
ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ Please mark your calendars for the following:

- 1) **January 10 & 13** – Gun Violence: Finding Common Ground. Join a community-wide conversation offering the opportunity to explore this important topic in the context of our own region. January 10 from 2 to 4 pm, hear from expert panelists and join in the conversation. January 13 starting at 7 pm, an optional potluck supper at 6:15 pm, explore the topic in the context of our faith. Both sessions are at Middleham and St. Peter's Parish Hall, 10210 H.G. Trueman Road, Lusby, MD.
- 2) **January 17-** January Blues starting @ 2:30 pm in the Great Hall.
- 3) **January 18** – Office Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- 4) **January 18-** Vestry Retreat 9 am ó 12 pm. No January Vestry Meeting.
- 5) **January 24-** Annual Meeting after the service. Please have your reports for any ministry you head at St. Paul's to the office by January 15th.
- 6) **January 26** – Office Closed for training.

There will be no Sunday School December 27 - January 24.

Sunday School will resume again at 9:30 am on January 30th.

We will need volunteers so please consider spending an hour of your week with some busy and loving kids.

New sign-up sheets have been posted through February 2016 for Coffee Hour. Please sign up for a date that works for you. More fun if you partner with someone else.



**The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ
Sunday, January 3, 2016**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
25 Church Street, P.O. Box 99
Prince Frederick, Maryland

**To Our Visitors
Welcome to St. Paul's Church.**

We invite you to share with us the bread and wine which we believe to be the body of Christ. We sincerely hope that you will visit us again and consider making St. Paul's your church home. Please take a moment and sign our guestbook.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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We pray for all members of the Armed Forces, especially Drew Beard, Rachel Berry, Graham & Landon Cheban, Julia Croft, Ryan Croft, Michael Freimarck, Jesse Howell, Paris Jones & Jason Duncan, Shiraz Kahn, Alan and Clare Linley, Michael Overfelt, Pete Santos, Dylan Savage, David Spalding, Danny Wilkins, James Wold, Brian Woolsey, and Katy Broom.

We pray for parents-to-be Kristin & Tyler Reynolds, David & Erin Olenjack, Edward & Rebecca Hedding.

We hold hope for the nations of Iraq, Syria, Yemen, the city of Baltimore, Lebanon, France, and all places at home and abroad where there is violence and suffering. We pray for the people in the Middle East who are fleeing the conflicts.

In addition, we give thanks for all of those celebrating milestones this month:

January Birthdays: Joseph Elliott (01/04), Megan Jones (01/04), Jane Lyons (01/06), Nataley Brittain (01/11), Lee Sturdevant (01/13), Moxie Ann Dyro (01/15), Harry Edward Sturdevant (01/16), Carolyn Bays (01/18), Barbara Brown (01/18), Bonnie Walker (01/19), Danny Wilkins (01/19), Saryn Cundiff (01/24), Jerry Pirrung (01/25), Kaitlyn Williams (01/27), Michele Spaulding (01/28), and Steven Wood (01/31).

January Anniversaries: Bill & Dotty Dorsey (01/01), Tim & Jayne Roxey (01/01), and Greg & Gloria Brittain (01/23).

TODAY'S SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S

10:00 am	
ACOLYTE	Samantha Smith
LECTORS	Joel Davis (L), Pauline Wightman (L), Maribeth Wilkins (P)
CHALICIST	Beth Cornelison & Art Wittig
USHERS	Mike & Wanda King
TORCH BEARERS	Linnae & Sara Mae Krohnert
GREETER	Maribeth Wilkins
VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE	Joel Davis
COLLECTION COUNTER	Dana Krohnert
ALTAR GUILD	Virginia Rose Wood & Amber Hance
HOSPITALITY	Jack & Judy Smack and others

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY -- If there is an emergency or pastoral need, please do not hesitate to contact Joanna White at 443-223-0913 (C) or 410-990-9875 (H), or the Parish office during business hours at 410-535-2897. Joanna may also be reached by e-mail at joannawhite@comcast.net.

Ministers of This Church	The People of St. Paul's
Clergy	Joanna White, Interim Rector The Rt. Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton, Bishop of Maryland
Music Director	Susan Yoe
Parish Administrator	Tammy Witt
Youth Minister	Wendy Jones
Sunday School Staff	Peter Dyro, Wendy Jones, Elizabeth Prouty-Due, Meredith Prouty-Due, Tracy Zeeger, Megan Jones, Kathryn Marsh, Susan Vilcheck.
Superintendent	Michelle Dyro
Vestry Officers	Ken Brown, Rector's Warden; Mike King, Church Warden; Jack Smack, Junior Warden; Michele Lyons, Chief Steward; Pauline Wightman, Treasurer
Vestry Members	Barbara Brown, Joel Davis, Bill Santiff, Tammy Witt, Cheryl Hall, Linda Santiff, Karen Smith, Art Wittig
Financial Assistant	Janis Hurst
Registrar	Barbara Brown

