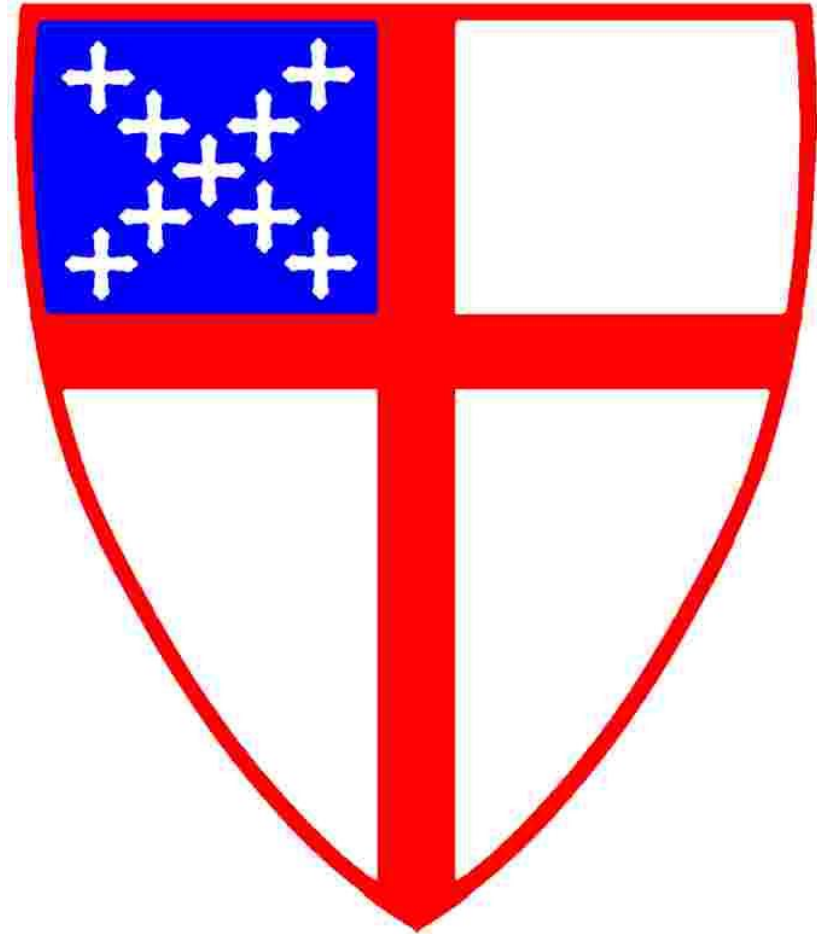


ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
21 Centre St.
Concord, NH



THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
August 31, 2008
8:00 AM

Please enter into worship quietly and reverently, in consideration of your fellow worshippers who arrive early to offer their silent prayers and who ask this of you.

The Word of God	The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 299
The Collect of the Day	See Insert
The First Reading	Exodus 3:1-15
The Psalm – 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c	See Insert
The Second Reading	Romans 12:9-21
The Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28
Sermon	Rev. Bruce Jacobson
The Baptismal Covenant	BCP p. 304
The Prayers of the People (written by the families of the baptismal candidates)	
Confession	BCP p. 360
The Peace	
The Great Thanksgiving D	BCP p. 372
<i>The congregation may kneel or stand as instructed in The Prayer Book</i>	
The Lord's Prayer	BCP p. 364
The Invitation	
<i>All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. To receive a consecrated gluten-free host, extend your right hand only.</i>	
The Post Communion Prayer	BCP p. 365
Dismissal	

Serving today -- 8am

Interim Priest	The Rev. Bruce Jacobson
Interim Associate Priest	The Rev. Celeste Hemingson
Assisting Clergy	The Rev. Deacon Charles Edward LeClerc, BSG
Lay Readers and Eucharistic Ministers	Keith Giles Lee Waples, Jean Haley
Greeter	Lee Waples
Ushers	Duncan Mac Intyre Sandy Mac Intyre
Acolyte	Bob Fenton
Altar Guild	Tamar Roberts Mary Waples

Altar Flowers are given in memory of

Reg and Edna Bergeron by the Kenneth Taylor Family

Herbert Fair and John King by Mrs. Dorothy Fair

Baptismal Candidates:

Today, we receive into the household of God:

Peyton Bennett Larrabee
Ryan Benjamin Stephenson
Collin Dave Roy
Abigail Grace Keary
Kyle Michael Schreiber

