

Grace to You and Peace

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July at St. Paul's

- **Children's Sunday School** will not meet in July. Watch for news about the August kickoff!
- **Prayer Shawl Group** - The group meets each Thursday morning at 10:00 in the Earline Robertson room. All crocheters and knitters are welcome!





HELPING HANDS ANNUAL FAN DRIVE



Helping Hands is accepting NEW fans and monetary donations for fans throughout the summer months. Fans can be dropped off at Helping Hands (223 22nd St N) M-Th 8:30am-12:30pm and monetary donations can be mailed to P.O. Box 1241, Columbus, MS 39703

For more information, please contact Jennifer Garrard at 662-328-8301 or hhands389@gmail.com

BEAT THE SUMMER HEAT



GOD WILLING AND THE PEOPLE CONSENTING

The Reverend Doctor Dorothy Sanders Wells

WILL BE ORDAINED AND CONSECRATED A BISHOP IN THE
ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH
AND
ELEVENTH BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF MISSISSIPPI

SATURDAY, THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JULY
IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL
ATHLETICS AND RECREATION CENTER (ARC)
RIDGELAND, MISSISSIPPI

CHIEF CONSECRATOR
THE MOST REVEREND MICHAEL B. CURRY
PRESIDING BISHOP AND PRIMATE OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE BISHOP AND STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE
REQUEST YOUR PRAYERS AND THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE

Clergy: Red stoles
Bishops: Rochet, chimere
Priests and Deacons: Cassock, surplice

Reception following
Details: msbishopsearch.com

Gifts of Office for Our New Bishop

The Rev. Dr. Dorothy Sanders Wells

Greetings from the Bishop Transition Committee!

Mississippi is known as The Hospitality State, and one of the ways we can lovingly welcome our new bishop, The Rev. Dr. Dorothy Sanders Wells, is by providing the vestments and items she will use when traveling the diocese as part of her Episcopacy.

If your parish and/or parishioners would like to donate to the Gifts Of Office for [The Eleventh Bishop Of Mississippi](#), please provide them with this link [Bishop Gifts](#), which also shows examples of some of the gift items and contains an area for giving.

We would like to thank you in advance for your loving contributions and also ask you to [please share this in your weekly parish communications](#). All donors will be mentioned in the Order of Service at Bishop-elect Wells' ordination on July 20th.

If you should have any questions, please reach out to Eric Eaton at eatonreb@gmail.com or the Transition Committee at msbishopsearch@gmail.com.

Peace,

The Transition Committee

NEWS FROM THE 81ST GENERAL CONVENTION

THE RT. REV. SEAN ROWE ELECTED 28TH PRESIDING BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, bishop of the Episcopal Dioceses of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Western New York, was elected and confirmed the 28th presiding bishop and primate of The Episcopal Church on June 26 for a nine-year term beginning Nov. 1.



Born in Sharon, Pennsylvania, Rowe earned a bachelor's degree in history from Grove City College, a Master of Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary, and a doctorate in organizational learning and leadership from Gannon University.

Rowe was the youngest Episcopal priest in the U.S. when he was ordained in 2000 at age 24, and he was the youngest member of the House of Bishops when he was ordained and consecrated at age 32.

Known for his research and work on organizational learning and adaptive performance in the church, Rowe serves as parliamentarian for the House of Bishops and the Episcopal Church Executive Council; chair of the Episcopal Church Building Fund; and as a member of the Standing Commission on Structure, Governance, and Constitution and Canons. He also serves on the Greater Buffalo Racial Equity Roundtable. In 2018, he became the first bishop to serve on the House of Deputies Committee on the State of the Church.

Rowe is married to Carly Rowe, a Christian educator; they have a daughter named Lauren.

The presiding bishop takes office on Nov. 1. Details about the transition and celebration will be announced after General Convention.

VBS 2024



Vacation Bible School returned to St. Paul's this summer. We set high goals for ourselves. Any child hearing or seeing St. Paul's Episcopal Church would feel safe, welcomed and see Christians working together. So, with God's guidance, prayer warriors from the parishioners, a handful of volunteers, and 38 children, the church was filled with activities during the week of June 24-27.

