

Welcome to St. Paul's, Ivy!

To help us to know you better, please take a moment to fill out this card. You may return it in the offering plate or drop it in the mail.

Name

Address

Email

Telephone

Children / Ages

_____ I would like to be added to the mailing list.

_____ I am interested in becoming a member of St. Paul's, Ivy.

_____ I would like to speak with a member of the Welcoming Committee.

_____ I would like to speak with one of the clergy.

Questions or Comments:

SPIRITUAL GROWTH SUGGESTED READING

David F. Ford's book *Theology: A Very Short Introduction* was a favorite of the Education for Ministry (EFM) Year 4 group members. The entire group was happy to hear about assigned reading from this book, which was always pithy and thought-provoking. Big questions, such as – How is God involved in the world today and in our own lives? – are encouraged by the author who invites us to “do theology.” Three copies of this book are located on the information table in the church. Simply read and return.

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EFM) UPDATE

Congratulations to Year 4 graduates Nancy Briggs, Marta Engdahl, and Deborah Hayes, who will receive certificates for completing Education for Ministry. Deborah Hayes comments on her experience, “The course has given me the opportunity to ‘make sense of my life’ as well as offering tremendous fellowship. EFM is also one of the last bastions of free thought alongside deep and meaningful dialogue. It is one of the best things I have ever done in my very rich life.” Past EFM graduates are invited to pray for this year's graduates who will receive recognition at both services on **May 14**. Interested in being an EFM group member next year? Contact Debbie Scott, Debbie@stpaulsivy.org.

CARPENTER'S KIDS – NEWS FROM NZALI

Church Construction

The villagers in our sister parish in Nzali, Tanzania have been hard at work over the last six months constructing a sorely needed new church. Although not likely to be completed by the time our missionaries arrive in mid-June, the progress which has been made has been truly extraordinary. Praise be to God!

Famine Update

The rains finally came to Nzali last month, but unfortunately they were too little, too late. As previously reported, through the extreme generosity of the parishioners of St. Paul's, Ivy and the Blue Ridge Mountain Rotary Club, over ten tons of grain was distributed to those in need in our sister parish half a world away. The number of potential lives saved is truly immeasurable.

2017 Mission Trip

Our missionaries will be leaving for Tanzania on **June 14**. The exact number is still a bit in flux but it will be at least seven and possibly up to eleven folks travelling. All are very excited to see those with whom we have grown to love over the years and to continue teaching English to the school children in Nzali. As an added bonus, at the end of this year's trip we will be visiting the Rift Valley Children's Village, a model school which has grown from the Tanzanian Children's Fund. Our dream would be to somehow, someday, replicate this amazing feat in Nzali.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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St. Paul's Ivy Episcopal Church

May 2017

Dear St. Paul's, Ivy family,

Easter blessings to you! Thank you to our wonderful staff and all ministries that helped to make Holy Week and Easter such wonderful opportunities for worship. I hope and pray that during these festival 50 days your life is full of resurrection moments. As we enter our sixth year of ministry together I give thanks that we have thematically completed a year each of “play, love, teach, rest, and build.” This year, I propose we engage the theme of “gratitude.” What aspects of your faith and life are you especially grateful to God? How can all of us practice being grateful in our daily lives? I plan to preach about gratitude and to offer readings and other opportunities for all of us to reflect upon this important theme.

We are hosting “Sign-up Sunday's” May 21, 28, and June 4 to give everyone an opportunity to practice giving thanks through our ministries at St. Paul's, Ivy. Look for more information soon. We are also expecting to begin our capital campaign renovations and repairs in the beginning of June. We don't plan for much disruption of our programs, though our staff will be relocated for a few months. Look for detailed information in the June issue of the Vine.

I am grateful for each of you and look forward to seeing you soon.

If you would like to get together to talk about your own practice of gratitude lived out at St. Paul's, Ivy, please let me know.

God's Peace,
Rev. Eric

FRIENDS WITH FLOWERS

We are looking for a chairperson for this caring ministry. If you have a computer and thirty minutes a week, your efforts will make sure a beautiful flower arrangement is delivered to someone who is homebound. Please call Mary at the church office for more information. 434-979-6354

Adult Formation Schedule for May

May 7: When is it time for a Care Change?
May 14: Gerontology
May 21: The Moral System in Islam
May 28: Graveyard Tour

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MAY 2017 CALENDAR AND BIRTHDAYS

SPECIAL EVENTS

MAGICAL STRINGS CONCERT

Friday, May 5, 7:00 p.m.

Let your spirit soar with the sounds of Celtic harp and hammered dulcimer as the group Magical Strings performs at St. Paul's, Ivy on Friday, May 5 at 7:00 p.m. Hailing from the Pacific Northwest, virtuosos Philip and Pam Boulding have toured worldwide for 38 years and recorded 21 albums. Suggested donation is \$10. A reception will follow the concert, with time to talk with the artists.

STAY WITH US: INTERFAITH CONCERT/ BACH EASTER CANTATA

Wednesday, May 10, 7:00 p.m.

The interfaith concert, an effort of several churches, offers music and readings around the theme of hospitality, featuring Bach's Cantata 6, Stay with us, performed by our choir, other local choirs, and orchestra. The concert will take place at the Haven, 112 W. Market St., Charlottesville. Donations will benefit the Haven and the International Rescue Committee.

EVENSONG FOR ASCENSION DAY

Thursday, May 25, 7:00 p.m.

We celebrate Ascension Day at St. Paul's, Ivy with this service of choral evensong. The combined choirs of Emmanuel, Greenwood; Christ Church, Charlottesville; and St. Paul's, Ivy sing music of Stanford, Noble, and Mathias.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP CHARLOTTESVILLE'S REFUGEES?

