



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE

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## Sundays

10:30AM - Morning Prayer

All services are recorded and may be found online. The best place to go is St. Paul's webpage, at: <https://stpaulscolumbus.dioms.org/> Links to the videos are on the main page, in an article titled, "A Message from Father Jason and the Vestry."

## Office Hours

9:00AM - 5:00PM - Monday - Friday -  
662-328-6673

Please Note: Anyone wishing to talk with Father Jason is encouraged to do so; he may be reached at 662-313-0590, or [jason.shelby7@gmail.com](mailto:jason.shelby7@gmail.com)

## School Update

From: *Lakyn Jurney, School Director*

First of all, I'd like to thank everyone who has donated items that were on our school wish list. The children wasted no time putting the toys to use! I have started an Amazon wishlist on our school account for those of you who would rather online shop and donate to the school that way.

I am happy to report that our enrollment numbers continue to rise, and I hope that this trend continues. Everyone seems to be adjusting to our new software with very few issues. The children and staff are happy, and overall this year has been nothing short of wonderful thus far! Thank you all for your support!

*Please look at the wonderful pictures of our children on the last page of this newsletter.*

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/>

## SOCKTOBER



For the month of October we will be collecting new, unopened packages of socks to be delivered to those who are unable to procure socks of their own. Please bring the socks to the church office and place them in the basket next to the portico door.

## Do You Have What it Takes?

If you are 18, confirmed, and a pledging member of St. Paul's, then you meet the canonical requirements to serve on the vestry. This year we will be electing a slate of four new vestry members. The vestry works to faithfully guide the church through its many and varied fiduciary challenges, as well as helping the priest tend to the spiritual and temporal challenges of the congregation. If you are interested in serving, or would like to find out more about the position, please contact Father Jason or Helen Pridmore.

## All Saints Day List of Remembrance

This year All Saints Day will be on a Sunday. During the service Father Jason will read out the names of the people who have died between November 1, 2019 and November 1, 2020, as well as any others that people wish to include.

## BIRTHDAYS

1	Steve Brown, Emilie White
3	Grace Starr
4	Trey Atkins
5	Lee McCullough, Lee Ann Starr
6	Tyler Sundman, Elijah Hanes,
8	Amber Brislin
9	Todd Gale
10	Chance Laws
13	Melody Vydas, John Brady
14	Cora Mastley
16	Darlene Walrod
17	Linda Blakeney
18	Linda Montgomery
19	Libby Atkins
23	George Hazard, Jr.
24	Bethea Smith
25	Nancy G. Smith, Susan Spencer
26	Francis Cox
27	Jo Harper
29	Karen Benglen, Mickey Brislin
30	Katharine McClanahan

## ANNIVERSARIES

6.	Josh and Lindsay Clemons
7.	James and Chase Hazard
12.	Paul and Anna Bolton
27.	Richard and Beth Thomas

## INTERCESSIONS

Chad, Mandy, Ellie, Nash	Mike Holmes
Kala White Wilson	Stan Murray
Gina Thompson	Jamie McCollum
Doug Crowe	Martha
Saundra "Sam" Chestnut	James & Ann Masinelli
Peggy Gentry	Bill Eakin
John Gentry	Jesse Sparkman
Betty Williamson	Sharon Hunt
George Richards	Brantley Foster
Kim Sanders	Bud Myers
Maria Pintado	Rosanne Lucia
Nancy Smith	Jeana L. Whitacre
Yvonne	S. W.
Lynne Oliver	John Barron
Mallory Caissie	Kathleen Atkins
Elizabeth Clemons	Lee Ann Dorn
Allison Whitaker	The Rev. Don Chancellor
Allan and Maureen Wiegman	Carole Knie
Dot Breland	Carolyn Fant
Eddie Mauck	Tina Louise
Karen Garrett	Ann Nietzke
Vicki Smith	Mark Lewis
Emily Hayden	Sue Hunt
Marchita	Bobby Whittington
Beverly Lippert	Mary Helen Waggoner
Eugene Blaine and family	Dan Waldrop
Rocky Craft	Debbie Weseli
B. J. Montgomery	Bettye
Sheila	James
Charlotte Sanders	Fran Corbin
Richard Adams	Bennett Loganbach
Beth Thomas	Brenda Caradine
Stephen Shelby	David
Pat Herndon	Henry Weiss
Betty Bryan	Barbara Yarborough
Julie Ratley	Joy Clay
	Trey Atkins

