

This Week at



OCTOBER 16
2025

THE PARISH AT A GLANCE

Worship

SUNDAY, October 19

Holy Eucharist, Rite II - *The 19th Sunday After Pentecost*

Guest Speaker Paul Pierce

WEDNESDAY, October 22

5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer

Upcoming Events

OCT 21: Vestry Meets via Zoom at 7 p.m.

OCT 23: Truck & Treat 5 - 8 p.m. at the Ag Center

NOV 2: Stewardship Kickoff Brunch!

Through DEC 31 - Keep Columbus Beautiful Shoe Drive

Connect and Serve: Hospitality

A **Hospitality Committee** is being formed and needs members. This team will welcome visitors and coordinate Sunday coffee, 1st Sunday Brunch, and the Christmas meal, along with other special events. Contact Erin or Rose if you are interested in this ministry.

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IN OUR PARISH

Paul Pierce of Springer Opera House to Speak October 19

On Sunday, October 19, St. Nicholas will host guest speaker Paul Pierce, known for his many years as Artistic Director of the Springer Opera House in Columbus, Georgia. Mr. Pierce will deliver the homily: "Storytelling - The Eighth Sacrament." Following the service, Mr. Pierce will provide an Adult Formation class on his work with the Muskogee Indian tribe.

Directory Update

We are working our way toward a new printed edition of the Church Directory for the convenience of those who don't use the online version. The time to update your information is before it's printed! If you need a new photo, see Lynn Hall after the service on October 26.

Adult Formation

Join us in the Gathering Room after the service for spiritual development and thought-provoking and discussion.

OCTOBER 19: Guest Speaker Paul Pierce of the Springer Opera House will talk about his work with the Muskogee Indian Tribe.

NOVEMBER 9: Sainthood in the Episcopal Church

Do you feel called to serve your church at a deeper, more spiritual level? **Licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministry** may be what you're looking for. Eucharistic Ministers minister to their fellow congregants by assisting the priest with Eucharist on Sunday morning. Eucharistic Visitors bring communion to homebound members of our church family. See Father Bob if you would like to explore this ministry.

Vestry Meets October 21

The Vestry will meet Tuesday, October 21 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom to conduct the business of the church. Let Erin know if you'd like the link to attend. To see the September minutes, [click here](#), or see Erin.

Truck & Treat! October 23

St. Nicholas will once again participate in Harris County's Halloween celebration at the Ag Center from 5 – 8 p.m. and we need candy! Donations can go on the island in the kitchen.

It's Fall – Time to Recycle Those Shoes!

October 1 – December 31, St. Nicholas will again participate in Keep Columbus Beautiful's Shoe Recycling drive. Bring any kind of shoes you're ready to get rid of. Rubberbanding them together is helpful, but condition does not matter. Those that can be worn will be sent to those who can use them; those that can't will be recycled – either way, they stay out of the landfill! Bin in the narthex.

New Wednesday Fellowship Group – What's Your Interest?

There has been interest expressed in both handicrafts and bridge/card-playing. Why not both at the same time? Or even more? Talk to Erin, Rose, or Father Bob if you have an idea or are interested in being informed about developments.

BackSnacks invites YOU!

BackSnacks is extending particular invitations to the St. Nicholas congregation to help get to know each other and strengthen the bond between the church and this vital outreach program.

NOV 12: Cookies, ice cream, and conversation.

DECEMBER: The BackSnacks kids hope to join us for carol-singing.

St. Nicholas Book Club News

The November read is *Before the Coffee Gets Cold* by Toshikazu Kawaguchi. "In a small back alley in Tokyo, there is a café which has been serving carefully brewed coffee for more than one hundred years. But this coffee shop offers its customers a unique experience: the chance to travel back in time. This beautiful, moving story explores the age-old question: what would you change if you could travel back in time? More importantly, who would you want to meet, maybe for one last time?" [from GoodReads]. The Book Club next meets after Evening Prayer on November 5.

IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Prayer Requests

Your prayers are asked for Ryder Hughes and Katherine Johnson. Continued prayers and loving thoughts for our homebound congregants: Liz Dixon, Mike Sawyer, and Jewell Wells.

We pray for wisdom for those in authority, for guidance for those who feel called to action, and for safety and peace for those who feel fear in these times. We continue to pray for all those in need within our community and those in the world who have suffered

due to war and natural disaster.

Erin Renfroe and John Brent have been feeding the crows at church. This past Tuesday morning, they decided to keep David's trees company while they waited for their morning treats. Bring Erin your stale crackers and bland peanuts – they'll go to good use!



IN OUR WIDER CHURCH

- **News from the Diocese:** [Click here](#) to catch up on what's happening in our own Diocese of Atlanta, including an Events calendar for the few months.
- **News from The Episcopal Church:** [Click here](#) to read The Episcopal Church Weekly.
- **News from the Episcopal Community Foundation:** [Click here](#) to read the latest news.



Intimate afternoon at
Historic
1848 Zion Episcopal Church
Talbotton, Georgia

SATURDAY, Oct 25, 2025, 2PM - 5PM

Featuring:



Jontavious Willis

Opening Act



Lylie Mae Love

Limited Seating
Get your tickets early!

Tickets: \$30 - Includes a glass of wine or beer

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