



St. Paul's

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (PROPER 17)

Sunday, August 30, 2026

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES, MUSIC, AND HYMNS

To fully participate in the service, you will need this bulletin, and the Liturgy Booklet given to you as you entered. Unless included here, all hymns are in the blue hymnals in the pews.

Prelude Little Prelude #5 in G Major		circle of J.S. Bach
Hymn in Procession #450	All hail the power of Jesus' name!	<i>Coronation</i>
First Reading	<i>see scripture insert</i>	Jeremiah 15:15-21
Psalm 26:1-8	<i>see scripture insert</i>	<i>Judica me, Domine</i>
Second Reading	<i>see scripture insert</i>	Romans 12:9-21
Sequence Hymn #577	God is love and where true love is	<i>Ubi Caritas (Murray)</i>
Gospel	<i>see scripture insert</i>	Matthew 16:21-28
Offertory Hymn #675	Take up your cross, the Savior said	<i>Bourbon</i>
Communion Hymn #325	Let us break bread together	<i>Let us Break Bread</i>
Hymn in Procession #610	Lord whose love through humble service	<i>Blaenhafren</i>
Postlude Little Fugue #5 in G Major		circle of J.S. Bach

TODAY'S MINISTERS

Celebrant & Preacher

The Rev'd David Sibley

Deacon

The Rev'd Ann Howard

Director of Music

Kraig Scott

Altar Guild

Sandy Blackaby

Missy Newcom

Flower Guild

Margaret Hoglund

Digital Verger

Chad Bro

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Sarah Bro, Cecilia McKean

Lectors

Cecilia McKean, Sally Ann Wells,

Greeter/Welcome Team

Jeremy and Kelley Hubbard

Potluck Setup and Cleanup

Margaret Hoglund, Julie Scott

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

Coffee Hour is the perfect time to meet with other parishioners and learn more about our community. Please sign up with a friend. Sign up sheets for July, August, and September are posted in the atrium for both 8:00am and 10:30am services. If you are interested in learning more about hosting, please contact Jen at 206.200.1094 or email jennifer.h.king@gmail.com.

Volunteers needed for September!

Altar Flowers

If you have flowers or bushes in bloom, please don't hesitate to offer them to Flower Guild to enhance the altar bouquets.

Many weeks remain during the summer months for you to make a memorial/thanksgiving gift. Your donation of \$65 helps us give honor to God's glorious creation with beauty during our worship together. Call the church office and they can explain the process.

Flower Memorial

The flowers on the altar for Sunday, August 23 were given in honor of Clair Rose Wagaman, granddaughter of Denny and Cheryl Wagaman. Due to an office oversight, the names were mistakenly not included in last week's bulletin.

Of your charity, please pray for Clair - and we offer our thanks to Denny and Cheryl for their generous gift.

One and Done for Food Safety

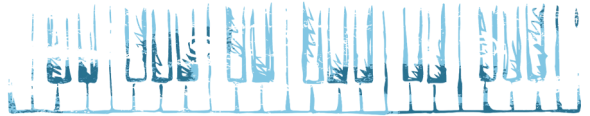
In order to minimize the risk of food borne illnesses and to protect against cross-contamination the Hospitality Guild has created a "no leftovers" rule.

Any food or beverage item that has been set out on the serving table and not consumed has to be taken home, given away, or thrown out. This includes chips, crackers, cookies, salsas, dips, and pitchers of juice.

If you are hosting coffee hour, set out smaller amounts of cookies, chips, and crackers and replenish as needed. If you serve juice, set out one pitcher at a time. There are take-home containers for leftovers available in the pantry.

Up next on First Thursday

Join on September 3, 2026 from 12:15 - 12:45 pm, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 323 Catherine Street, Walla Walla WA, for a free concert entitled "Now and Then... Music to Remember." Returning First Thursday pianist Jan Roberts will present a delightful musical journey from Broadway and Hollywood to Disney and popular music, featuring beloved favorites and memorable melodies. Free will offerings to benefit Gospel Outreach. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy!



Stewardship in Action

We are grateful to Rachel Chacko for her financial planning workshop on May 31. Rachel offered her gifts in financial literacy and shared about ways to be generous in our giving. Her talk was very well attended and well appreciated. The workshop focused on strategies for donating to St. Paul's and other charitable organizations, either giving during lifetime or passing through one's estate. Among a variety of giving strategies she highlighted is an important philanthropic tool: Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), which can be made from one's Individual Retirement Account (IRA). She also talked about bequests from one's Will or Trust and naming St. Paul's as a beneficiary of one's IRA. If you would like to learn more about ways to give financially to St. Paul's, please speak to a member of the Stewardship and Finance Guild. Thank you again Rachel, for giving the gift of your time and expertise to help us all be better informed.

Fall Small Groups: Practicing the Way

As we enter fall, small groups come often come back from their summer hiatus! This fall, our suggested read is Practicing the Way by John Mark Comer. We are constantly being formed by the world around us. To be formed by Jesus will require us to become his apprentice. To live by what the first Christian disciples called a Rule of Life—a set of practices and relational rhythms that slow us down and open up space in our daily lives for God to do what only God can do—transforms the deepest parts of us to become like him.

Practicing the Way is readily available at Bookshop.org, Amazon.com, and other booksellers. In addition, we recommend the Practicing the Way Course Companion

Guide - which breaks the book into small group sessions over 8 weeks and provides ways to think and pray over your discussions.

We're excited for small groups to continue this fall! If you want to be connected to a small group, please contact Fr. David.

