

October 2022

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



Newsletter

OCTOBER AT ST. PAUL'S

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 & 9:30 AM

ST. PAUL'S THRIFT SHOP TAG SALE

Saturday, October 1st - 9AM – 2PM

CELEBRATE WALLINGFORD

Saturday, October 1st and Sunday, October 2nd

ST. FRANCIS ANIMAL BLESSING

Sunday, October 2 at 2:00 PM

OCTOBER FOOD/DIAPER DRIVE

Saturday, October 8th – 9:00 – 12:00PM

ORDINATION AND CONSECRATION OF THE XVI BISHOP DIOCESAN

October 15, 2022

(Please see page 9 to register)

DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Tuesday October 18th**

APPLE PIE MAKING

October 24th - 27th

ST. PAUL'S HARVEST FAIR

Saturday, October 29th

*****SAVE THE DATES for these NOVEMBER events*****

Witness Stone Project Workshop

Sunday November 6th 4:pm

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November, 20th

Single 9:30 Service

With more on-site events taking place in the church building again, just a gentle reminder to please be in touch with the parish office to advise and request dates and times for any activity or meeting that will be taking place at St. Paul's. It is important to make sure events are on the calendar to avoid any potential overlapping dates! Thank you in advance for your help with this important task!



Dear Companions in Christ,

There's such exciting news about our organ and the Joining Jesus Capital Campaign, I thought I'd loan this space to our Music Director Jay Lindsay to share the details. Read below, and I think you'll agree it's cause for making a joyful noise!

Faithfully,

Debra Anne +

A Note from the Music Director:

You may have noticed in recent weeks that the organ sounds a little different. Perhaps you've noticed there's a little more bass? You may have noticed this particularly in quiet sections. Well, you are correct! I'm very pleased to announce that some renovations were completed on the organ recently and the project was a major success.

It can be a little hard to talk about the organ without getting technical, but I'll try to explain it in lay terms. There are well over a thousand pipes in our organ, and they're divided into about 25 different groups, called ranks. Each rank has a different sound, and may produce low, medium or high pitches. In our organ, there are two ranks that produce the very lowest pitches. The lowest note on these lowest ranks use a pipe that is 16 feet long, so they're called 16 foot ranks. Now usually, if an organ only has two 16 foot ranks, they're designed so that one of them is loud and one of them is soft. This is so that you can have a nice full bass sound no matter how loud the music you're playing is. That was not so with our organ. Both 16 foot ranks were pretty loud on our organ. This could make things pretty tricky when playing soft organ repertoire, or accompanying the choir or a solo singer or instrumentalist. Often, I would not use a 16 foot stop at all, unless playing a fairly loud passage of music. As a result, the lack of bass in soft music can make the music sound like it's lacking a foundation and is less full.

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Thankfully, the Joining Jesus Capital Campaign raised funds for organ renovations. In August and September, the A. Thompson Allen Company worked on addressing the problem I described. They determined the best course of action was to make an alteration to one of the ranks to make it less loud. The technical term for this is revoicing. They did an excellent job, and it's so pleasing to now be able to play more softly with a nice full bass. Not only does the organ sound better, but the choir sounds fuller when accompanied now, because there is a stronger foundation. ***I want to thank everyone who donated to the Joining Jesus campaign for making this project possible.*** I hope you're all as pleased with the result as I am!

Jay Lindsay

Vestry Update

The September meeting involved some final planning for the Ingathering picnic and updates on a variety of topics. Here is a summary of key updates:

- There are exciting plans for church school this fall as generous volunteers are stepping in while we begin the process of searching for a new Director of Christian Education.
- Patti Cullen is the Vestry liaison to the St. Paul's Nursery School and shared information from their recent Board meeting. We were happy to learn that the nursery school is fully enrolled.
- The workshop run by the Witness Stones Project is scheduled for November 6 at 4 p.m.
- The Financial Sustainability Task Force is continuing its work and will report to the Vestry next month.
- The Stewardship Chairs have a plan and theme for this year; the Vestry supported their request for a single service on November 20 and provided some feedback.

