



The Epistle

St. Paul's on-the-Hill



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A Note from The Reverend Susan MacDonald

Last August, we commemorated seminarian and church martyr Jonathan Daniels' life and the 50th anniversary of his death. Jonathan, a

white man, who gave his life to protect a black teenager, died while helping black people in Alabama gain voting rights in 1965. I quoted him as having said, "The more I get involved in this movement, the more convinced I am of the truth of the Christian religion. I feel liberated, I feel free."

During Lent this year, we focused on gaining a better understanding of how racial justice and reconciliation could be fostered within the local and national Episcopal Church. To further that goal, we held discussions both on Wednesday evenings and on Sundays @ Starbucks. From those discussions, additional events were planned. On September 10th, interested persons will meet in the SPOTH parking lot to carpool to Belle Grove for a traveling exhibit about enslavement in Virginia. That same evening, a group of parishioners will attend the Freedom Fund banquet, the annual scholarship fundraiser of the local NAACP chapter. Later in the month, we plan to attend a MSV Quilt Exhibition forum.

As Bishop Johnston outlined in his Pastoral Address at the 220th Annual Council in January of 2015, "We must do all we can to put our own house in order before we can have real impact upon the problems of society. In other words, it is

when we can witness and minister out of the reality and integrity of our own healing and wholeness that we can make the most difference in our communities."

These opportunities are important ones to seize in our continual attempts to live out the liberation and the truth of the Gospel message. Please join me and others on September 10th as we live into our Baptismal promises and our faith.

In the name of the God who loves us, forever and ever,

Susan+

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Mission Statement

St. Paul's on-the-Hill is a welcoming and diverse community helping people to grow in their relationship with God and each other so that we can serve the world in Christ's Name.



Out Reach: Helping Our Community!

Rector's Discretionary Fund

The first Sunday of the month, the loose plate offering will go the discretionary fund, which is most often used to help church members who are having financial challenges.

The First Sunday of each Month

*Mission Sunday: We Walk Together
A Service of Holy Eucharist, Rite II
From the Book of Common Prayer*

Please join us as we walk together in worship and mission at the 10:30 a.m. service. Abbreviated, casual dress, child-friendly service will be followed by working together to pack the food bags for our food pantry recipients.

We will begin UPSTAIRS for the worship service and then process downstairs after the benediction to pack the bags!

This will be followed by coffee hour.

CCAP Sunday

The last Sunday of each month we collect an offering that goes to help the needy of our area through CCAP (Congregational Action Project). Thank you for your generosity, which makes a difference in many lives.

Community Group

The TOPS group meets at our church every Thursday morning to support each other in weight loss and health. TOPS stands for "Taking Off Pounds Sensibly".

Men's Mission Dinner is on the last Sunday of the month. *This ministry is a rewarding experience.*

We meet at the Mission at 4:30 pm, we set up, then serve at 5pm. The residents of the mission will take care of all the clean up. Once everyone has been served, volunteers may leave or stay and visit. St. Paul's Outreach welcomes you to join this month's team.



Each Sunday we will announce a canned food item for the following Sunday. Simply bring 2 or so cans of canned soups of your choice and drop them in one of the blue food bags in the Narthex. ***It is very important that we check for expiration dates.*** This drive will support St. Paul's Table Food Pantry, Men's Mission and others!!! With much

September 6th	Cereal Bars
September 13th	Macaroni and Cheese
September 20th	Ramen Noodles
September 27th	Peanut Butter (any size)



St. Paul's Table Food Pantry

St. Paul's Table Food Pantry went well for the month of August, 2016. We want to thank everyone that helped at the pantry. There were 9 people today that worked the pantry. Thanks to everyone.

This month we had a total of **182** individuals, which included 55 children, 86 adults, 41 elderly and **65** households served. We really need hamburger (one pound packages), hot dogs, cereal and snacks for kids. Fresh fruit and vegetables we always need.

We are having a problem with our large freezer (it's about four years old). Hopefully, we will have it serviced this week.

We are asking all our patrons to return the blue bags that we use. If you are out shopping at Walmart, we would appreciate you picking up a couple of bags for the food pantry. They cost \$.50 each.

Time Donated: **41**

Our next food pantry is **September 4, 2016**.

Thank you so much for all you do.

Linda Binder
St. Paul's Table

For more information, please contact Linda Binder, 540-665-0675 or lbinder798@comcast.net.

The Winchester Rescue Mission Dinner

The August Winchester Rescue Mission Dinner was a huge success once again thanks to the team members that volunteered their time, effort and their kitchens!

