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ST. PAUL'S CARES

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF WILKESBORO, NC

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THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Thursday, July 27:

- 11:30am Crisis Assistance in Parish House
- 12:00noon Al-Anon in library

NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, July 30:

- 8:30am Holy Eucharist in Chapel
- 9:45am Adult Choir Practice
- 10:15am Nursery opens in the lower level of the Main Sanctuary
- 10:30am Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary

Monday, July 31:

- 4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, August 1:

- 7:00pm Al-Anon in library

Wednesday, August 2:

- 5:30pm Holy Eucharist in Chapel

Thursday, August 3:

- 11:30am Crisis Assistance in Parish House
- 12:00noon Al-Anon in library

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, August 6:

First Fruits

- 8:30am Holy Eucharist in Chapel
- 9:45am Adult Choir Practice
- 10:15am Nursery opens in the lower level of the Main Sanctuary
- 10:30am Holy Eucharist in Sanctuary

Monday, August 7:

- 4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, August 8:

- 4:30pm Labyrinth Walk, *weather permitting*
- 7:00pm Al-Anon in library

Office Closed on Friday's



Education for Ministry (EFM) Registration Closes July 31st.

Our new EFM class led by Ken Asel will begin in September. EFM meets weekly, 9 months term, for four years, although participants commit annually. It began in the early 1970's as an outreach of the University of the South. Since that time more than 80,000 people have participated, including a large number from St. Paul's as we began offering this group in the early 1990's. The two-hour format focuses on understanding Scripture (1st year - Old Testament; 2nd year - New Testament); Christian history (3rd year); and Theology & Spirituality (4th year). The subjects are studied sequentially. Along with the academic study is a weekly opportunity to engage as a group in "theological reflection," designed to help the participants become aware of the presence of God in their own lives, and our unique calling to faithfulness and witness in our own day.

If you have an interest in joining this year's class, please email Rachel at stpaulscyfm@gmail.com or call the office at 336-667-4231.

Winston-Salem Dash



Join us for an afternoon of baseball! We have a block of tickets reserved for **Sunday, August 6th at 2:00pm** to watch the Winston Salem Dash take on the Potomac Nationals. Tickets are \$13.00 each. Contact Rachel for more information.

Back to School Blessing

Join us on **Sunday, August 26th during the 10:30am service** as we bless students and teachers heading back to school. Students and teachers, please bring an item to represent the school year (backpack, name badge, notebook) to have blessed. We are



collecting school supplies for our neighbors in need, so please pick up something extra as you are completing your back to school shopping.



food • community • sustainability

Volunteer for our 4th Meal Packaging Event

Saturday, September 16th
8:30am-1:00pm



Meals Goal: 20,952
Funds Goal: \$6,076.08

Sign-up and donate:

<http://events.stophungernow.org/StPauls2017>

Save The Date for our Fundraising Event:
Saturday, August 26th
6:00-8:00pm in the Parish House

Outreach Food Collection:

For July, our collection is cereal. At the end of the month this collection will be taken to Samaritan's Kitchen. A box will be placed in the Commons for all donations.

The Outreach Committee appreciates your support in our efforts!



NEXT WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

August:

- 1-Mark Stone
- 2-Kevin Murphy
- 4-Ross Canter
- 5-George Forester
- 5-Randall Faw

ANNIVERSARIES

August:

- 4-Ken & Laurie Love
- 5-Paul & Susan Hubbard
- 5-Wes & Jeri Martin

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers

All those who are ill or unemployed.

All those who are on our prayer list.

ILLNESS

Rik Absher, Carol Ambrose, Jim Andrews, Joe Barber, Ted Buddine, Rayburn Byrd, Ken Canter, Hayden Cleary, Rancene Cook, Ann Davis, Anne Day, Tina Duncan, Ernestine Freas, Ann Fortuna, Gail Gattis, Mike Graf, Edward C. Griffith III, Greg Harrison, Janet Hartzog, Margo Hurd, John Jacobson, Joan Knox, Jane Lowe, Bonnie Merritt, Glenn Merritt, Gary Mitchell, Sid Mullins, Bertie Pardue, Jeffrey Parisi, Curtis Parker, Ester Small, Duane Smith, Rusty Smith, Gaynell Stone, Marilyn Trussell, Anna Anderson Wyatt, and Jane Younce.

ARMED FORCES

Let us pray for the safety of **all our troops**, especially Rob Beauchaine, Alex Cline, Philip Cooney, Karl Duerk, Mike Earley, William Grant, Edward C. Griffith IV, Jonathan Johnson, Brandon Moore, Russ Necessary, Charlie & Lauren Pendry, Adam Pinkerton, Philip Southwell, Mark Stone, Nathan Wyatt, and all others who serve in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world.

Please send to the church office the addresses of troops with connections to office@stpaulwilkesboro.org, especially those serving abroad.

SUNDAY'S READINGS: THE LITURGY FOR SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017

Genesis 29:15-28

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

Psalms 105:1-11, 45b

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.

He is the Lord our God; *
his judgments prevail in all the world.

He has always been mindful of his covenant, *
the promise he made for a thousand generations:

The covenant he made with Abraham, *
the oath that he swore to Isaac,

Which he established as a statute for Jacob, *
an everlasting covenant for Israel,

Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan *
to be your allotted inheritance."

Hallelujah!

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or fam-

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ine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.”

He told them another parable: “The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.”

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master

Sunday Servants	July 30
Chalice Bearer/Lector 8:30am	Bob Will
Usher 8:30am	Bob Will
Chalice Bearer 10:30am	Sharon Lyall Steve Reid
Lector 10:30am	Karen Shupe
Prayers of the People 10:30am	Mary Southwell
Oblation Bearers 10:30am	Ron Myers Tana Myers
Acolyte Leader 10:30am	Jackson
Acolytes 10:30am	Crucifer 1-Nicholas Beard Torch-Katie Beard Torch-Maddie Beard Gospel Carrier-Sharon Lyall Server-Nicholas Beard
Greeters 10:30am	Doug Morris Denise Morris
Communion Bread	Joe Hilton
Ushers 10:30am	Jim Sturdivant, Chief Jeff Beard Douglas Morris Denise Morris Ryan Minick
Altar Guild	Sharon Greene, cpt. Sharon Lyall Cynthia Palazzolo
Nursery Volunteer	Maggie McCann Cynthia Palazzolo
Feed My Sheep Shepherd	Susan Dudek

of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”