The Vestry also engaged in some discussion about how we can move forward thoughtfully as we determine how best to prioritize and structure our parish's ministries. We know things will not be the same as before the pandemic, and we know that we need to be mindful to not stretch our volunteers and staff too thinly. This will be an ongoing topic of discussion, and Vestry members welcome any thoughts you have. We're excited to write a new chapter together!

NEWSLETTER

Your action is requested!

Some folks have wondered for years why they get hard copies of the newsletter when they'd prefer electronic only. With the cost of paper, ink and bulk mail prices increasing, we will be mainly providing the newsletter via email starting with this issue. *If you or someone you know need to have a paper copy of the newsletter sent via regular mail, please call or [email](#) the parish office immediately.* We will also have a few extra copies in church each month. NOTE: Now is the time to make sure you're on our parish email list. If you receive our regular Friday email blast (with the weekly bulletin and YouTube link), then you will automatically receive the e-newsletter. Please call or [email the church office](#) with your current email address if you need to be added to the email list. Thank you for helping us save valuable resources!

The Green Anglican Diocese of Mumias, Kenya



The Sustainable Development Fund of The Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) provides grants for projects that address the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations [THE 17 GOALS](#) [| Sustainable Development \(un.org\)](#)

The Diocese provides the funding, but applicants must be sponsored by an ECCT parish. The vestry of St. Paul's voted to support the application of The Diocese of Mumias, Kenya to address climate change by increasing the forest cover in Mumias to 10% and reducing biodiversity loss through planting varied plant species. The project will also provide more nutrients for the local people. The application was approved by the ECCT and funds were recently forwarded to the Diocese of Mumias. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Joseph Maumo Wandera, Bishop of Mumias, will keep St. Paul's informed of project progress. For more information about the Diocese of Mumias, please follow the link to [ACK Diocese of Mumias – Kenya \(ackmumias.org\)](#)

Change for Change

Thanks to the generosity of parishioners donating spare change, \$188.15 was sent to El Porvenir. Additional good news is that the donation will be matched during El Porvenir's 125K challenge! Please continue donating your spare change to help rural Nicaraguans achieve better health through comprehensive clean water projects. For more information, please visit El Porvenir's website at www.elporvenir.org.

Music Director's Update



The adult choir has just begun singing for the fall, and now is a great time to join if you're interested. The adult choir is open to anyone in high school or older. They rehearse on Thursday nights from 7 - 8:30 and sing on Sunday mornings at the 9:30 service. Plans are also underway for choristers to resume. Some restructuring will be needed, as we were forced to take a hiatus due to Covid. Right now we are in the planning stages, and would like to hear from any young people who are interested in singing. The exact rehearsal day/time and age range for the choristers will be determined once we have a clearer picture of who is interested in singing. All efforts will be made to include as many people as possible. If you or someone you know is interested in singing in either choir, please let me know by phone at 203-809-8771 or email at musicdirector@stpaulswallingford.org.

Jay Lindsay
Music Director

Note: Please see page 2 for more important music news.

CHURCH SCHOOL



We're excited to offer creative Church School programs every week for our children, Grades Pre-K to Five!

For most Sundays (10/2 10/16, 10/23 & 10/30), please drop off your church school-aged child (Pre-K-5) at 9:30 as usual in Wilkinson Hall for lessons, games, snacks, etc. (On Sunday, October 16, we'll offer "Bells for Beginners" to make music together!) After class, we'll come into church to join our families for communion.

On the second Sunday of the month (starting October 9), we're doing something different! Helen Stowe will be leading STORY WALKS at Marcus Cooke Park (across from Rock Hill School and next to 1st Methodist Church). Our first story will be Noah's Ark! Please drop your children at the Park at 8:30, and return at 9:15 to deliver them to Wilkinson Hall, where there will be a variety of follow-up activities and a snack! Helen has been leading these types of walks for many years. Not only will your children be hearing a story from the Old Testament or New Testament, but they will also have the opportunity to learn about the natural world. PLEASE call (203-269-5050) or email the parish office at stpaulswallingford@gmail.com to register for this activity.

A full schedule was distributed at Ingathering and emailed to Church School families. You may request a copy from the parish office.

Please consider being a teacher or assistant for one or more of these Sundays. There are plenty of materials from which to choose and guidance will be available. It is so rewarding to spend time with our young people.

