

<b>Sunday, May 20</b>	
Scripture Readings: Acts 2:1-11, Psalm 93, Romans 8:12-17, & John 20:19-23	
All Day	Pentecost
8:00 am	Traditional Service-Church Bldg.
10:15 am	Contemporary Worship-Doar Hall
<b>Monday, May 21</b>	
8:00 am	Centering Prayer
10:00 am	AA
7:00 pm	Venture Crew
7:00 pm	AA
<b>Tuesday, May 22</b>	
6:30 pm	Cub Scout Pack 730
7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study
<b>Wednesday, May 23</b>	
10:00 am	AA
5:30 pm	Cursillo Reunion Group
7:00 pm	AA
7:00 pm	High School Youth
7:00 pm	Choir Rehersal

<b>Thursday, May 24</b>	
10:00 am	AA
11:00 am	Healing Prayer Service
11:30 am	Al-Anon
5:00 pm	Medical Outreach Clinic
7:00 pm	Boyscout Troop 2
<b>Friday, May 25</b>	
7:00 pm	AA
<b>Saturday, May 26</b>	
7:00 pm	AA
<b>Sunday, May 27</b>	
Scripture Readings: Exodus 3:1-6, Romans 8:12-17, Psalm 93, & John 3:1-16	
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### Imagine: A Season of Vision

Dear Parish Family,

Happy Pentecost! I am inviting you all into a season of vision-casting called "Imagine," where we will begin to imagine, dream, and pray about what God is going to do at St. Paul's. In this season, we will be asking questions such as:

What is our niche among the kingdom building churches in Summerville? What is the unique design God has given us for ministry and mission? What might our church look like in 5, 7 or 10 years if we are faithful to our God-shaped mission? We can only imagine! As St. Paul once commented, "No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man imagined, what God has prepared for those who love him." I Corinthians 2:9

Organizational vision is a natural outflow of a common life lived in the Spirit. What better day than Pentecost to begin to reflect upon this season of prayerful vision casting.

Joel foretold that the following would occur when the Holy Spirit comes with power:

*"I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions."* Joel 2:28

Again, the Lord encourages the prophet Habakkuk to climb up into a watchtower to pray and to wait on the vision. When the Lord's command came it was this:

*"Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he who runs may reads it."* Habakkuk 2:2

Now is the time to "imagine" God's preferred future for our parish. Now is the time to "dream dreams" and "see visions," and to write them plainly for all to see that we may "run" together toward God's appointed plan.

I have begun the first stage of "Imagine" with the vestry, the staff, and many lay leaders. We are using a process of imagining called **S.W.O.T.** where we consider the **S**trengths, **W**eaknesses, **O**pportunities, and **T**hreats that exist for St. Paul's. This technique will help us to find out who we are and who we are to become.

This process is only valuable when everyone shares their involvement and input. If you have a *Life Group* or Bible study that you would like to invite me to join, I'd be thrilled to come and pray and walk with you through this process. For those who do not have a group, we will have some open cottage groups coming soon. Please sign up for one of these and join us! Later, we will compile all the data to help us to see clearly God's future for our parish family.

Please pray now and daily for this season of "Imagine." Please take time out to be a part of this most important season in the life of our parish.

God's Grace and Peace,

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**Biblically minded—Christ centered—Holy Spirit driven**

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To reserve a cover or if you have a submission for the Sunday News please contact Shelley Fipps the Tuesday before you want the addition.

**Guests**



WELCOME, We're glad you're here!

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- 8:00 am CB    10:15 am CB    10:15 am DH
- 1st Time Guest    New to Area
- Looking for a church home
- Regular Attending Non-Member

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive emails from St. Paul's

AGE \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_13-19 \_\_20's \_\_30's \_\_40's \_\_50's \_\_60's \_\_70's+

CHILDREN IN ATTENDANCE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

I would like more information about:

- \_\_\_ A new life in Christ
- \_\_\_ Membership at St. Paul's
- \_\_\_ LifeGroups
- \_\_\_ ALPHA
- \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS**

If you would like your request concerning health, death, or other concerns to be added to our public prayer, please indicate by marking the box. All others will be put on the confidential prayer list for 3 weeks.

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Place form in the offering plate or take to our Welcome Table to receive more information and a gift.

# MEMBERS

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

8:00 am CB  10:15 am CB  10:15 am DH

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_

## CHILDREN IN ATTENDANCE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

## CHANGES ONLY

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# MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS 843.873.1991

For more information, visit our website at [www.stpaulssummerville.org](http://www.stpaulssummerville.org)

## GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THIS MORNING

**Welcome** to St. Paul's! We hope to create an atmosphere in which everyone feels welcomed with open arms. Here is the information that you need to know for a successful morning of worship and Sunday School:

- **Worship as a Family (all ages):** At St. Paul's we encourage families to worship together on Sunday mornings, therefore children in third grade and older will remain with their parents throughout the service. If you or your children are not comfortable with this, please know that we understand and recognize that it might take time to develop the routine. We're here to help, so don't hesitate to ask a priest about successful family worship.

