The coming week...

Sunday, December 15		
8:00 am	Traditional Worship—(	
9:00 am	Connect Class—SK 7	

9:00 am Sunday Scripture Studies—AH

10:15 am Traditional Worship—CB 10:15 am Contemporary Worship—DH

**12:00 pm** AA—AH

**4:00 pm** LifeGroup—SK Library

6:00 pm NA—AB

### Monday, December 16

8:00 am Centering Prayer—CB 9:00 am Counting Teams—SK 7

**10:00 am** AA —SK 11

10:30 am Women's Bible Study—Library

10:30 am Pastoral Care—SK 5 4:00 pm LifeGroup—SK Library **6:30 pm** LifeGroup—SK 5 6:30 pm Venture Crew—CY 7:00 pm Vestry Meeting—SK 7 **7:00 pm** AA—AH

### Tuesday, December 17

7:00 am Men's Bible Study—SK 7 8:45 am Pilates Fusion Class—SK Hall 9:15 am Women's Bible Study—Library

**10:00 am** AA—SK 11 6:30 pm Cub Scouts—CY

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study—SK Library

### **Building/Room Abbreviations**

**AT Atrium of Doar Hall** 

CY

Library Skardon Conf. Room

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### Wednesday, December 18

10:00 am AA—SK 11. 12:00 pm Men's Bible Study & Lunch—AT 3:45 pm Children's Choir—CY Worship Cursillo Reunion Group—SK 5 7:00 pm Choir Practice—CB

7:00 pm AA—AH

### Thursday, December 19

9:45 am Pilates Fusion Class—SK Hall 10:00 am AA-SK 11 11:00 am Healing Service—CB

11:30 am Al-Anon—SK 11 6:30 pm DivorceCare—SK 5

### Friday, December 20

10:00 am AA-SK 11

5:30 pm AA Women's Mtg—SK 11 7:00 pm Lessons & Carols—CB

### Saturday, December 21

7:00 am Men's Breakfast—AT 9:00 am Food Distribution—SK Hall

3:00 pm Lessons & Carols—CB **7:00 pm** AA—AH

#### Sunday, December 22

NA—AB

6:00 pm

8:00 am Traditional Worship—CB Sunday School Sunday Scripture Studies—AH 9:00 am Traditional Worship—CB Contemporary Worship—DH 10:15 am

**Ambler Hall** 

CB **Church Building** 

**Children & Youth Building** 



### Our Clergy

The Rt. Rev. Mark J. Lawrence, Bishop of South Carolina, XIV

The Rev. Julian P. "Tripp" Jeffords III, Rector The Rev. B. Tyler Prescott, Associate Rector The Rev. John F. Scott, Pastoral Assistant The Rev. Korey L. Kincaid, Youth Minister

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# FEATURED EVENTS







# Special Guest Sunday, January 12, 2020







Panel 6

Mrs. Jeannie Scott Smith jeanniescottsmith.com

Jeanie founded Coastline Women's Center in 2013 and is a author and speaker who influences her audience based on her own life experiences and walk with God. She is committed to ministering to women across the world; her love and passion for God have provided her energy and efficiency to be boundless.



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# December 15, 2019

## The third Sunday of Advent

Psalm 126; I Thessalonians 5:12-28 and John 3:22-30

Next Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Advent Psalm 132:(1-7) 8-19; Romans 16:25-27 and Luke 1:26-38

Help carry one another's burdens, and in this way you will obey the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2

### What Is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is the one-to-one lay caring ministry that takes place in congregations that use the Stephen Series system of training. Stephen Ministry congregations equip and empower lay caregivers—called Stephen Ministers—to provide high-quality, confidential, Christcentered care to people who are hurting. St. Paul's has been a Stephen Ministry congregation for many years, and for the last two years, the ministry has been growing in a new way. Stephen Ministers are actively



meeting with parishioners and community members who face challenging situations.

Each Stephen Minister completes a 13-week training program and is commissioned by the church to show Christ's love and care to a person experiencing a difficult time in life such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation, or separation due to military deployment.

Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life. Their commonality? A passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need. Who benefits from Stephen Ministry?

- People in the parish who are enduring a challenging season of life receive compassionate and confidential care from a trained Stephen Minister who can listen, pray and minister consistently through the difficult time.
- Stephen Ministers receive the blessing of using their Spiritual Gifts to serve others in Jesus' Name. There is no greater reward on earth than acting as the hands and feet of Christ.

