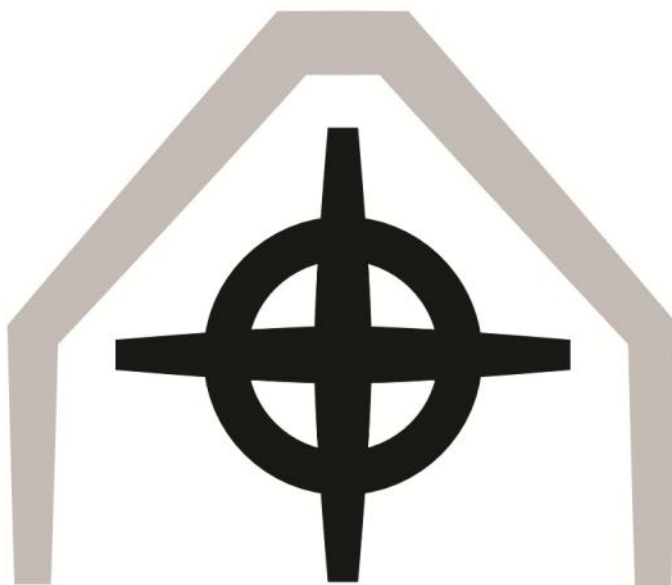




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THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 19, 2025, 9:30 AM

As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone.

We ask your prayers for: Monelu, Sharon, Ken, Candace, Lori, Debi, Betty, Nevitt, James, Avery, Pamela, Connie, Linda, Anne, Kim, Ella, and Diana.

And for those serving in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: David Craddock, John Sampson, Brett Griffin, Zachary Falter, and Isabel Steen Falter.

See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—The Episcopal Church.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer—Church of St. Edward, Whitehall; and Campus Ministry.

The Altar Arrangements are given to the Glory of God.

SERVING TODAY - 10/19/25 - 9:30AM		SERVING NEXT SUN. - 10/26/25 - 9:30AM	
Altar Guild	Dana Cunningham Mary Ellen Foster	Altar Guild	Mary Ellen Foster Diane Labrie
Chalice	Kathleen Walters	Chalice	Kathleen Walters
Crucifer	Kathleen Walters	Crucifer	Kathleen Walters
Book	Tenna Baldrige	Book	Randy Young
Reader	Mary Ellen Foster Mary Beth Coker	Reader	Dana Cunningham Diana Uhlman
Ushers	Margaret Sampson Micky Neben	Ushers	Mike Miller Linda Miller

PRAYER REQUESTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL: HYMN #372

Leoni

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA, Hymnal #S278

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 32:22-31

A Reading from Genesis

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man

wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE: PSALM 121 (*SUNG BY CHOIR*)

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:5

A Reading from 2 Timothy

AS for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient,

equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All rise as they are able.

GOSPEL PROCESSION: HYMN #711

Seek Ye First

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 18:1-8

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY

THE REV. JEAN VARGO

SILENT REFLECTION

All stand as they are able.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - From the book *"Hear Our Prayer"*

After each petition the people respond with *"Hear Our Prayer"*.

All may stand or kneel

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word,
and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not**

loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC: LIFT THINE EYES TO THE MOUNTAINS (FROM “ELIJAH”)

F. Mendelssohn

Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains,
Whence cometh help.
Thy help cometh from the Lord,
The Maker of heaven and earth.
He hath said, thy foot shall not be moved.
Thy Keeper will never slumber.
Lift thine eyes, O lift thine eyes to the mountains
Whence cometh help.

The People stand

HYMN #380, vs. 3

Old 100th

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C, Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us.
 By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS, Hymnal #S125

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

All stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD *BCP 364*

FRACTION ANTHEM: #37 FROM ENRICHING OUR MUSIC 1



A - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us



keep the feast. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance
that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with
thanksgiving.

COMMUNION MUSIC: HYMN #177 IN LEVAS

It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord

Please stand or kneel

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE PEOPLE

RECESSIONAL: HYMN #530

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THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: PASTORALE, MOVEMENT IV

J.S. Bach

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OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY – OCTOBER 26

This important day begins at 9:30 with a EUCHARIST at which Pastor Jean will put stewardship into a Biblical and Spiritual context. Following the service, browse an interactive MINI MINISTRY MALL in the Cloister. Whether your interests lie with worship opportunities such as Altar Guild, Ushers, Readers or Choir, or lean toward Parish Life events like Book Club, Spaghetti Supper or Coffee Hour, there is a place for your time and talents. Help reinvigorate Formation or Foyer Groups, or volunteer to answer the office telephone or stuff mailings. Whatever your interest and availability, your involvement is welcome and needed. A delicious BRUNCH awaits you in the Parish Hall. Please bring a side dish or dessert to supplement homemade breakfast casseroles. Leon Chuck is preparing a video to celebrate the first 100 years of St. Paul's, and we will discuss the process of beginning our search for a new Priest in Charge or Rector. Pledge packets will be mailed.