May 5, 5:00 p.m., Continues through May

The International Rescue Committee in Charlottesville will be the (Crozet) Starr Hill Brewery's Cheers for Charity partner for the entire month of May. \$1 of every pint sold in their taproom will be donated to the IRC. The IRC will host a casual kick-off event (live music, pork BBQ food truck) on May 5 at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Consider hosting your next book club or board meeting at, or take your out-of-town visitors to, Starr Hill Brewery in Crozet in May.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH RETREAT AT SHRINE MONT

June 16 to 18

Join fellow parishioners from June 16 to 18 at Shrine Mont in glorious Orkney Springs, just an hour and a half from Ivy. The weekend begins Friday evening with a cookout and fellowship around a campfire. Spend the weekend doing as much or as little as you choose: there are hiking trails, gardens, a labyrinth, fishing ponds, playgrounds, a fantastic pool, and cottage porches made for enjoying a book or afternoon nap! Your time is only interrupted by the ringing of a bell to announce that breakfast, lunch, or dinner is ready for you to enjoy family style in the dining hall. Saturday evening includes a St. Paul's Ivy reception and ice cream social. Registration forms are available in the rear of the church or at www.stpaulsivy.org/fellowship. Registration is open until May 26. To learn more about Shrine Mont, visit www.shrinemont.com or e-mail Rebecca Hill, rebecca@virginia.edu

YOUTH SUMMER SERVICE TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 19 to June 20

This is a unique opportunity for youth in grades 6 to 12 to spend one overnight and one full day in DC in service to others. We plan to leave early Monday, June 19, and spend the day sightseeing and visiting a museum (TBD based on group interest). Spend the night at Washington Seminar Center and awake early on Tuesday morning to participate in a Service Day opportunity (<http://www.ysop.org/programs/>). There is a 1:5 adult to youth ratio and a minimum of 10 youth required to participate in the YSOP Service Day. Use this doodle poll to indicate your interest:

<http://doodle.com/poll/k8fvgzsa9k25nda7>

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

June 26 to 29

REMINDER: Sign up your children (age 4 – 9) for VBS, June 26 to 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The theme for this year's week long activities is "Love Thy Neighbor". Use the following link to register your child. <https://goo.gl/forms/6AxuS8ITeafYUT2J2>

Happy Birthday!

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| 1 Colleen Bassett
Trip Janucik
Meagie Manning
Kent Miller | 15 Brady Bowling
Libby Janucik
Elizabeth Sullivan |
| 2 Pat Young | 16 Anne Logan |
| 3 Liz Cooke
John Diehl
John Early III
Meredith Lawrence | 17 Sarah Craig
Alexandra Edeleanu
Elm Fox
Byrd Leavell Jr.
A. J. McAlister |
| 4 Mason Whitlock
Jane Anne Young | 18 Amanda Beresford
Ann Milnor |
| 5 Don Wheeler | 19 Carter McNeely |
| 6 Ned Kelly III
Ann Carter Sipe
Barbie York | 21 Harry Benner
Dickie Tayloe II |
| 7 Sharon Bibb
Taylor Branch
Lizzie Dudley
Robin Kreidler | 22 Cullen Carter
Neil Gibson
Kate Zirkle |
| 8 Lucy Johnson | 23 Deborah Hayes
Carita Kelly |
| 9 George Craddock
Reily Ewald | 24 Elizabeth Turner |
| 11 Lyle Begiebing
Stuart Sheehan
Katya Spicuzza | 25 Dorothy Bailey
Edie Catlin |
| 12 John Kelly
Phil Speasmaker
Kathryn Wesson | 27 Julie King
Maddie Thornton |
| 13 Thomas Adkins
Emily Bardeen
Elizabeth Hawkes
Karen Kimmel
Julia Mark | 28 Linda Goodling
Janie Kast
Erika Yancey |
| 14 Katherine Brooks
Liam Cleveland
George Raynor | 29 Catherine Wharton |
| | 30 Benjamin Grainger
Matt King
Caroline McLean |
| | 31 Sloan Spaulding
Bob Vernon
Robert Wheeler |

Every Sunday

Holy Eucharist, Rite I, 8:30 a.m.
Christian Formation, 9:30 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10:30 a.m.

Every Monday

Yoga with Ra, 10:00 a.m.
Centering Prayer, 12:00 p.m.

Every Tuesday

EfM, 9:30 a.m., Neve Hall
Staff Meeting, 1:30 p.m.
Scottish Country Dance Class, 7:00 p.m.,
Parish Hall

Every Wednesday

Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a.m.
Children's Choir Practice, 3:45 p.m.,
Choir Room
Adult Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.,
Choir Room

Friday, May 5

Magical Strings Concert, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 10

Bach Easter Cantata, 7:00 p.m., The Haven

Sunday, May 14

Fire Concert, 3:30 p.m., First Presbyterian,
Charlottesville

Thursday, May 25

Evensong for Ascension Day, 7:00 p.m.

June 14 to 28

Nzali Mission Trip

June 16 to 18

Parish Retreat at Shrine Mont

June 19 to 20

Youth Summer Service Trip

June 26 to 29

VBS, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Prayer Request

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

— *Philippians 4:6-7*

I would like the community of St. Paul's to hold

in prayer.

I would like the community of St. Paul's to hold the situation described below in prayer.

You may place this prayer request in the basket near the lectern or bring it with you to the Healing Prayer Service. All prayers will be read.

* If you would like someone added to the prayer list in Sunday's bulletin, please call the church office at 434-979-6354.