Confirmation and Reception This Fall

Bishop Gretchen will be visiting St. Paul's on Sunday, October 11 at both services. With the Bishop's visit comes the opportunity to receive the rites of Confirmation and Reception.

Confirmation is the rite in which one expresses a mature commitment to Christ.

Reception is the rite in which baptized persons who have been members of another Christian fellowship make a public affirmation of their faith and commitment to the responsibilities of their baptism in the presence of a bishop.

If you are curious about either Confirmation or Reception, or wish to receive the rites when the Bishop comes in September, please reach out to Fr. David at coffee hour, or via email at davids@stpaulswv.org.

St. Paul's Transition - Key Dates to Save

As Fr. David, Em, and Nora conclude their time at St. Paul's and prepare to begin a new call as Bishop of Lexington, we know people will want more information about upcoming events. We'll keep you informed! But for now, here are the key dates you should save or know:

Sunday, October 11 -

Bishop Gretchen's Visitation
and Fr. David's last Sunday

*With Confirmations/Receptions by the Bishop,
and marking the Ending of a Pastoral
Relationship*

Saturday, January 23, 7 am PT -

Ordination at Christ Church
Cathedral, Lexington, KY

*Pending consents of bishops and
standing committees*

Financial Scams

We've had reports of parish members receiving requests for gift cards as church offerings on our behalf. As a reminder, neither St. Paul's Episcopal Church nor the Episcopal Diocese of Spokane will **ever** request offerings in the form of gift cards or by informal online transfer. If you ever receive such a request, we recommend deleting it and/or reporting it to your email provider. Please feel empowered to let us know directly, just understand that all we can offer is proactive communication.

To help prevent these scams, if anyone you don't personally know and trust ever asks you for membership info relating to the church itself, please direct them to the Parish Office. This is not because church membership is a matter of secrecy, but because we want to make sure your information is safe from scammers.

Please reach out if you're ever unsure or have any questions.

St Paul's Prayer List

Bill, John, Greg, Terry, Bill, Sandy, Lisa, Evelyne, Bob, Gary, Bishop Gretchen, Cindy, Jeremy, Joel, Sabrina, Rich, Tracey, Chad, Craig, Ann, Krista, Cindylee, Joel, Steve, Ellane, Laurence, Larry, Carol, Marsha, Nadine, Kora, Kally, Peter, Brian, ...

As we worship, we pray each week for the names that are on our Parish Prayer List—if you have names you would like to add, please contact the Parish Office (509/529-1083 or stpauls@stpaulswv.org).

Is this your first service at St. Paul's? Please take a moment to fill out a yellow visitor card. Please place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher so that we may continue our welcome.

ONGOING FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Weekly Centering Prayer at St. Paul's

Saturdays, 8:00-9:00am, Library

Join us for weekly Centering Prayer on Saturday mornings in the Library. All are welcome regardless of prior experience with a silent prayer practice. Please call or email Cecilia McKean with any questions at 509.240.2494 or ceciliamckean@gmail.com

Men's Propers

Wednesdays, 8:00-9:30am, Guild Room

Join men of St. Paul's for Men's Propers for weekly fellowship, continental breakfast, and a study of the collect and lessons for the upcoming Sunday.

Betty's Basket

Betty's Baskets collect travel sized toiletries (such as soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, lotion, etc.) to donate to the Christian Aid Center and those in need of these basic hygiene essentials. Betty's Baskets are located in the narthex and the mailroom and is a small way to help others that is greatly appreciated.

Salvation Army Food Bank Donations

Donations Welcome! If you would like to make food and pantry donations to the Salvation Army Food Bank, there is a collection cooler in the atrium and a collection box in the mailroom. Thank you!

ST. PAUL'S CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Worship

8am Holy Eucharist
10:30am Choral Eucharist

Choir Rehearsal

9am, Choir Room

Sunday Night Big Book AA

Sundays, 8pm, Guild Room

Women's AA

Mondays, 6pm, Guild Room
2nd Monday Planning meeting,
5:15pm, Campbell Hall

Cub Scouts

Mondays, 6:30pm
throughout campus

Language of the Heart AA

Tuesdays & Thursdays
12pm-1pm, Guild Room

Scouts

Tuesdays, 6:30pm, Lower Hall

Men's Propers

Wednesdays, 8am, Guild Room

Small Group (Renovaré)

Wednesdays, 1:30pm, Library

Centering Prayer

Saturdays, 8am, Library

Experience Strength and Hope Al-Anon

Saturdays, 9am, Guild Room

Saturday Noon AA

Saturdays, 12pm, Guild Room

Saturdays Evening AA

Saturdays, 7pm, Guild Room

MONTHLY EVENTS

Vestry Meeting

(3rd Wednesday of the month)
Wednesday, September 16
7pm, Guild Room

Wheatland Eucharist

(1st and 3rd Thursday of the month)
Thursday, September 3
Thursday, September 17
11am @ Wheatland Village

The Benedictine Way

(2nd and 4th Thursday of the month)
Thursday, September 10
Thursday, September 24
2pm, Guild Room

Hospitality and Welcome Guild Meeting

(3rd Thursday of the month)
Thursday, September 17
1pm, Library

Spiritual Growth and Outreach Guild Meeting

(4th Thursday of the month)
Thursday, September 24
12p, Library

Stewardship and Finance Guild Meeting

(3rd Tuesday of the month)
Tuesday, September 15
4pm, Guild Room

St. Paul's Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday
9:30am-1:30pm

Please feel free to reach out at
509/529.1083 or anytime via
email: Fr. David, Rector,
davids@stpaulswv.org

A reminder that a calendar of parish events is always available online at stpaulswv.org/calendar.