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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, November 16:

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

NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 19:

8:00am Men's Breakfast in Parish House
8:00am ECW Bake Sale & Bazaar in Parish House
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
11:45am Vestry meeting in library

Monday, November 20:

4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, November 21:

7:00pm Al-Anon in library

Ann on Vacation
Tuesday, November 21 -
Monday, November 27

Wednesday, November 22 & Thursday, November 23:

Office Closed
No Wednesday night service or Crisis Assistance this week



LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, November 26:

9:30am Advent Wreath making
1st floor of Parish House

Lynne out of office
November 27 - December 7



The Men's Breakfast will meet on **Sunday, November 19th from 8:00-10:15am** in the Parish House and will be cooked and served by the men of St. Paul's. A donation of \$5.00 per person to cover our cost is appreciated. Come join your fellow parishioners for delicious food and fellowship.

If you would like to get involved with the Men's Breakfast, please contact Ken Canter at rkencanter@aol.com.

Christ the Liberator Service

On Sunday evening **November 19th at 5:00pm**, the inaugural service for the new community "Christ the Liberator" will be held in our Chapel. The Rev. Brandon Anderson will lead this monthly worship service every third Sunday. While it is non-

denominational, it will be in the protestant tradition as Rev. Anderson's background is Presbyterian and Lutheran. It will be an affirming body specifically welcoming members of the LGBTQ community. I've had the honor of getting to know Brandon over the last couple of years, and I'm grateful that this community will have such a compassionate and faithful leader.

In the report from our Appreciative Inquiry gatherings under "wishes and dreams," there was a bullet point that said "make space available for other faiths needing a worship site." So we are already engaging some of the work from those gatherings.

On a personal note, you may know that before coming here I served at St. James's in Richmond, VA. We were next door neighbors to a synagogue, Congregation Beth Ahabah. St. James's steeple was struck by lightning in the 1990s and the Sanctuary burned down as a result of it. The story goes that while the Rector

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St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Annual ECW
Holiday Bazaar
and

Bake Sale

- * Cakes * Cookies
- * Bread * Arts and Crafts
- * Pies * Canned Goods
- * Wreaths and Bows
- * Cupcakes * Main Dishes

It's time for the Annual ECW Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale. You may bring your baked goods and crafts by the church on Saturday 18th between the hours of 10:00am and 1:00pm. For more information of the Bake Sale contact Carol Canter 336-566-1311 or Bev Cook 336-838-2549.



SUNDAY.
NOVEMBER 19
2017

8:00am to 1:00pm.
at the
Parish House.

stood on the street watching the firefighters battling the flames, the Rabbi walked over and stood next to him. The two were silent for a moment and then with one hand on the Rector's shoulder and one pointing to the synagogue he said: "we worship on Saturday, you use it on Sunday." The world needs more of this spirit of hospitality and inclusivity.

Please join me in welcoming and praying for this community that is in its beginning stages of life and for Brandon, their Pastor. And know that you are always welcome to worship with them too.

NEXT WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

19-Kieran Cook
 19-Riley Canter
 20-Kathi Johnson
 20-Maria Curtis
 23-Jim Smoak
 24-Stephen Nardini
 25-Kendall Forester

ANNIVERSARIES

20-Justin & Bobba Norman

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, Pam Baugh, Rayburn Byrd, Hayden Cleary, Rancene Cook, Ann Davis, David Eller, Ernestine Freas, Ann Fortuna, Gail Gattis, Mike Graf, Edward C. Griffith III, Janet Hartzog, Margo Hurd, Steve Jackson, John Jacobson, Joan Knox, Jack Lucas, Wes Martin, Maggie McCann, Ann McNeill, Glenn Merritt, Bertie Pardue, Jeffrey Parisi, Curtis Parker, Ester Small, Duane Smith, Rusty Smith, Gaynell Stone, Jane Sullivan, Keith Summerford, Jacob Triplett, Jerry Waddell, Donna Webber, and Cole Younger.

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.

Outreach Food Collection:

For November, our collection is saltine crackers. 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!

SUNDAY'S READINGS: THE LITURGY FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

Psalms 123

To you I lift up my eyes, *
 to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
 and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

So our eyes look to the Lord our God, *
 until he show us his mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, *
 for we have had more than enough of contempt,

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
 and of the derision of the proud.

Sunday Servants	November 19
Chalice Bearer/Lector 8:30am	Anne Hannibal
Usher 8:30am	Doug Merritt
Chalice Bearer 10:30am	Chuck Forester Sharon Lyall
Lector 10:30am	Joe Fesperman
Prayers of the People 10:30am	Denise Sturdivant
Oblation Bearers 10:30am	Joe Manolovich Colleen Manolovich
Acolyte Leader 10:30am	Faw
Acolytes 10:30am	Crucifer 1-Drew Mayberry Torch-Denise Sturdivant Torch-Noah Wansley Gospel Carrier-Alexander Wansley Server-Alex Wansley
Greeters 10:30am	Douglas Morris Denise Morris
Communion Bread	Ramona Curtis
Ushers 10:30am	Ray Stone, Chief Randall Faw Joe Richardson Bailey Koch
Altar Guild	Reba Whittington, cpt. Kendall Forester Jane Will Franz Yale
Nursery Volunteer	Cynthia Palazzolo Ben Staley
Feed My Sheep Shepherd	Sandra Elledge

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his

master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"