



Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2022

Sunday Services: 8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

Wednesday Eucharist and Healing Service: 9:30 A.M.

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

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Covid Update: Effective August 21, 2022

Masks are OPTIONAL unless you are a high risk for COVID or have been exposed to a person with COVID.

Sanitation procedures will continue.

Welcome to St. Paul's

We welcome you to St. Paul's Episcopal Church. If you are new, returning after a time away or have been here week after week, it is our hope that you feel welcomed and comfortable in this church. We are all travelers and seekers together on a journey of faith. We very much hope you will find your time with us one of renewal and refreshment. As you walk with us, may your faith deepen with the hope that you will continue on this journey with us, here at St. Paul's. If we can be of any assistance to you on your faith journey, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Our Weekly Prayers



We pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, DeDe, our Bishop; Trula, our District Dean; John, our Rector, and the people and ministers of St. Paul's. We pray for our elected officials: Joe, our President; Kathy, our Governor; Jason, our County Executive; and Linda, our Mayor.

In St. Paul's: We pray for our Funeral Luncheon Committee.

In our Parish Family: We pray for Susan June and for Tom and Barb Syrell.

In our Parishes: We pray for the people of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Evans Mills and their priest, the Rev. Anne Wichelns, and the people of Trinity Episcopal Church in Fayetteville and their priest, the Rev. Dr. Renée Tembeckjian.

In our Companion Diocese of El Salvador: We pray for the people of Misión San Esteban and their priest the Rev. Alfredo López.

In the Episcopal Church: We pray for the people of the Diocese of Chicago and their bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paula E. Clark.

In the Anglican Communion: We pray for the people of the Anglican Church of Korea and their prime bishop, the Most Rev. Peter Kyongho Lee.

We remember in our prayers our homebound:

Bill & Florence Andrade, Shirley Babuka, Ray and Anneliese Besemer, Mary Buffum, Jenell Clayton, Nanda Cook, Beverly Costello, Harold & Ingrid Elliott, David Fenty, Dan & Bette Knight, June Palmer, Peg Penrose, Louise Pierce, Bill Smith, Ted Snyder, and Carole Walton.



Prayer List:

Carol Marker, Claudia Green, Don Russell (Sandy Schwab), and Lyndon Joseph (Marilyn Karlson).

We pray for those serving in our military:

Michael Kakusian and Matthew Cole





Once again St. Paul's parishioners will have the opportunity to help make the holidays at little brighter for the children at the Children's Home in Port Dickenson.

The big request is for gift cards because they enable the kids to feel like they have their own money to spend. They also provide a great teaching opportunity of how important it is how and where we spend our money.

The most requested gift cards are for 5 Below, Subway, Family Dollar, Walmart, Target, and iTunes. Please purchase in \$10 or \$20 increments. Please place any cards purchased in the box at the back of the church.

NOTE: If amount is not indicated on card, please indicate it with a sharpie marker.



Liturgical Ministers – 12/18

8:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Mary Cermak
	2 nd Reading	Marilyn Karlson
	Chalice	Jennifer Westermann
	Usher(s)	Mary Gilfoyle
	Altar Guild	Jennifer & Jack Westermann
10:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jim Garceau
	1 st Reading	Elaine Yacovoni
	2 nd Reading	Sanders Browning
	Chalice	Sandy Schwab
	Acolyte(s)	Ruthie Koerts
	Usher(s)	Susette Walton & Kristin Walton
	Altar Guild	Sue Hankey
		Barb Becker - Linens
	Counters	Scott Kidder & Dick Schwab

Christmas Eve – December 24th

Liturgical Ministers

6:00PM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Jim Garceau
	1 st Reading	Sue Jones
	2 nd Reading	Elaine Yacovoni
	Chalice	Jennifer Westermann
	Acolyte(s)	Alaina Browning
	Usher(s)	Matt Moon & Bruce Dailey
	Altar Guild	Jennifer & Jack Westermann
9:00PM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	Sue Mahon
	1 st Reading	Jack Westermann
	2 nd Reading	Elaine Yacovoni
	Chalice	Jennifer Westermann
	Acolyte(s)	Meghan Walton
	Usher(s)	Scott Kidder & Marge Johns
	Altar Guild	Sue Hankey Barb Becker - Linens



Christmas Day – December 25th

One Service – please call office if available.

Liturgical Ministers

9:00AM	Presider	The Rev. John R. Martinichio
	Lay Assistant	
	1 st Reading	
	2 nd Reading	
	Chalice	
	Usher(s)	Mary Gilfoyle
	Altar Guild	Jennifer & Jack Westermann Barb Becker - Linens
	Counters	Jack Westermann & Susan Young



Let us pray for **Robert Fiori**, brother of Marie (and Carl) Dollmetsch, who passed away December 11th. We extend our thoughts and prayers to all who knew and loved him. May God grant him eternal peace.