We're also organizing a Search Committee to call a new Director of Religious Education & Formation, now that Miss Frances has moved on to another position. Let us know if you'd be interested in helping with this important process.

Please contact the office or any member of the Christian Ed Committee with questions, ideas, or to volunteer. We look forward to seeing you very soon.

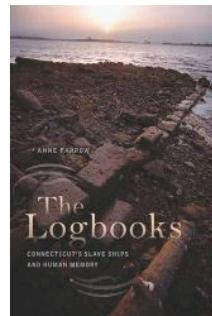
Faithfully,

St. Paul's Christian Education Committee

Missy Fahy, Kristin Liu, Hope McGrath, Karen Rowe, Jane Smith, Helen Stowe & the Rev. Dee Anne Dodd

Adult Forum - *The Logbooks*

Adult Forum has resumed in-person meetings on Sunday mornings at 9:00 in the Common Room—all are welcome! As a complement to the upcoming Witness Stones workshop, we will be reading and discussing the book *The Logbooks: Connecticut's Slave Ships and Human Memory*, by Anne Farrow.



The website Goodreads introduces the book in this way: "In 1757, a sailing ship owned by an affluent Connecticut merchant sailed from New London to the tiny island of Bence in Sierra Leone, West Africa, to take on fresh water and slaves. On board was the owner's son, on a training voyage to learn the trade. The Logbooks explores that voyage, and two others documented by that young man, to unearth new realities of Connecticut's slave trade and question how we could have forgotten this part of our past so completely." As Farrow writes about the Logbooks, she also explores the idea of memory and loss of memory as her mother is diagnosed with dementia.

Contact Amy Foster (foster9092@gmail.com) with questions or assistance in ordering the book.

Unity in Faith Food Drive



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL
CHURCH PARKING LOT

The Unity in Faith Food Drive held on September 17th was a total success for the participating churches and especially for Master's Manna. We are delighted to have been one of the ten Wallingford churches to participate. In fact, St. Paul's proudly came in second with 711 lbs of food and \$260 cash contributions for Master's Manna, in addition to collecting \$150 for diapers and a large package of toddlers' socks for the Community Day Care. The total collected by all churches was 4,608 lbs of food and \$800 cash donations. The breakdown by church is as follows:

- > First Congregational Church 1,324 lbs
- > St. Paul's Episcopal Church 711 lbs > Most Holy Trinity Parish 669 lbs
- > First United Methodist/Wallingford SDA Spanish Church 601 lbs
- > St. John the Evangelist Episcopal 468 lbs
- > Zion Lutheran Church 353 lbs
- > First Baptist Church 245 lbs > Faith Bible Church 215 lbs
- > Church of the Resurrection 22 lbs

-- what a way to start off our "new year". Thanks to our team for helping and to all who contributed.



Lots happening at the shop now and in the near future. We have a wonderful group that meets every Wednesday morning from 10-12 to price and sort and switch over clothing and displays. Feel free to join us!

As usual, the shop is open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 10-1. We have many faithful volunteers, but we could always use more. Please let us know if this is something you'd be interested in doing. Even one 3-hour stint a month would be gratefully appreciated!

We'll be holding a **Thrift Shop Tag Sale** in our parking lot on **October 1, the day of Celebrate Wallingford, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.** We hope to move a lot of clothing and "stuff" down from the Attic, never to return there again! We will need help on the day of the sale, in the shop and in the parking area. Set-up details to follow.

If you are interested in being part of the Thrift Shop Team in any way, please let Helen Stowe (203-848-7113) or Carole Ireland (203-988-7405) know. Thank you. --submitted by Helen Stowe

Ordination and Consecration of the XVI Bishop Diocesan October 15

This event will be live-streamed via [ECCT's Youtube channel](#) -watch parties are encouraged. [Register to attend](#). COVID-19 Guidelines: Out of an abiding love of our neighbor, face masks and proof of vaccination will be required for attendance at the ordination and consecration service.



Saturday, October 1 & Sunday, October 2

Celebrate Wallingford on North Main Street. St Paul's will again have a booth in front of the church and will be handing out St Paul's tote bags, pens, pins and informational sheets. Volunteer signup sheets are on the easel in church. Any time you have to give is appreciated. For info contact Carole Ireland, 203-988-7405.