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP, 367
Sanctus		S-129
The Lord's Prayer		BCP, 364
Communion Hymn	<i>As with Gladness Men of Old</i>	Hymnal, 119
Prayer after Communion		BCP, 365
The Blessing		
Closing Hymn	<i>How Bright Appears the Morning Star</i>	Hymnal, 497
Dismissal		
Postlude	<i>On "As With Gladness" (Archer)</i>	

*The Altar Flowers are given today
to the Glory of God.*

The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ

Sunday, January 3, 2015 – 10:00 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude	<i>On We Three Kings (Fletcher)</i>	
Processional Hymn	<i>We Three Kings</i>	Hymnal, 128
Collect of Purity		BCP, 355
Gloria		S-278
Collect		

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14



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- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice; *Refrain*
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. *Refrain*
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. *Refrain*
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, *
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts. *Refrain*
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, *
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; *
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, *
and dear shall their blood be in his sight. *Refrain*

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The Peace	BCP, 360
Announcements	
Offertory	<i>Brightest and Best (arr. Archer)</i>
Doxology	The Choir

Prayers of the People

Litany of the Magi

As the Wise Men of old followed the star:

Help us, O God, to follow the leading of you Spirit.

As they were led to the Savior:

Lead us, O God, to him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

As they brought treasures to the King:

Empower us, O God, to bring his gifts of faith and hope and love to the world.

As they fell down and worshiped the Child:

Inspire us, O God, to serve him every moment of our lives.

As Herod was kept from doing him harm:

Keep us, O God, from doing violence to his Name by thought or word or deed.

As Mary kept all things and pondered them in her heart:

Enable us, O God, to remember and to love

As you Son shines forever as the Light of the world:

Shine forth in us, O God, that we may be lights of the world in our generation.

Holy Jesus, come from God:

Fill us now and always with your light. Amen.

We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble, especially:

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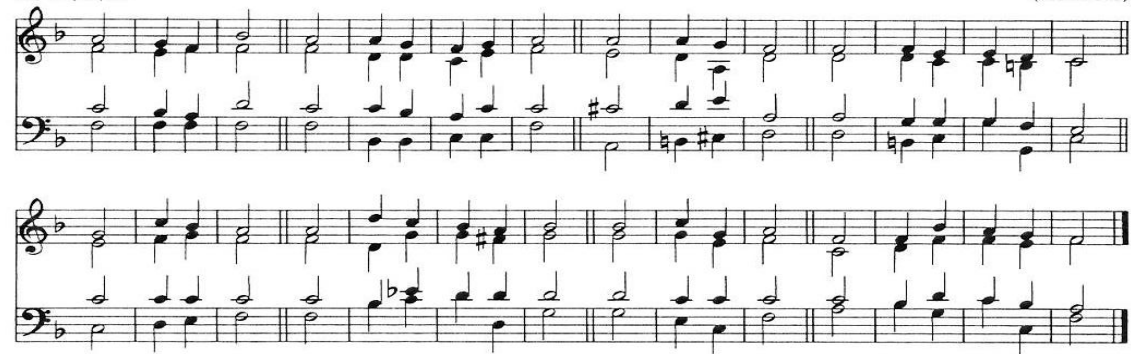
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Second Reading

Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Sequence Hymn*Arise, Shine, For Your Light is Come*Herbert S. Oakeley
(1830-1903)**S 225**

- 1 Arise, shine, for your ¹light has ¹come, *
and the glory of the ¹Lord has ¹dawned up ¹on you.
 - 2 For behold, darkness ¹covers the ¹land; *
deep ¹gloom en ¹shrouds the ¹peoples.
 - 3 But over you the ¹Lord will ¹rise, *
and his ¹glory will ap ¹pear up ¹on you.
 - 4 Nations will ¹stream to your ¹light, *
and kings to the ¹brightness ¹of your ¹dawning.
 - 5 Your gates will ¹always be ¹open; *
by day or ¹night they will ¹never be ¹shut.
 - 6 They will call you, The ¹City of the ¹Lord, *
The Zion of the ¹Holy ¹One of ¹Israel.
 - 7 Violence will no more be ¹heard in your ¹land, *
ruin or de ¹struction with ¹in your ¹borders.
 - 8 You will call your ¹walls, Sal ¹vation, *
and ¹all your ¹portals, ¹Praise.
 - 9 The sun will no more be your ¹light by ¹day; *
by night you will not ¹need the ¹brightness of the ¹moon.
 - 10 The Lord will be your ever ¹lasting ¹light, *
and your ¹God will ¹be your ¹glory.
- (Gloria Patri may be omitted)*
 Glory to the Father, and ¹to the ¹Son, *
 and ¹to the ¹Holy ¹Spirit:
 As it was in the be ¹ginning, is ¹now, *
 and ¹will be for ¹ever. A ¹men.

*Gloria Patri must be used with chant S 225.***Gospel****Matthew 2:1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
 are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
 for from you shall come a ruler
 who is to shepherd my people Israel."

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

**Homily
Nicene Creed****Joanna White
BCP, 358**