We remember those celebrating Birthdays:

12/19 Louise Pierce

12/21 Daryl Spak

12/20 Peg Penrose

12/21 Marianna Spaccaforno



Sanctuary Candle Memorials:



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week in loving memory of **Joe George**, father of Elaine and Tim Yacovoni.

December 19 – December 25

Monday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	CHOW	11:00AM
	Movin' On Lunch	12:00PM
Tuesday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	All Things Theological follows	
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	9:30AM
	with Healing Service	
	CHOW	11:00AM
Thursday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	Lectionary Study/Discussion follows	
	Blue Christmas	4:30PM
	St. Paul's Ringers	6:00PM
	Choir	7:00PM
Friday	Prayer Service	9:30AM
Saturday	Christmas Eve	
	Prayer Service	9:30AM
	Christmas Eve Services	6&9PM
Sunday	Christmas Day	
	Holy Eucharist	9:00AM

Christmas Decorating – Come help decorate the church and trim the tree **TODAY at 11 AM.**



OUR GIVING TREE



It is that time of year again when our Giving Tree normally returns to the courtyard and stays up throughout the winter, offering warm hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and socks to the community. Our Giving Tree will in fact return but will be slightly delayed until the current construction phase is completed – for both the safety of our visitors and the construction workers. We considered placing the tree in other areas of the property, but past experiences with gusty winds confirmed that the shelter of the courtyard is the best place for the tree and its contents. We are hopeful to have the tree up in early December and of course it will remain there as long as the weather stays cold and we have supplies to fill the tree. In the interim, a box has been placed at the back of the church for donations of the warm clothing items listed above. Items can be purchased or homemade, but we do ask that they are not used. Please place the items in a zip lock bag if possible. Once again, your generosity toward this ministry that has been such a success over the past winters is greatly appreciated.

Movin' On Luncheon

Monday, December 19th at Noon



Our next luncheon will be on Monday, December 19th at noon. The Movin' On Lunch group is held on the **THIRD MONDAY** of the month. All widows and widowers are invited for a time of food and

fellowship.

Calendars

The 2023 Liturgical calendars and the Coleman & Daniels planners are now available in the back of the church. A donation of \$2 is welcome for the Liturgical Calendar. We thank Coleman & Daniels Funeral Home for the gift of the planners



Blue Christmas Service

Thursday, December 22, 4:30 PM



On Thursday evening on December 22nd at 4:30 PM you are invited to attend a “Blue Christmas Service” here at St. Paul’s. This service is also known as “The Longest Night” or a “Service of Comfort and Rest”.

It is intended for those who have experienced loss - through death, divorce, depression, or other life challenges - and for those under stress during the holiday season who need a time of rest. With singing and Scripture reading, a homily and Eucharist, this service invites those who attend to take time for themselves. It is a time for healing and acknowledging the pain and stress that the holidays can bring for some. It is intended to acknowledge that for some, Christmas is not all we proclaim it to be; some struggle during the holidays and this service helps them to express and acknowledge those feelings. A time of fellowship will follow the service.



Sharing Closet

Our Sharing Closet is open to our neighbors on the last Saturday of each month from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. **However, due to the holidays, we will not be open in December and will resume in January.**

Elaine Yacovoni, Coordinator

Help Wanted!

I am looking for some volunteers to help run our sound system and video cameras on Sundays and special days as well as to use the fogger after the 8:00 a.m. service on Sundays. Developing a schedule would alleviate the same people from doing it all the time. I put a sign-up sheet in the back of church. Training will be provided.



Fr. John+

Racial Justice and Reconciliation Group

The monthly meeting of St. Paul's Racial Justice and Reconciliation Discussion Group will be held on **Monday, December 26th** immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Monday Prayer Service. Everyone is welcome!



CHOW Pantry

The CHOW Pantry at St. Paul's is up and running! Our numbers are slowly increasing, and we are seeing new faces from the neighborhood. We are accepting referrals on the 3rd and 4th week of each month on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Because of the holidays, the schedule has changed for December. Volunteers are always appreciated! **(December Schedule: December 19, and 21.)**



Wish List for CHOW and CHAP

CHOW

can openers
crackers
canned vegetables
hot cereal

CHAP

toothpaste
feminine hygiene products
shampoo
dishwashing liquid

Mary Cermak



Mark your calendars for **Saturday, January 14th, 6:30-8:30 pm.** The Social Committee will be hosting a **Game Night.** Bring your favorite board or card game and snack to share with others. The Social Committee will supply the drinks. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church to give us an idea of how many may attend. Please sign up, or call the church office **before Thursday, January 12th.** Thank you!

Ruthie Koerts, Social Committee Coordinator