We bravely added three-year-olds this year, and our oldest participants were age eleven. We were "Seeking Jesus" through our actions during chapel, crafts, games, music, prayers, snacks, and stories. The children asked for a definition of a Christian. Awesome!

On the final day, several children were asked if they would return next year. Responses were "YES," "Mom, be sure to bring me," "I love it, YES!" With those comments, we feel our goals for VBS were achieved. VBS team 2024 challenges VBS team 2025 to continue this children's ministry. The blessings are so worth it! (Hint: marshmallows are the best snack!).

A big thank you to all!

Ann Barham, Director of VBS 2024

VBS 2025

is tentatively planned for June 16-19, 2025.

Mark your calendars!





Parish News



Loaves and Fishes

Packages of Bear Creek or Progresso vegetable or minestrone soups, individual packages of chips, fruit cups and applesauce are needed. Your assistance is needed as we continue our mission to help feed those in need.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Ann Sparkman at 662-386-2585.

Our volunteers served **659** meals in June. Thank you to the many volunteers that make this possible!

Men's Group

The next meeting will be held in August. Stay tuned for more information!

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 am — Eucharist

10:30 am — Eucharist

Office Hours

8:00—4:30 M—F

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July Observances

Birthdays

- 3 Virginia Branch
- Scott Pridmore
- 4 Tom Whitaker
- 5 Coco Fenstermacher
- Ruth Thaler
- 8 Genevieve Hanes
- Brad Mauck
- Robert McClanahan
- 11 Rose Crowe
- 12 Anna Bolton
- Gunnar Gale
- 13 Ginny Sanders
- 17 Hannah Brady
- Reuben Proffitt
- 18 Reynolds McCain
- Livia Windham
- 19 Rachel Brady
- Pat Curtis
- Frank Imes
- 24 Campbell Proffitt
- 26 Caroline Luccasen
- Sarah Anne McShan
- 29 Vernon Davis
- 30 Bill Branch
- 31 Nora Miller
- Atticus Puckett

Anniversaries

- 7 Marian and George Hazard
- 31 Carrie and Casey Mastley



Prayers of Intercession

Gail and Chance Laws	Ann Sparkman	Carmen and BJ Montgomery
Randy Abrams	The Doug Phillips family	Eric Niebuhr
Jesse Dawson	Doug Crowe	Jean Floore
Bill Land	Reese James	Lynne Rosamond
Angel W.	Matt Parker	Peggy Gentry
Wortley Cole	Natalie McClain Hardy	John David Hardy
Mike Crowe	Allen Williams	Jacob Davis
Barbara Conner	Kyle Henderson	Jan Ballard
Paul Cade	Jennifer Claybrook	Samantha Turner
Steve Cavanaugh	David Pridmore	Paulette Frank
Kathy Forrester	Jean Haralson	Linda G.
Miller Family	Patti Guerry	Faye Tabor
Rissa Lawrence	Carolyn Moore	Betty Lou Jones
Darlene Walrod	Henry Murray	Mollie Hamblin
Herb Blakeney and family	Buford Sharp	John Simpson
Jerry Hodson	Sarah Watson	Juanita Trimuel
Hal McClanahan	Cleatus & Harriet Doyel	Nancy Smith
Lucy Wade	Mike Batson	Eddie Mauck
Eileen Gorman and family	Johnny Coleman	Eugene Blaine and family
Vernon Patty Davis	Leann Brown	James & Ann Masinelli
Adrian Hill	Fran Fuqua	John Barron
Joe Smith family	Jessica Alexander	Lee Ann Dorn
Susan Pierce	Steve & Marion McEwen	Brenda Caradine
Ashley Taylor	Sue Hunt	Nursing Home Residents:
Gene Smith	Mary Clopton	Trey Atkins
Marquita Kirk	Dalana Chandler and family	
Lynn Oliver	Dave White and family	



A huge THANK YOU to those helping to stock our neighborhood pantry!

SUMMER COOLING STATION

** Individuals Seeking Shelter From the Heat
** Housing and Utility Assessments*

OPEN TO ALL

When:

- Starts Monday, July 1, 2024
- 11:00AM to 6:00PM

Where:

1501 Martin Luther King Jr Dr
Columbus, MS 39701

Contact:

- GTRHC
(662)549-2643
- Lowndes County Emergency Management
(662)329-5110



