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Today, November 4, 2020

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost, November 8, 2020

10:00 a.m.: Morning Prayer, Rite II



Image: Agnus Dei (Lamb of God), 521-547. The mosaic in the center of the chancel vault depicting the Lamb of God set against a starry, deep-blue background inside a wreath which is supported by four angels each standing on a blue sphere. Lamb of God is one of the titles given to Jesus in the New Testament and consequently in the Christian tradition. It is believed to refer to Jesus' role as a sacrificial lamb atoning for the sins of human beings in Christian theology, harkening back to ancient Jewish Temple sacrifices in which a lamb was slain during the passover, the blood was sprinkled along the door, and the lamb was eaten. Basilica di San Vitale, Ravenna, Italy. (From Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.)

Sunday Service

Join us for the Sunday service at 10:00 a.m. on Facebook Live and the YouTube channel. A link to our bulletin is at the top of this email.

St. Paul's Facebook

St. Paul's YouTube

Messages from St. Paul's

Music Ministry Messages

Long time St. Paul's member, Karen Vincent, talks about the violin and viola. She is very accomplished on both instruments. View the video on St. Paul's [YouTube](#) channel.

Wednesday Night Healing Service

Join us via Zoom live at 6:15 p.m. for a new, interactive, online service of healing and prayer. Tonight we remember Richard Hooker (1554-1600), an Elizabethan-era priest who went on to become Anglicanism's most beloved theologian. In the midst of political strife and torn between the emerging Puritan faction who wanted even greater reforms for the English church and traditionalists fighting tooth-and-claw against any change, Hooker articulated the now-classic Anglican formulation of the "middle way." Come and find the quiet center with us tonight!



This "paperless" (no bulletin!) 30-minute contemplative service will include music and chant, Scripture, a reflection on the saint of the day, and an opportunity to lift up your hopes, needs, and concerns in a community of prayer.

Wednesday Community Dinners

Community Dinners have been a huge success and at this time, St. Paul's has reached capacity for weekly dinner productions for the remaining weeks in 2020. If you belong to St. Paul's and find yourself in need of a meal, please contact the St. Paul's office and we will make arrangements to provide a meal.

Zoom Coffee Hour: Coffee with the Rector

There is no formal "class" this week, but please join your clergy and fellow parishioners on Zoom at noon following worship for conversation.

- Sunday, November 8, 12:00 p.m.

Christmas Share 2020

Our beloved tradition of collecting and delivering holiday gifts to Salem-area families in need continues! Already, nearly 30 households have signed up to shop or donate funds, and half of the individuals we agreed to sponsor have been adopted. Way to go, St. Paul's! But, of course, "halfway" means there are still



many people on our list who are hoping and waiting for some much-needed Christmas cheer. Are you willing to help us meet our goal? Call or text Tim or Barb Leque at (541) 571-2075, or email them at tbjamk@gmail.com today. Thank you for your generosity and consideration!

Continuing the Conversation on Racism - Nov. 15

Our coffee conversation about Racism and Antiracism was a positive launching point for future conversations. We considered author Ibram X Kendi's quote: "The heartbeat of racism is denial; the heartbeat of *antiracism* is confession." It was a rich time of fellowship and connecting. Thanks to Krista Hoffman and Johana St. Clair for excellent facilitation, and to all who participated!

Our next coffee conversation, **Let's Start Somewhere: Unpacking Privilege**, will be held November 15th. Join us in learning how identity can impact our ability to notice the needs and hurts of those around us.

All Souls Day, November 8

The Commemoration of All Souls will be observed on Sunday, November 8. As is our tradition, the names of those who have died in the last year will be read aloud during our 10 a.m. live-streamed service of Morning Prayer; the complete list of all we wish to remember will be prayed privately by the clergy at a separate service.

Keeping Pledges Current

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted nearly every routine, but we here at St. Paul's remain committed to our mission and are striving to be resourceful, creative, and steady in our proclamation of the Gospel and caring for our community. Although the building remains closed, our ministry continues and depends on your support. Contributions can be mailed to the church at 1444 Liberty St SE, Salem 97302, or you can donate online by visiting www.stpaulsoregon.org today.

Children and Youth

FAITH HOME

St. Paul's Children & Family Ministry

November 8, 11:30 a.m.

