Grace to You and Peace

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



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February at St. Paul's

- **Morning Prayer** Sunday, February 4. Led by Rufus Ward.
- Mardi Gras Church-wide dinner on February 13.
- Ash Wednesday
 - o Imposition of Ashes at 7:30 am and 12:00 Noon in the chapel
 - o Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist at 5:30 pm in the church
- **Lent Book Study** Led by Deacon Rhea, begins February 13.
- Christian Education Classes and Programs:
 - Children's Sunday School meets on Sunday mornings at 9:15 for children ages 5 10 or grades K-5. Ann Barham and Shaula Hailey are the teachers.
- **Episcopal Young Church people**: Led by Dawn Barham and Theo Hummer, EYC meets the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.
- **Prayer Shawl Group** The group meets each Thursday morning at 10:00 in the Earline Robertson room. All crocheters and knitters are welcome!

Lenten Offerings

- February 13 Shrove Tuesday
 Meet in the Parish Hall. Our meal will be provided by the Men's Group.
- February 13 Lent Book Study begins
- February 14 Ash Wednesday

7:30 a.m. - Imposition of Ashes in the Chapel 12:00 Noon - Imposition of Ashes in the Chapel 5:30 p.m. - Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist in the Church



- February 28 Noonday Prayer
 followed by a Lenten lunch in the Parish Hall
- March 6 Lenten Dinner at 5:30 in the Parish Hall

February Outreach

Our Outreach this month is for **Helping Hands**. Please help fill our shopping cart with items from this list:

- Vienna sausage
- Potted meat
- Corned beef hash
- Beef stew
- Chicken and dumplings
- Spam
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Chili
- Regular size peanut butter
- Saltine crackers
- Snack crackers (example: peanut butter or cheese-filled 6-pack)



Please place your contributions in the shopping cart in the hallway outside the church office.

Lent Book Study

TUESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:00

Join us!
The Episcopal
Church
Welcomes
YOU

Evening Zoom
option may also
be available if
there is enough
interest.
Contact Deacon

Contact Deacon

available from your favorite book seller. Different
Kind of Fast

Kind of Fast

Begins

feeding our true
hungers in lent
hungers in lent

This book may take a while to ship. You do not have to have a book for the first meeting. Electronic versons are

available.

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CHRISTINE VALTERS PAINTNER

SHROVE TUESDAY



TUESDAY

13TH
February
5:30 pm

DINNER PROVIDED BY
THE MEN'S GROUP
COME ENJOY GUMBO, RICE,
SALAD, & BREAD
KING CAKE & PRALINES!

MORE INFORMATION

Contact Hosts Quinn Brislin and Will Sanders

Confirmation 2024

We rejoice with those who were confirmed and received on Sunday, January 28, by Bishop Seage!



First row, left to right: Thomas Nettles, David Curtis, Thomas Scott, Alliene Scott, Russell Young, and Mary Jo Ray.

Second row, left to right: Christina Koussih, Pat Curtis, Jack Clemons, Karen Clay, and Audrey Clay.

Back row, left to right: Kaye Truitt, Bishop Seage.

Bishop Seage Visits St. Paul's

On Sunday, January 28, Bishop Seage made his annual visit to St. Paul's to confirm and receive our newest members. Eleven new members were confirmed, and one was received. We thank Deacon Pam Rhea for her work in teaching the confirmation classes last fall.

While at St. Paul's, the bishop also dedicated our organ, which has been restored after the 2022 lightning strike.

It is always a special day when we celebrate with Bishop Seage! He will return to St. Paul's for a final visit to celebrate the new ministry of our rector, Father Andrew McLarty, on February 20, 2024. We look forward to his return!



Blessing of the Roundels

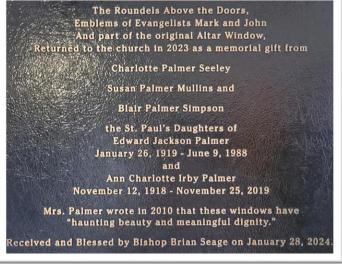
Bishop Seage also blessed the recently returned Mark and John windows now in the breezeway. Many years ago, these panes, called roundels, were removed from the altar window, or reredos. They were installed and protected in the home of the late Ann and Ed Palmer, who both served St. Paul's for decades.

The Palmers' daughters, Charlotte, Susan, and Blair, have given the roundels back to the church. The bishop received and blessed them, and the parish expressed its appreciation to the Palmer family.









