

THE PARISH OF ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN

A Progressive, Diverse Parish of the Episcopal Church Offering A Radical Welcome to All! First Sunday of Advent, December 2, 2018

WELCOME!

It is a joy to have you with us this morning. Please consider returning often! St. Paul's is a wonderfully diverse community of faith committed to extending God's radical hospitality to all who enter this sacred space.

We believe in a faith that is based on ancient patterns – worship & music; loving service to the poor, hurt, and lonely; justice and peace work; ... and a faith that is altogether contemporary – that worship is relevant and informs this day and time.

We believe in the goodness of God's Creation and in God's abundant love ... so that all who enter this space do so with the freedom to be just as God created you to be ... no Outcasts; no Exceptions.

We believe that Christ welcomes all to his table to be nourished in the Holy Eucharist ... again no Outcasts; no Exceptions.

We believe that God calls us into community where all may draw closer to a knowledge & relationship with God and each other.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

The style of worship here is Anglo-Catholic which draws upon ancient liturgical practices of the Christian Church. You'll see graceful ritual and colorful vestments, hear chant and exquisite music, and even smell a little incense. We try not to make worship stuffy and, so, you might see acolytes in sandals or sneakers! We hope that you come away refreshed and renewed!

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist –without regard to age, politics, race, orientation, or identity. Consecrated grape juice is available in the glass chalices.

KNEELING

The majority of people at St. Paul's observe the ancient position of standing for prayer. Kneeling cushions are available in the back of the church.

CHILDREN

The Chapel of the Angels, located on the right side of the church, provides a quiet space for <u>infants and toddlers with their parents</u>. "Busy bags" are available in the back of the church.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY

Children ages 4-8 gather in the rear, center aisle to listen to the Gospel with an adult leader who guides them to the Guild Room for a special worship activity. All return to the church at the time of the Peace. Children are welcome to bring their grown-up's if they desire.

RESTROOMS

Through double doors on left aisle, downstairs, and in the Warner Center.

PHONES

Please turn them off.

THIS WEEK SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

9:00AM Solemn Eucharist

with Children's Worship

10:10 AM Coffee Hour, PH

10:10 AM Adult Forum, SHR*

11:00AM Solemn Eucharist

with Children's Worship

12:10 PM Coffee Hour, PH

NOON- 4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

5:00 PM Advent Lessons and Carols*

9:00 PM Compline with Communion

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

10:00 AM Staff Meeting, GR*

10AM-4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

12:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry, GR* 10AM- 4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

Wednesday, December 5

10:30 AM Brightview, OFFSITE

11:30 AM Holy Eucharist

7:00 PM Race & Social Justice, GR*

10AM-4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

10AM-4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

6:00 PM Celtic Eucharist*

Friday, December 7

10AM-4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

10AM-4:00 PM Holiday Market, CHH*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9

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MUSIC NOTES

Happy new liturgical year! The return of Advent marks the start of a new liturgical calendar, and begins anew our anticipation of the birth of Jesus. Jesus himself warns us, in today's Gospel, that we must "be on guard" for the coming of the Son of Man, descending in a cloud (as in our opening hymn today). André Thomas's "Keep Your Lamps" similarly warns us to stay on watch, for "the time is coming nigh." Thomas, also a prominent conductor and composer, is well-known for his arrangements of traditional spirituals like this one. The spiritual's cutting syncopation and striking dissonances give it a somewhat ominous flair, reflecting some of the more apocalyptic elements of the season: that Jesus's coming will bring joy and upheaval in equal measure.

Person2Person -Pantry

This week's pantry collection is Pasta and Sauce

Person to Person is seeking donations of REUSABLE shopping bags for use by their clients. Bags should be clean, in good condition, reusable and suitable for groceries.

Thank you for your generous support!

HOSTING COFFEE HOUR

All of us share in the hospitality provided to ourselves and our guests. Each household is asked to offer refreshments twice each quarter. You will receive a request and reminder from the office. Thank you to all who help make coffee hour such a plentiful experience.