Drop-in Choir invitation for 10/26/25 - Are you interested in singing with the choir, but cannot make a weekly commitment? Come join our “drop-in” choir. A few times a year, we will notify you of a special opportunity to come sing in the choir pews with the regular choir. Rehearsal days and times are minimal, so it's not a big commitment. Our first one is going to be next week, Sunday, October 26th. If you would like to sing “A Mighty Fortress is Our God” with the choir, you are invited to join us for rehearsal following today's worship service (preceded by a brief coffee break). We will meet downstairs in the choir room at approximately 11:15 am. We will also warm up before the service on Sunday, the 26th, at 9:00 am, in the choir room. We hope to see some new faces and look forward to making music with you!

Socks for Tots - Please consider donating Socks for Tots, for the homeless preschool children at St. Vincent de Paul's homeless shelter. They are ages 2 - 6 years old. With the colder temperatures coming these socks will warm small feet. There is a Socks for Tots box in the Narthex. Thank you!

All Saints' Sunday, November 2 - If you have a loved one who died this past year and you'd like them remembered on All Saints' Sunday, please email their name to Lois in the parish office at lois@stpauls-dayton.org, or call the office at 937-293-1154. **Please have names submitted by Friday, October 24. Thank you.**

Honoring and Remembering our Veterans – On Sunday, November 9th we will celebrate our Veterans. If you are a veteran, please give your name and branch of service to Lois in our parish office by emailing her at lois@stpauls-dayton.org or by calling the church office at 937-293-1154. **Please have all names in by November 1st.** We look forward to honoring you and your service to our country. Thank you.

Movie Night - Thursday, October 30 - When Harry Met Sally (1989) starring Billy Crystal, Meg Ryan and Carrie Fisher has been described as a "Timeless Romance". Director Rob Reiner even cast his own mother to deliver the classic one-liner in Katz's Deli that is still being quoted today. If you don't know the famous line, come see the movie. Or simply come to refresh your memory. Join us for dinner at 6:00 PM, movie at 6:30 and popcorn throughout.

St. Paul's is an election polling location! A few years ago, The Montgomery County Board of Elections reached out to St. Paul's requesting use of the facility as a polling location. After an assessment by the BOE and discussion with St. Paul's leadership, St. Paul's agreed. After just a few bumps the first year, this partnership is running smoothly and although it is mainly self-contained, we give a friendly hello to voters and volunteers as we see them in the building. Please remember if you stop by on election day that there will be many pedestrians and traffic and parking will be busy. Thank you!

The next Election Day is Tuesday, November 4th.

Upcoming Dates:

October 26 10:45am - Stewardship Sunday & Brunch following worship.

November 2 All Saints' Sunday - If you have a deceased loved one you would like remembered in church, please email Lois at lois@stpauls-dayton.org

November 9 Honoring our Veterans - Please email Lois at lois@stpauls-dayton.org to give the name and branch of service of the Veteran.

November 9 Look Back, Look Forward event at St. Paul's - following worship at 10:45am. Join us in the Parish Hall for finger foods and discussion to look at a bigger and different picture, to think about what it means to be the church together and what it means to be stronger and better together.

Name Badges - The name badges have been updated to the best of our knowledge. Please let Pat Harbert know if you would like to have one or need one updated by writing your name (legibly please) on a piece of paper and giving it to Pat or an usher, or email Pat at nanahph@gmail.com. We also need to know if you want your badge to be magnetic or hanging on a lanyard. It will be so nice to put a name to a face.

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WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

WORSHIP TIMES

9:30 am - Worship Service with Hymns

Office hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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ST. PAUL'S VESTRY

Class of 2026 - Linda Bumiller, Charlie Campbell, Steve Ireland

Class of 2027 - Cheryl Strine, Kathleen Walters

Class of 2028 - Chris Brandt, Jill Davis

Senior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Paul Sampson

Junior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Joe Cairo

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