The team served 55 homeless brothers & sisters today; including four children and nine women.

Saint Paul's on -the -Hill gives her gratitude to the chefs this month who were the hands and feet of our Lord Jesus: Barry Haddan, Gail Lankford, Diane O'Hara, and Paul Salazar.

In the name of Jesus,

Jim
Love + Peace = Harmony

Bishop Gulick's Visitation

All are welcome to join the family on this special occasion on Sunday, September 11th at 10:30 am.

The reception for the Bishop and those being confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church will immediately follow the 10:30 am service.

There will only be one service this day.

If you would to join in a bring appetizer like food (finger foods), please sign up either on the website by clicking the button below or by using the form in the narthex.

Vestry service: If you discern a call to serve on the Vestry for 2017, please contact Susan to discuss the ministry, duties and responsibilities.

Belle Grove field trip: To view the "Enslaved" exhibit and the living history program. Sat., September 10 @ 12:30 p.m., meet in our parking lot or at Belle Grove. No cost.

Sundays @ Starbucks resumes on September 25th (between the services).

Blessing of the Animals: Saturday, October 1st 10:30 a.m.

Celebrating our Labyrinth: Sunday, October 9th. Time to be determined.

We are a mission outpost for Jesus! All we have comes from God, the giver and provider of all things. Remember that we rely on one other to make our mission a reality. Please continue to give as generously as you are able.

SPOTH Community Directory: We will begin to seek information to update soon. Stay tuned!

SPOTH Kids team: Seeking additional input! Please email Mike Hummer (mahummer2000@yahoo.com) if you're interested in helping in some way.

Electronic Giving (bank card swipe) is now available in the narthex before or after the service. In response to requests, we are offering this option.



BBC (Brown-bag Book Club)

meets on the 3rd Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St Paul's. Pack your lunch and join us for lunch and the discussion of the monthly book!

Sept. 21: Call the Midwife by Jennifer Worth hosted by Joan Inger.

Oct. 19: Two Sisters by Mary Hogan hosted by Joanne Killough

Nursery

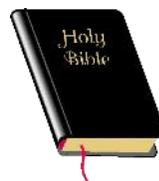
We rejoice to have young children in the service.

Activity Bags for the Children

If you would like one, please help yourself or ask an usher.



There is no Vestry meeting in September.



Wednesday Bible Study

The Bible Study resumes September 7.



Vestry

*Roger Inger – Sr. Warden & Worship
Committee Liaison*

Cindy Schendel – Jr. Warden

*Flonnie Williams – Register & Newcomer/
Welcome Liaison*

Mike Hummer – Children and Youth Liaison

Jane Mauk - Pastoral Care Liaison

Paul Salazar – Outreach & Parish Life Liaison

Bill Scott– Lifelong Formation Liaison

Shields Warren – Liaison at Large

*Hannah Wilkes – Go! The Church in the
World Liaison*

Treasurer

Jim Quinlan

Mike Krueger, Assistant Treasurer

September Calendar

Every Sunday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time

Special Sunday Activities

September 4, 1:00 to 3:00 pm, **Food Pantry**

September 11 : Bishop Gulick’s Visitation and Reception

September 25, 4:00 pm, **Men’s Rescue Mission Ministry**

Every Tuesday

9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Church Office Open

6:00 p.m. NA Meeting

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Third Wednesday Of the Month 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. , **BBC (Brown-bag Book Club)**

Every Thursday

8:30 a.m. **TOPS** (take off pounds sensibly)

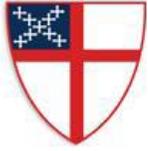
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Come walk with us!

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

09/04 Janice Hall
09/07 Mark Sunderlin
09/09 Gregory Wiens
09/12 Logan Smith
09/16 Bill Scott
09/17 Linda Baker
09/19 Barbara Hummer
09/19 Sue Sunderlin
09/20 Andrew Myers
09/21 Sybil Glascock
09/23 Ann Philapy
09/24 Lee McLeod
09/26 Vicky Pitta
09/26 Frank Scheder

The Rev. Susan S. MacDonald

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09/12 Percy & Grace Hoogveen
09/05 Michael & Mary Ellen Krueger
09/09 Chuong & Co (Cra) Ngo
09/01 Matt Smith & Daria Rainieri

We wish everyone happy birthday and anniversary for September. If your birthday or anniversary has not been included, please help the office to keep our records current by giving us call or sending an email. Thank you!