- **Kids Church (K3 –2nd grade)** starts the same time as "big church" so bring your child to the Worship Center prior to the service start time. There you will find computers to sign in your children. There will be one computer for families attending services in Doar Hall and another for families attending services in the Church building. Please use the appropriate computers. They will print color coordinating name labels so that our little ones are taken to the correct service.

- Once they enter the Worship Center they will find lots of friendly faces welcoming them along with activity centers that will start their lesson time. They will continue with these until the sermons have ended:

- ✚ If you are attending the Church building service, please pick your child up at the end of the sermon.

- ✚ If you are attending the Doar Hall service, please look for your child entering the sanctuary and wave to them so they can find you.

**Communion**—Anyone baptized in the Christian faith is welcome to receive communion at St. Paul's. **Please note:** The Communion elements consist of real wine and bread or wafers containing wheat. Please ask the bread server for gluten free wafers. Receiving one or the other of the elements is considered participating as fully in the Eucharist as anyone who receives both.

All guests are invited to visit our **Welcome Table** after the service today to receive a gift and information about St. Paul's.

**Giving**—Cash and checks may be placed in the offering plates. We have electronic giving centers in Doar Hall for debit and credit cards. St. Paul's does not want anyone to incur debt in order to give to the Lord. We offer the electronic giving centers as a convenience.

**Giving Envelopes**—are available for your convenience. You may pick up a pack in the church office, in the back of Doar Hall, or the Church Building.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### Today

- ✚ Confirmation Sunday!

- ✚ Middle School Year End Celebration in the C/Y Building from 5-7pm.

### This Week

- ✚ High School Year End Celebration, Wednesday, May 23 in the C/Y building from 7-9pm.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Save the Date:** Kids Kamp is Monday, July 30-Friday, August 3 from 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Ages are three year old and potty-trained by July 1 through rising fifth grade. Registration is live on our website for both campers and volunteers.! If you have any questions about Kids Kamp contact Shannon Reed ([shannonr@stpaulssummerville.org](mailto:shannonr@stpaulssummerville.org)).

**Worship Team:** We are currently looking for a drummer or percussionist to join our team. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact Bonnie James ([bonniej@stpaulssummerville.org](mailto:bonniej@stpaulssummerville.org))!

**In Memory:** The altar flowers are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. P Frank Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. Eugene McCarthy, Mrs. Albert Joseph Yereb, Mr. And Mrs. James Black, Mr. And Mrs. Hugh Cain.

**Congratulations:** Make sure to welcome our new confirmands and reaffirmations today. We will celebrate them in the Atrium after the 10:15 service with a cake and fellowship.

**Testimony Booklets:** Please make sure to pick up a testimony booklet at the back of both buildings. These booklets contain the testimonies of all the youth confirmed today.

**Loose Offering:** The loose offering taken up today will be for the Bishop's discretionary fund.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Women's Bible Study: Fridays, June 1 - August 10** - The Friday Morning women's bible study will begin meeting on June 1 at 9:15 in the Connect Room in Skardon Hall for their summer study. They will be studying the book *Becoming a Vessel God Can Use* by Donna Partow. The book is about understanding what God wants to accomplish through your life. It is far more important than deciding what you think you can accomplish for him. The key to effective ministry is understanding how and why God works through imperfect vessels like us. Come join us for this journey that offers hope, laughter, and transformation to women who long to discover new confidence and significance. For more information and to sign up contact [cathym@stpaulssummerville.org](mailto:cathym@stpaulssummerville.org).

**St. Paul's Night at the RiverDogs: Sunday, June 3** - Join St. Paul's parish members, Bishop Mark and Allison Lawrence along with others from across the Diocese, June 3, when the Charleston Riverdogs face Delmarva. The game starts at 5:05 p.m. We've reserved a block of tickets. To help show we're a group we're asking people to wear Red! Tickets are \$7 per person (plus \$1.50 handling fee). Adults can purchase an optional meal deal (hot dog, chips and drink) for an additional \$7. Children 12 and under will get the meal deal voucher for free. Purchase tickets here: <https://goo.gl/KkMXWG>. They will be available for pickup at will-call the day of the game.

**First Monday: Monday, June 4** - We are excited to bring First Monday back. Please note a few changes. We will be meeting in the C/Y Worship space at 6:30. All are invited to come for a time of soaking prayer, testimonies and praise. This is a time for rest, release and renewal. We would love to see you June 4 and the many more first Mondays of the month!