## From Father Jason

It was a year ago today (September 30) that my family arrived in Columbus. Most of our stuff was packed up in boxes in Clarksdale, and our life was barely controlled chaos. A year later we are home with two of our children, one of whom was born four days ago. Our life is once again barely controlled chaos, though this time we have the added challenge of sleep deprivation. What remains the same is this: the love and support of the people from St. Paul's. We feel very well cared for, from diapers, to dinner, to offers to watch Rachel, people are checking in and helping us. We are called to serve one another, and in times like this I thank God that so many of you answer that call. It's in times like this that we do well to remember our call to serve, to walk humbly, and to speak only that which is useful for building up. I don't know what the following year will bring, and I could never have predicted the past year. But I have faith that we will face it together, loving each other as best we can: imperfectly, messy, but always from the heart.

## September in Review

1. Admin tasks; Compline.
2. Pastoral phone calls; met with spiritual advisor; met with Sandra DePriest; Compline.
3. Pastoral phone calls; Compline
4. Worked on newsletter, bulletin for Sunday; met with Sam Chesnut re: the death of her husband, Powe Chesnut, and made plans for his funeral; Compline.
5. Pastoral phone calls; prepared homily for Sunday; Compline.
6. Sunday service; prepared bulletin for funeral; received word that Scott Berry had died very early that morning.
7. Met with Ruth Berry and her family to plan the burial service for her husband Scott; finished bulletins for Chesnut funeral. In honor of Labor Day I didn't offer Compline.
8. Burial service for Powe Chesnut; Jennifer thought she was going into labor, and was under observation at the Labor and Delivery part of the hospital all day; she came home that evening, and we hoped and prayed that baby Archie would wait a while longer to join us; in expectation of Jennifer's labor day I suspended Compline until further notice.
9. Began work on the funeral bulletin for Scott Berry; staff meeting; Jennifer and I were on alert for baby Archie.
10. Finished funeral bulletin; pastoral phone calls.
11. Admin tasks; the Very Rev. Sandra DePriest officiated at the burial of Scott Berry, as Jennifer and I were still worried that Archie might come at any time; wrote pastoral letter and finished and sent newsletter.
12. Prepared homily about Tennessee Williams for Sunday's service, in cooperation with the Columbus Tennessee Williams Festival.
13. First in-person Eucharist since early July; the Facebook Live connection broke after three minutes, so the Tennessee Williams Festival didn't have access to the service or my sermon; tried for over an hour to recreate the sermon on Youtube with no success.
14. Clericus meeting via Zoom call; admin tasks; met with Walton Jones to discuss A/V options for the church.
15. Checked on internet capabilities at the church (they're not good); premarital counseling; admin work.
16. Admin tasks involving canons; met with wedding coordinator; pastoral phone call.
17. Phone call with the Bishop; met with wedding coordinator; pastoral phone calls.
18. Pastoral phone calls; small admin tasks.
19. Day off; sermon prep; admin tasks.
20. Sunday services
21. Jennifer and I traded in my Honda Civic for a Honda Odyssey, and that took up most of our day.
22. Communion service for people uncomfortable/unable to come to church; spent time writing for the newsletter-I wasn't happy with any of it; did leg work for wedding in early October
23. Met with Altar Guild Chairs; admin tasks; research into better broadcasting capabilities.
24. Pastoral phone calls; spent at least two hours writing, but didn't produce anything worth sharing.
25. Minor admin tasks; day off.
26. Jennifer and I went to the hospital close to noon, and Jennifer gave birth to Archie Victor at 5:20PM.
27. Spent the day with Jennifer and Archie.
28. Left the hospital and introduced Rachel to Archie - she was curious, wary, but gave him lots of kisses and waved at him enthusiastically.
29. Having Rachel and Archie only 18 months apart meant that I was very familiar with the lack of sleep and diminished cognitive ability. Which is to say, we didn't sleep much.
30. Archie's first visit to the pediatrician's office; Rachel and I waited in the minivan and I read to her from the owner's manual.



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