COFFEE HOSTS FOR DECEMBER 9:

Patty DosAnjos, Justin & Maria Elkins, Johannes Enders, Alie Foster, Gisella Foster, Wally Frey, Jill & Paul Frickenhaus, Scotty Galganowicz & Louise Truax, Stephen Gustafson & Brian McGunagle, Jim Hamilton, Tom Hickey & Joe Shafranek, Nancy Hill, Jim & Geri Hollyday, Shannon & Nathaniel Hoover, Maude Hunter, Marybeth & Todd Jordan, Joseph & Louise Kalemkerian

ALTAR FLOWERS AND PRESENCE LAMP

Altar flowers may be given in memory of or to honor a particular person or in thanksgiving for God's gifts. Suggested donation is \$80 for both vases. The Presence Lamp is the candle that burns continuously before the reserved sacrament in the Lady Chapel. Suggested donation is \$10 per week. Sign up in the Parish Hall or contact the parish office to reserve your week for either.

During Advent, the church is adorned with seasonal greens instead of flowers. Donations for Christmas flowers are welcome throughout Advent and remembrances will be posted for the Christmas Season







IN OUR PRAYERS

Please consider keeping these lists and names in your prayers this week.

ECCT: St. Paul's, Woodbury; St. John the Evangelist, Yalesville; Grace Church, Yantic; The health and well-being of persons employed by The Episcopal Church; the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies of The Episcopal Church.

FOR HEALING:

Alan	Anna Mae	Amber
Anthony	Barbara	Betsy
Bill	Bob	Bobby
Brenda	Caitlyn	Cornelia
Deneb	Denise	Diana
Dottie	Dusty	Eileen
Erik	Estela	Eva
Gabriella	Gay	George
Holley	James	Jeanetta
Jennifer	Jim	John
Jonathan	Juanita	Laura
Linda	Lucille	Lynn
Marissa	Mary	Mary Beth
Michael	Michio	Mike
Nora	Norine	Paul
Peter	Robbo	Sara
Sharon	Sidney	Simon
Susan	Mary Catherine	

FOR BIRTHDAYS:

Louise Kalemkerian (12/2) Charlene Taylor (12/2) Isabella Kikkenborg (12/4) Ryan Murphy (12/4) Peter Hahn (12/6) Edward Basile (12/7) Mary Beth Yancey (12/7) Eileen Cook (12/8)

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member is seriously ill or in the hospital, our clergy and Pastoral Care Team are available to support you. Please contact Father Peter Thompson by phone at (571)-643-1377 or email at thompson@stpaulsnorwalk.org

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS

ADULT FORUM THIS MORNING 10:10 AM IN THE ST. HILDA ROOM

Beginning today the Adult Forum in Advent will focus on personal financial health through a study
Methodist pastor Adam Hamilton's book *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity.*Copies are available in the Parish Office and at Coffee Hour, though no reading in advance of the
sessions is required.

ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS

- Join us today at 5:00 pm for a service of Advent Lessons and Carols. Experience the sound and the space of St. Paul's in a new way as the choir leads a service of hopeful, expectant, glorious hymns and anthems while processing throughout the Church.
- Featuring the works of Palestrina, Lassus, Hassler, Parry, Britten, Vaughan, Williams, and Charles Wood. A reception follows in the Parish Hall.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE DISCUSSIONS THIS WEDNESDAY

- This Wednesday, December 5, the group will meet at 7:30 pm to begin planning a parish-wide event to scheduled for the new year.
- All are welcome.

CELTIC EUCHARIST WITH ICON DEDICATION, THURSDAY AT 6:00 PM

- During this week's Celtic Eucharist, there will be a dedication of the St. Nicholas icon commissioned in honor of the 45th anniversary of Father Nicholas' ordination.
- Make plans to attend this service and see this beautiful piece of artwork up close before it is placed in its permanent home in the Lady Chapel.

ST. PAUL'S HOLIDAY MARKET

- The Holiday Market is now open for all of your holiday shopping needs!
- Come pick out amazing gifts for this holiday season. The Market is open 10:00 am until 4:00 pm Monday thru Saturday, and noon until 4:00 pm on Sunday.

Doing Christmas Differently

- This year Do Christmas Differently by giving to those in need. Through collaboration with Norwalk International Academy, volunteers from St. Paul's continue to tutor refugees from the drug and gang wars in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador who attended Norwalk High School.
- During this season, gift cards in \$20 increments will be collected and presented to the students during Christmas.
- Beginning today, the giving tree will be in the undercroft during coffee hour. Please choose one or more ornaments from the Parish Hall and return your gift cards by December 16. All gifts will be presented to the Children and their families during a special gathering at the high school.