Memorial Flower Fund

We are now scheduling memorial flowers for the altar through the remainder of the year. And we will have flowers on the altar during Advent, with a purple theme for the Advent season. If you would like to have flowers placed on the altar in memory of someone, or in thanksgiving for a special occasion, please submit your request on the form provided indicating the names of those to be remembered and the date of the Sunday on which you wish the flowers to be on the altar. A \$40.00 contribution for each date is suggested. Forms are on the tables at the side and front entrances of the church. You may also request a form from the church office.

Checks for these memorials should be made payable to "St. Paul's Memorial Flower Fund" and submitted to the church office.



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Harvest Fair

Saturday, October 29
10am - 2pm

65 North Main St., Wallingford

Featuring:

Our Award Winning Mile High Apple Pies
Basket Raffle

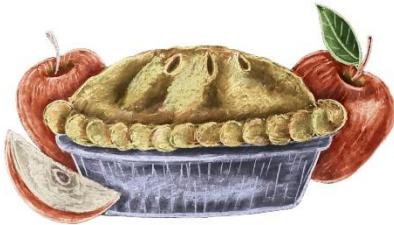
A Delicious Lunch featuring Clam Chowder,
Sandwiches and Apple Pie a la mode

A variety of Vendors including:

Christmas Items,
Dog & Cat Blankets,
Pottery, Jewelry,
Gourmet Cookies & Chocolates
Seashell Ornaments
Beeswax Candles

It's Back . . . St. Paul's Harvest Fair!

St. Paul's Harvest Fair is coming back, featuring our award-winning mile high apple pies, our famous basket raffle, our delicious lunch, Christmas treasures, a wide variety of vendors, and maybe some surprises. Planning is underway, vendors are signing up, but we'll need your help to make this Harvest Fair a success. Any time that you can give will be greatly appreciated. We will be making apple pies during the week of October 24-28th. Sign-up sheets for pie making and donations for the luncheon are posted on the easel in the back of the church. If you are interested in helping at this fun event, please contact **Sharon Rogalski (203-678-4824 or srogal156@comcast.net)** or contact the following for questions regarding specific areas:



APPLE PIES – Chuck Maynard

cblmaynard@att.net or

Ralph Nardi

ralph.nardi@gmail.com.

Many volunteers are needed to help with all aspects of apple pie

making, peeling apples, rolling dough, assembling pies. No experience is necessary – we'll show you what to do.

BASKET RAFFLE – Helen Stowe (asclepiashs@hotmail.com) --

Please consider putting together a basket. **Ideas:** teas and coffees, bath/beauty products, dog or cat items, bird feeder supplies, kids' crafts, baby items, cooking/baking items, books, puzzles, wrapping basket, Christmas ornaments, tool kit, gardening, beer and peanuts, wine, cheese and crackers, gift cards, lotto tickets, stationery supplies, and movie night (Netflix gift card, popcorn and candy). Please attach a list of basket contents and a title for your basket. Baskets can be delivered to the church office between now and Oct. 28 or you can drop them off in Wilkinson Hall the evening before the fair. And we have some very talented basket wrappers who are willing to help assemble your basket.

LUNCH – Kathy Schave and Curt Griesing

curkat01@sbcglobal.net -- We need lots of help cooking, serving and cleaning up. Also, food and cash donations for the lunch will help defray the cost of food and drinks. Please see the donation request list posted on the easel in the back of the church.

CHRISTMAS SHOP -- Wendy Oestreicher

wendyoes@gmail.com – Think about last Christmas and all those ornaments and decorations you didn't use. And then think about donating them to our Christmas Shop. Items can be brought to Wilkinson Hall and placed in the corner by the elevator (look for sign) any time after October 8th.

Worship Leaders needed



Please sign up via the link below or contact the parish office and Jen Parsons will sign you up for the appropriate role and date:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0948aba922aaf58-season>

Thank you!

