needs to attend?**
All members of the church are encouraged to attend. We need enough members in attendance so that we will have a quorum.

**What happens at the Annual Meeting?**
We vote for new Vestry members and elect our delegates to Diocesan Convention. We receive reports from the groups and committees of the church and review our finances and the budget for the coming year.

*Please mark it on your calendar and arrange to be with us.*

Thank you!

St. Paul’s GO
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