Join us this week as we continue with the story of the life of Moses: The Waters Were Divided. Even though we can't physically worship and learn together, we can still draw closer to Jesus Christ. This fall we will be participating in a new collaboration between the Forma and Forward Movement ministries of the Episcopal Church "This is NOT Sunday School." Children and their grown-ups are invited to gather together virtually as we encounter God and engage with the Scriptures. Each week we'll explore a different biblical and theological topic. Can't make it on Sunday mornings? No problem! Register to access the materials for the week whenever it works best for you and your family. This course is

intentionally designed to be accessible and engaging for people of all ages. Read more and register [here!](#)



Poinsettia Fundraiser - It's not too late! Egan's has extended their ordering dates. Pricing for the plants is as follows: \$15(1-4 plants) \$14(5-9) \$13(10-19) \$12(20+) Color options: Red, White, Pink, Burgundy, Jingle Bells. Please indicate the number of plants and what color plant(s) you would like when ordering. Payments can be made by check or cash to the office or online at www.stpaulsoregon.org, please select the Poinsettia Fund in the drop-down menu. Plants will be available for pick-up on December 6th. All monies raised will benefit the children and youth ministries of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

St. Paul's Youth

It's Christmas Share time!! This Sunday afternoon come help us shop online for a family in our community.

You are loved and you are missed! We want to see your faces! Youth in grades 6-12 please join our Zoom this Sunday, November 8, at 4 p.m. to spend some virtual time together.

Virtual Christmas Pageant

The wonderful Christmas Eve pageant that is traditionally acted out during the afternoon Children and Family service will not be able to happen in all it's typical chaos. Fear not! A virtual pageant of sorts will be pre-recorded this year and will be filled with children, costumes, and joy! We want you to be a part of this! Click [here](#) for information on how to participate.



Permission Forms

Parents and guardians please complete a 2020-2021 Annual Permission form for each child (birth-18) participating in activities (online and in-person) with St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Click [here](#) to complete the form now!

Children's Bulletins

Here are some fun ways for children to engage with the scripture readings each week. The bulletins may be printed off and games accessed online.

- [Ages 3-6 Ten Bridesmaids](#)
- [Ages 7+ Ten Bridesmaids](#)

There is a secret code on the front cover page that is unique to our church and allows SAFE and secure access to online games to reinforce the message for the week. The games are geared toward all age levels so everyone can join in the fun!

Step 1: Print the age-appropriate bulletin with a secret code on the front.

Step 2: Enter the secret code at Games.ChildrensBulletins.com

Step 3: Pick a game and play!

Salem for Refugees Fundraiser, November 13

St. Paul's is a proud community partner with Salem for Refugees, helping resettled people make Salem their new home. In support of their work, Father Andy has agreed to recruit attendees for their annual fundraiser, which this year will be online (via Zoom) on Friday, November 13, at 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. (choose the time that works best for you). The 30-minute program will include music, storytelling, and joy. There is no cost to participate, but generous donations are encouraged. For more information or to sign up as part of the St. Paul's contingent, please email fatherandy@stpaulsoregon.org.



COVID Relief Resources

Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency/ Marion & Polk County - Rent Relief MWVCAA – ARCHES is announcing a Rent Relief program for Marion and Polk County residents. If you or someone you know is experiencing difficulties with past due rent or utilities as a result of a COVID emergency then MWVCAA might be able to help.

Eligible payments include rental/ utility assistance, and security deposits.

Please review the attached flyers for more information:

[English Version](#)

[Spanish Version](#)

Food Bank Donation Updates

St. Paul's has been a long-time proud supporter of the Marion-Polk Food Share program. Unfortunately, because our building is closed for the time being, we are unable to accept donations at the parish until further notice. However, you can take donations directly to their site at [1660 Salem Industrial Drive, NE](#), Monday-Friday, between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Especially in this time of increased economic anxiety for many families, your generosity is needed and appreciated.

This Week's Birthdays

NOVEMBER 8

Lynda Bush

Mia Dawson

NOVEMBER 10

Sean Stice

NOVEMBER 9

Linda Lange

Lindsay Strand-Polyah

NOVEMBER 11

Karsen Arthur

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CONTACTING ST. PAUL'S CLERGY: Clergy can be reached by phone or email. If you need their contact information, call the St. Paul's office between 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 503-362-3661. Leave a message and we'll respond as soon as we can. You can also reply to this email and we'll let them know.

SUBMISSIONS: If you have an announcement for the weekly email or bulletin, please send a text to stpauls@stpaulsoregon.org by **Wednesday at 10 a.m.** for it to be included in the week's edition.

ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FORM: [We have an online prayer request form available on our website.](#) You can click the link above to submit a name. You can also navigate to that page by visiting stpaulsoregon.org and click "Church Forms" on the homepage, then click Prayer List Request.

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