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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, September 14:

11:30am Crisis Assistance in Parish House

12:00noon Al-Anon in library

Saturday, September 16:

9:00am Rise Against Hunger packaging event in Parish House

NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, September 17:

8:00am Men's Breakfast

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

5:30pm Combined EYC for Youth Kick-Off

Monday, September 18:

4:30pm Centering Prayer

Tuesday, September 19:

1:00pm Sojourners Book Group in Parish House

7:00pm Al-Anon in library

Wednesday, September 20:

5:30pm Holy Eucharist in Chapel

6:00pm Chez Paul in Parish House

6:45pm Choir practice

7:00pm Dick Underwood Book Club in Parish House

Thursday, September 21:

11:30am Crisis Assistance in Parish House

12:00noon Al-Anon in library

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, September 25:

12Noon ECW meeting in Parish House

4:30pm Centering Prayer Youth Outreach Day



The Men's Breakfast will return on **Sunday, September 17th 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.

Meal Packaging Event
Saturday, September 16th
8:30am-12:00noon

Join us for a morning of fun and service as we work to pack nutrient dense meals in an effort to fight hunger. We appreciate your support this year with this ministry.



Youth group will kick off the new year on **Sunday, September 17th from 5:30-7:00pm**. We will meet in the basement of the Parish House as a combined youth group to welcome our new 6th graders, play games, and fellowship. Can't wait to see you there!



Sojourners Book Group Returns

Sojourners Book Group will resume **September 19, 2017, at 1:00pm** in the Parish House. We will kick off the year with *Here I Stand*, a rather short book about the life of Martin Luther. This is the 500 anniversary of his brave act of nailing his 95 Theses to the church door in Wittenburg, Germany. Luther's action shook and changed the Western Christian world.

For more information, contact Pete Mann at petemann4@gmail.com.



CHEZ PAUL in the Parish House on Wednesday, September 20th @ 6:00pm

Menu: Soup, Salad, & Sandwich
Adults \$6.00/Children \$3.00
Be sure to sign up by 12:00noon on Tuesday, September 19th.

Outreach Food Collection:

For September, our collection is canned chicken. At the end of the month this collection will be taken to the h.o.p.e. Ministry.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00am – 5:00pm.
In case of emergency during off-hours, please call the Rector at 336-223-5762.
(texts are not reliably checked during off hours)

Merritt, Gary Mitchell, Sid Mullins, Bertie Pardue, Jeffrey Parisi, Curtis Parker, Alayna Roitz, Ester Small, Duane Smith, Rusty Smith, Gaynell Stone, Jane Sullivan, Keith Summerford, Marilyn Trussell, and Cole Younger.

NEXT WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

18-Jim Sturdivant
19-Grant Shumate
20-Tina Duncan
20-Kitty Owens
20-Tamara Burkenbine
21-Ron Myers
21-Amelia Minick
22-Alaina Grit
22-Angela Nardini
23-Dan Bumgarner
23-Larry Cline

ANNIVERSARIES

19-James & Beverly Cook
21-Joe & Jenny Richardson

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, Carolyn Ashworth, Joe Barber, Ted Buddine, Rayburn Byrd, Ken Canter, Hayden Cleary, Rancene Cook, Ann Davis, David Eller, Ernestine Freas, Ann Fortuna, Christian Gebremichael, Gail Gattis, Mike Graf, Edward C. Griffith III, Greg Harrison, Janet Hartzog, Margo Hurd, Steve Jackson, John Jacobson, Tonya Jones, Joan Knox, Jane Lowe, Maggie McCann, Wes Martin, Glenn

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, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Isra-

el saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

Psalm 114

Hallelujah!
When Israel came out of Egypt, *
the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,
Judah became God's sanctuary *
and Israel his dominion.

The sea beheld it and fled; *
Jordan turned and went back.

The mountains skipped like rams, *
and the little hills like young sheep.

What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? *
O Jordan, that you turned back?

You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
you little hills like young sheep?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *
at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water *
and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

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Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported

Sunday Servants	September 17
Chalice Bearer/Lector 8:30am	Bob Will
Usher 8:30am	Anne Hannibal
Chalice Bearer 10:30am	Lynn Durchman Elizabeth Freas
Lector 10:30am	Joe Fesperman
Prayers of the People 10:30am	Denise Sturdivant
Oblation Bearers 10:30am	Ron Myers Tana Myers
Acolyte Leader 10:30am	Faw
Acolytes 10:30am	Crucifer 1-Katie Beard Torch-Denise Sturdivant Torch-Maddie Beard Gospel Carrier-Benjamin Searcy Server-Benjamin Searcy
Greeters 10:30am	Colleen Manolovich Joe Manolovich
Communion Bread	Sharon Burkenbine
Ushers 10:30am	Sandra Elledge, Chief Monty Shaw Jim Lyall Bryan Hartzog
Altar Guild	Pam Mayberry, cpt. Rose Andrews Laurie Love Mary Southwell
Nursery Volunteer	Betty Morris Anne Hannibal
Feed My Sheep Shepherd	Sandra Elledge

to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."