CALLING ALL YOUTH: SUMMA NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

Summa Theological Debate Society and Summer Camp

Applications are now being accepted for SUMMA Theological Debate Camp 2024. Join us this summer from **July 16-24** on our beautiful campus in Sewanee. SUMMA is open to high school students entering grades 9-12 in the fall of 2024. We welcome campers from all backgrounds and faith traditions. The application deadline is May 31. **Find more information here.**



Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School (ages 5-10) returned In January. We are selecting a new name for our class. We have two options: **Bible Explorers** or **Scripture Sleuths**, which we will be voting on. We are learning a Bible verse each week, a new song (B-I-B-LE) monthly, and we continue with our Bible studies. All children are welcome to join us as we share ideas, knowledge, and assorted activities, along with snacks.

Ann Barham and Shaula Hailey

For more information about the class, please contact one of the teachers:

Ann Barham elizabethannbarham@gmail.com

Shaula Hailey Shaula-cursillo@comcast.net









DONATE TO LOAVES & FISHES!

What We Need

Bear Creek or Progresso Soups (Vegetable or Minestrone), individual packages of fruit cups and applesauce.



For more information or to volunteer, contact Ann Sparkman at 662.386.2585.

Visit Loaves & Fishes at www.loavesandfishesoflowndescounty.com



Thank you to our outgoing junior warden and vestry members. We appreciate your time and dedication!

Quinn Brislin, Junior Warden

John Brady, John Crowell, Stephanie Gale, and Will Sanders, Vestry

Thank you to our incoming warden and vestry members:

James Hazard, Junior Warden

John Brady, Bridget Pieschel, and Ginny Sanders, Vestry

Diocesan Council

The 197th Annual Council of the Mississippi Episcopal Diocese will be held **February 2-4, 2024,** at St. Andrew's Upper School in Ridgeland. Council delegates are Shaula Hailey, Will Sanders, and Gina Thompson; alternate is John Davis. One of the main orders of business at Annual Council this year will be the election of our new bishop.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a bishop for this Diocese, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP, p. 818)

SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

8:00 am—Eucharist 10:30 pm— Eucharist

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8:00-4:30 M-F

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February Observances

Birthdays

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Adelaide Henderson

2	Martha Gillis
6	Beth Proffitt
8	Audrey Clay
9	Willis Puckett
10	Deborah Johnson
11	Holley McShan
12	Brenda Caradine
	Jameson Mauck
	Tate Scott
14	Cleatus Doyle

17 Clif Scott John Davis Clark

Thomas Scott

- 19 Hollis Fenstermacher
- 21 Ellie Dawson
- 22 Ronald Foster
- 23 Kate Sanders
- 24 Ty McShan
- 25 Arthur DawsonCasey MastleyChristy West

Anniversaries

- 7 Jim and Emily Pryor
- 9 Doyle and Mary Ellen Sumrall
- 23 Mark and Charlotte Hardy



Prayers of Intercession

Rose Crowe Cheryl Byrnes Lynne Rosamond

Susan Pierce Patti Guerry Rose Loftis

Ashley Taylor Guy Gellar Peggy Gentry

Mike Crowe Rita DeWeese Richard Thomas

Gene Smith Carolyn Moore John David Hardy

Keith Miles Marty Miller and family Jacob Davis

Marquita Kirk Henry Murray Jan Ballard

Georgie Winton Buford Sharp Samantha Turner

Lynn Oliver Sarah Watson Paulette Frank

Ann Sparkman and family Cleatus & Harriet Doyel Linda G.

The Doug Phillips family Mike Batson Faye Tabor

Doug Crowe Johnny Coleman Betty Lou Jones

Reese James Leann Brown Mollie Hamblin

Matt Parker Fran Fuqua John Simpson

Natalie McClain Hardy Jessica Alexander Juanita Trimuel

Joy Phillips Steve & Marion McEwen Nancy Smith

Adam Barnes Addie Hamm Eddie Mauck

Allen Williams Ruth Berry Eugene Blaine and family

Nursing Home

Residents:

Mike Longton Sue Hunt James & Ann Masinelli

Patricia Martin Herndon Joe Smith and family John Barron

Sally Cleek Mary Clopton Lee Ann Dorn

Kyle Henderson Dalana Chandler and family Brenda Caradine

Mary Moore Herb Blakeney

Jennifer Claybrook Dave White and family

David Pridmore Carmen and BJ Montgomery

Paige Hughes Eric Niebuhr Trey Atkins

Jean Haralson Jean Floore

Preschool Pictures