Seabury Academy of Music and the Arts - a 501(c)(3) corporation resident at St. Paul's dedicated to promoting music and the arts within St. Paul's and the wider Norwalk community.

- ARTWorks Gallery ~ The next exhibit, Small Joys, is open now in the Chittim-Howell House with the
 Holiday Market. This is an invitational show comprised of affordable works just in time for the holidays.
 Artwork is "cash and carry" so you don't have to wait to take it home!
- **Stew Leonard Gift Cards are Back!** An easy way to support Seabury Academy is through the purchase of Stew's gift cards. Use them as gifts, or for your own shopping, and Seabury Academy gets **10**% of the sales.

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WEEKDAY WORSHIP

Wednesday 11:30AM – Holy Eucharist (Year-round) **Thursday** 6:00PM – Celtic Eucharist (Sept- July)

CLERGY STAFF

The Reverend Nicholas G. Lang

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The Reverend Peter D. Thompson

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ASSOCIATE CLERGY

The Reverend Louise Kalemkerian The Reverend Holley B. Slauson

SEMINARIANS

Greg Baker Sam Vaught

Parish Officers

Wardens: Bob Giolitto, Louise Truax

Treasurer: Paul Hunter Clerk: James McNutt

Vestry Members:

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9 & 11 AM SOLEMN EUCHARIST

CELEBRANT: (9AM) Father Peter Thompson

(11AM) Father Nicholas Lang

PREACHER: (9 & 11AM) Mother Louise Kalemkerian

DEACON: (9AM) Mother Louise Kalemkerian

(11AM) Father Peter Thompson

SUBDEACON: (9AM) Greg Baker

(11AM) Anne Watkins

MINISTER OF CEREMONY

(9AM) Kate Adamson (11AM) Gisela Foster

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP ACTIVITY:

(9 AM) Samuel Vaught (11AM) Greg Baker

THURIFER: (9AM) Jeanette Boccuzzi (11AM) James McNutt

CRUCIFER: (9AM) Terri Polley (11AM) Don Bello SERVERS: (9AM) Ron Voges, Nicole DiBella

(11AM) Frank Kimball, Joel Anyan

CHALICER: (9AM) Jeanette Boccuzzi (11AM) James McNutt SACRISTANS: (9AM) Diane Drozd (11AM) Shannon Hoover LECTOR: (9AM) Gail Bindley-Taylor (11AM) Alan Booth

INTERCESSORS:

(9 AM) Gil Watkins, Bob Davie, Donna Lewis

(11 AM) Jo-Anne Schultz, Nathaniel Hoover, Susan Cole

MINISTER OF HEALING:

(9AM) (E) **Donna Lewis,** Sherrie Beke, Carol Custus

(P) Diane Drozd, Lynn Ryan, Susan Leggitt

(11AM) (E) Samuel Vaught, Jennifer Hudson, Jo-Anne Schultz

(P1) Bob Giolitto, Joe Shafranek, Mary Roman

(P2) Wally Frey, Tom Hickey, Sandy Bria

USHERS: (9AM) Bill Murphy, Gail Bindley-Taylor

(11AM) Linda Turner, Felix Gomez

MINISTER OF WELCOME:

(9AM) Susan Leggitt, Richard Linnartz (11AM) Marsha Dunn, Bob Giolitto

ALTAR BREAD: Marybeth Jordan

PERSON TO PERSON FOOD DELIVERY: Mary Verel COUNTERS: Kate Adamson, Liz Wernqvist

COFFEE HOUR: Lynden & Marc Magnoli, Wilma Meyers, Donna Seymour, Caitlen & Christopher Sheeran, Don Sileo, Lynn Ryan, Lance & Tina Gill, Kevin Glen & Donna Smith, Eric & Leah Robert, Donna & Kurt Brown, Lauren & Thore Koch, Barbara Mortimer, Brad McKinney, Kevin Connors & Jim Schilling, Anthony Crisci, Carol & James Custus, Allan & Donna Booth, Andre Darlowski, Nicole DiBella, Bob & Tracey Duff

COMPLINE: Don Sileo, Ellen Turner

Thank you to all who served and worshiped with us today.