St. Paul's Altar Guild Update

St. Paul's Altar Guild is a quiet ministry within our church. Our function is to prepare and set out the elements for communion each week, maintain the altar area by sweeping and dusting, some polishing of silver, changing altar hangings, and placing the weekly hymn numbers up. We also set for baptisms, weddings, and funerals. We also decorate our beautiful sanctuary at Christmas and Easter – ANYONE can help with that task! If you enjoy your own holiday decorating – please come and give us a hand! We'll let you know when we are decorating.

Our group has been hit hard by this pandemic (as everyone else has) and we are down in our membership. If you are curious about joining, please see Karen Rowe after the 9:30 service or contact me at 203-619-2410 or by email k.rowe@cox.net.



**Looking for a way to support
children in our community?**

**Consider registering with AmazonSmile and
choosing St. Paul's Nursery School as your
chosen organization!**

Amazon has created this program to help non-profit programs such as our preschool. The best part of this program is that it is free to the shopper! All you have to do is register at the link below and choose our school. You then shop on Amazon as you normally would. As you shop, Amazon will donate .05% of your eligible purchases to the charity of your choice on your behalf. At St. Paul's Nursery School, we work hard to keep our cost affordable so every child has the opportunity to have a preschool experience. With Covid pandemic, many of our in-person fundraisers were cancelled. When you sign up for this program, you are directly helping children in our town and it takes no effort or financial commitment and this program can help us provide the experience our students deserve. Simply go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/06-1216077> to get started today! The funds donated by Amazon on your behalf will help to supply books, art supplies, outdoor equipment and more for our young learners. We appreciate your consideration in choosing our school for the easiest fundraiser ever!

Our Stewardship Campaign for 2022-23 will be



MORE THAN ENOUGH

Over the next few weeks, we will be placing moments of Reflections in the weekly bulletin. We encourage you to take time to meditate or reflect on these messages as you prepare to make your annual pledge. This well thought out campaign created by highly professional and experienced people in our diocese provides great guidance and tools for having a successful campaign.

Please save Sunday November 20, for Stewardship Sunday. Details coming soon.

If anyone is interested in helping with the Stewardship Campaign, please contact Sharon Turlis at
sharonturlis@yahoo.com Thank you

Thank you for pledging!

We appreciate your faithful giving. You may give online by going to stpaulswallingford.org and clicking the red “Donate Now” button, mail your gifts into the parish office or place your offering in the basket during Sunday worship. It’s all good! Thank you.

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

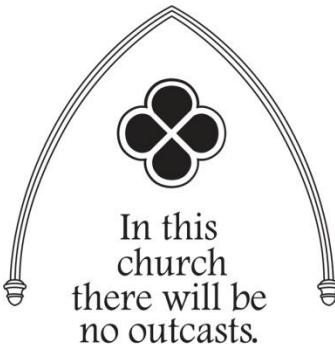
TO BENEFIT



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARKING LOT

**SATURDAY,
October 8th
9AM-12PM**

The community-wide food drive to benefit Master's Manna will take place on Saturday, October 8th from 9:00-12:00 in St. Paul's parking lot. We will be collecting non-perishable food and cash donations for Master's Manna (checks made payable to "Master's Manna") as well as cash donations for diapers. Please take advantage of sales at the grocery stores to help stock the shelves at Master's Manna.



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Fax – (203) 269-3813

Web Site – www.stpaulswallingford.org

If we are not in the office, please leave a message.

VESTRY

Rector, The Rev. Dee Anne Dodd 203

rector@stpaulswallingford.org

Senior Warden, Amy Foster

Junior Warden, Tammy Napoli

Clerk, Ben Henry

Treasurer, Ted Hartsoe

David Adams

Hope McGrath

Wendy Oestreicher

Nathalie Szilagyi

Missy Fahy

Patricia Cullen

Mary Ellen Connell

Please advise us of

- change of address or telephone numbers
- illness, hospitalizations, deaths
- requests for baptisms, weddings, etc

Times for St. Paul's Sunday Service

Comcast Cable Channel 18

Frontier Channel 99

www.WPAA.TV - WPAA on the Internet

Sunday - 5:00 PM

Monday - 8:00 AM

Tuesday - 1:00 PM

Wednesday - 12:01 AM (Tuesday midnight)

Thursday - 11:00 PM

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