Is God calling you to be involved in Stephen Ministry at St. Paul's?

A new Stephen Minister Training Course will begin early in 2020. To ask questions or gain more information about Stephen Ministry and the upcoming Stephen Minister training, contact Chris Armstrong c117armstrong@gmail.com, Becky Westfall rebecca.s.westfall@gmail.com, Jerry Merritt <u>imerritt@email.com</u> or any member of St. Paul's clergy. Likewise, if you, or someone you know, needs the care of a Stephen Minister, reach out to these same contacts.

*The entire Law is fulfilled in a single decree: "Love your neighbor as yourself.*" Galatians 5:14

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We hope to create an atmosphere in which everyone feels welcomed with open arms. All guests are invited to visit our **Welcome Table** after the service today to receive a gift and information about St. Paul's.

### **WORSHIP AT ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN**

**ST. PAUL'S VISION STATEMENT**—*Rooted* in the past yet relevant today: St Paul's *sows* the Good News of Jesus for all people, *cultivates* servant leaders, and *grows* neighborly communities.

Our worship is similar to that of Anglicans across the world and through the ages. We are a warm and loving congregation. We enjoy traditional hymns as well as modern worship songs produced by popular Christian artists. Worship that is biblical and draws hearts to the praise, honor, and glory of our Lord is the goal at all of our services.

Our traditional worship with hymns is held in the historic Church Building. The contemporary worship, with a user-friendly screen and modern music, is in Doar Hall. We invite you to join us. All baptized Christians are welcome to join us for Holy Communion at the Lord's table.

**COMMUNION**—Anyone baptized in the Christian faith is welcome to receive communion.

**DOAR HALL COMMUNION**—Communion wafers will be dispensed at the side aisle communion stations. Leavened bread is available at the altar. Feel free to choose either element/station.

**TO PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN** - Relax! God put the wiggles and sweet little noises in children - don't feel like you have to suppress them in God's house.

- Consider sitting toward the front where children can more easily engage.
- Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the priests, musicians, acolytes, and leaders. While in Children's Church, your children learn: about bowing when the cross passes and why, as Anglicans, that we do this, who the acolytes are and how the colors of the stoles match the liturgical calendar, prayers, etc. Now is a great time to show them what we are learning in Children's Church.
- Sing the songs and pray. Children learn behavior by mimicking you.
- If you have to leave the worship with your child—please feel free to do so, but please do come back.

### **NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Childcare is available for ages birth through 3 years of age. You will find a greeter there to assist you with check-in. We ask that you please check your child in at one of our check-in kiosks located in Doar Hall and in the CY building. At that point you will receive a matching security tag that will need to be shown when you pick up your child.

Children's Church is provided for children ages 3-7. Please follow the check-in instructions above. The children will be dismissed for chapel during the 10:15 service. While there, your child will enjoy a time of chapel, a bible lesson that follows the lectionary, learning of our Anglican traditions, and crafts and games.

CHILD CHECK-IN—(BIRTH TO SEVEN YEARS) for both the Church Building and Doar Hall: Check-in at the C/Y building or Doar Hall. A volunteer will walk them over to the C/Y Building and a volunteer will bring them back to pick up.

**CHILD PICK-UP**—Please come to the back door of St. Paul's Central and present your matching security tag to pick up your child.

**CORRECTION—CATHY JACOBS MISSION TRIP—**Sunday News cover story of December 1. The correct link to donate to her mission is <a href="https://give.sams-usa.org/missionary/cathy-jacobs">https://give.sams-usa.org/missionary/cathy-jacobs</a>

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS—St. Paul's is taking orders for Christmas

Poinsettias. You may purchase a beautiful red poinsettia in memory of, or
thanksgiving for a loved one for \$18. Poinsettias will be displayed in the Church
and in Doar Hall and listed in our Christmas Eve/Day worship service insert.

Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate, turned in to the church
office, or you may order online <a href="http://bit.ly/2rzpLOY">http://bit.ly/2rzpLOY</a>

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION - NOMINATIONS SOUGHT** — Each year at this time, the Clergy and other leaders of the Diocese are invited to provide suggestions to the Nominating Committee for those positions to be filled at the upcoming Diocesan Convention. God may be calling to you to serve or to nominate a parishioner from St. Paul's Summerville to serve the Diocese. Contact Fr. Tripp for more details.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY IS SANCTITY OF LIFE MONTH—There will be several events in January to commemorate the value of Life. A special guest, *Jeannie Scott Smith* (see the next event), and a viewing of the movie *Unplanned*. Prayers of the People will include prayers for the unborn and the hope that adoption brings. The *March for Life*—1/24/20 in Wash D.C. Contact Paula Tisdale <a href="mailto:paula.tisdale@ymail.com">paula.tisdale@ymail.com</a> on how you can be involved and participate in events this month.

Special Guest Jeannie Scott Smith—Sunday, January 12 — Jeannie Smith will be our guest preacher this Sunday. She brings a heartwarming story of the call placed on her life to serve others and promote life. There will be a meet and greet with her and an opportunity for a Q & A in the Atrium following the 10:15 services. Learn more about her at jeanniescottsmith.com

MISSIONARY TEACHER ROSE TISDALE—SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29— Rose returns from Cameroon, Africa will give us an update of her important mission work.

A DICKENS' CHRISTMAS CAROL—3 PM DECEMBER 22 IN DOAR HALL— Nationally acclaimed storyteller Tim Lowry performs this Christmas favorite. Sponsored by the St. Paul's Anglican's for Life "Zoe" Chapter to benefit the Abba Fund (<u>abbafund.org</u>) that provides financial assistance to families in the adoption process. Tickets are \$25 and are available online bit.ly/2Kh5tQW or after the 10:15 services

CHRISTIAN MEN'S CONFERENCE 21-23, FEBRUARY 2020—The Rev. Rob Sturdy, Chaplain at St. Alban's, the Citadel, will speak on "The Father's Blessing" at this popular men's gathering at St. Christopher Camp and Conference Center, February 21-23, 2020. For additional information visit. www.christianmensconference.com

## GET INVOLVED

LifeGroups—We are a church of small groups where we devote ourselves to God's teachings, fellowship, sharing meals and praying together so that we may grow as disciples and authentically impact the world in Jesus' name. Contact Cathy McGrew at: <a href="mailto:cathym@stpaulssummerville.org">cathym@stpaulssummerville.org</a> for meetings at the church or other locations.

Giving—Cash and checks may be placed in the offering plates. Secure giving is available online. We have electronic kiosks for credit or debit cards. St. Paul's does not want anyone to incur debt in order to give to the Lord. We offer the kiosks as a convenience.



**GIVING ENVELOPES**—Available in the office or in the back of Doar Hall or the Church Building.

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Connect With Us-} \ \textbf{Complete a "Connect} \\ \textbf{Card" in the seat/pew rack or } \\ \hline \textbf{Scan QR Code} \end{array}$ 



### Ministries

There are many "organic" ministries (grown right here at St. Paul's) that provide a way to give of your time and talents to serve your fellow man and your community by working together as the body of the church.

MINISTRY	CONTACT
Acolytes	Kevin Szostak
Alpha	Church Office
Altar Guild	Betty Black
Anglicans For Life	Paula Tisdale
Children of Christ	Ellen Legare / Alison Terry
Children's Ministry	Shannon Reed
Cub Scouts	Edwin Bailey
Cursillo	Todd Barnum
Daughters of the King	Dawn Schaeperkoetter
DivorceCare	Todd Barnum
Flower Guild	Meredith Buddin / Beth Szostak
Grandparenting Ministry	Cathy Jacobs
GriefShare	Heather Kilpatrick / Jane Ihrke
Impact Ministry Food Distribution (IMFD)	April McLean
Kairos	Bill Riggs
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Terry Sullivan
Margie's Closet	Margie Smith
Men's Ministry	Fr. Tripp
Prayer Ministry	Heather Jackson
Pastoral Care	Brenda Georgi / Patricia Williams
Stephen Ministry	Chris Armstrong / Rebecca Westfall
Tea Room	Vicky Harlan And Susan Haynes
Tea Room Gift Shop	Dixie Moran & Diane Frankenberger
Ushers - Doar Hall	Brooke Testa
Ushers—Church Building	Corey Lutynsky (8 am)/ Glenn Haynes & Clay Thornton (10:15 am)
Welcome Ministry	Heather Jackson
Women's Ministry & Life Groups,	Cathy McGrew
Youth	The Rev. Korey Kincaid