Serving today – 10am

Interim Associate Priest	The Rev. Celeste Hemingson
Assisting Clergy	The Rev. Deacon Charles Edward LeClerc, BSG
Music Minister	Mark Pace
Verger	Jack Griffin
Lay Readers and Eucharistic Ministers	Dan Esch
	Bob Cotton, Cherie Greene, Bob Arata
Greeter	Lee Waples
Acolytes	Ben Denoncourt, Alan Vomacka
	Phil Denoncourt, James Coles
	William Coles
Soloist	Lisa Bonenfant
Altar Guild	Tamar Roberts
	Mary Waples

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Let us welcome the newly baptized:

Peyton Bennett Larrabee
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Abigail Grace Keary
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Holy Baptism
August 31, 2008
10:00 AM

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Prelude	
Largo	George F. Handel
Processional Hymn	The Hymnal 450
The Word of God	The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 299
The Collect of the Day	See Insert
The Reading	Romans 12:9-21
The Gospel	Matthew 16:21-28
Sermon	Rev. Bruce Jacobson
Presentation of Candidates	BCP p. 301
Baptismal Covenant	BCP p. 304
The Baptism	BCP p. 307
The Prayers of the People (written by the families of the baptismal candidates)	
Confession	BCP p. 360
The Peace	
Offertory Music	
I'll Walk With God	Nicholas Brodsky
Lisa Bonenfant, Mezzo-Soprano	

Hymn	The Hymnal 296
The Great Thanksgiving D	BCP p. 369
<i>The congregation may kneel or stand as instructed in The Prayer Book</i>	
Sanctus	The Hymnal S130
The Lord's Prayer	BCP p. 364
The Invitation	
<i>All who yearn to be transformed and fed by God are welcome to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ at the Lord's Table. To receive a consecrated gluten-free host, extend your right hand only.</i>	
Music during Communion	
A Time for Everything	Mark Hayes
Lisa Bonenfant, Mezzo-Soprano	
The Post Communion Prayer	BCP p. 365
Recessional Hymn	The Hymnal 401
Dismissal	
Postlude	
Prelude from 'Te Deum'	Marc-Antoine Charpentier

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Centre Point

This Week at St. Paul's:

Mon. September 1st – OFFICE CLOSED – Labor Day

Tues. September 2nd – 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist

Tues. September 2nd – 5:15 PM Rhythm, Dance, Music & Song (RDMS)

Wed. September 3rd – 10:30 AM RDMS

Wed. September 3rd – 6 PM Book Discussion Group

Thurs. September 4th - 12:10 PM Holy Eucharist

FYI -Midweek Eucharistic services are held in the chapel and are about a half hour long.

Announcements

Sunday, September 28th 10:00 AM – Polka Mass! A Polka Mass? What is a Polka Mass? A Polka Mass is a term used for a worship service in which traditional polka music is used. Musical selections are based on the sacred text of the Mass arranged in a polka style. This type of mass is popular in the mid-west among Roman Catholics of Czech or Polish origin. Most Polka Masses are held in conjunction with a festival or anniversary. We are having ours here at St. Paul's on the Feast of St. Wenceslaus. His feast day has been celebrated at least since 985 in Bohemia, and he is known from the Christmas Carol, Good King Wenceslaus.

Celeste brought back the idea of a Polka Mass from a trip to Spillville, Iowa in which she met the composer and arranger of this Polka Mass, Dr. Jane DeVee Dixon. Dr. Dixon who is a professor of music in Maryland, will be with us that Sunday. You will not want to miss this special day!

Forever Young - Save the Date – There will be a meeting on October 21st at 9:30 AM to clean and price jewelry for the church fair.

As of Tuesday, September 2nd we return to regular office hours

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs. 8:30am – 4:30pm

Fri. 8:30am – 2:00pm



RECTOR SEARCH UPDATE - The Diocese presented the Search Committee with the names of the first batch of candidates interested in pursuing a call to St. Paul's Church on June 23rd. Since then, the Committee has received additional names from the Diocese, and the interview process is now well underway. The Search Committee has evaluated application materials and invited selected candidates to visit St. Paul's for an interview. These visits typically have extended for several days including tours of Concord and the church. In addition to one formal interview with the entire Committee, candidates met with smaller groups of Committee members over lunch, etc., for more casual conversation. Following local interviews in Concord, the Committee then visited some of the candidates at their home parishes for a Sunday worship service. In addition to conducting interviews, the Committee continues to meet weekly to discuss the candidates. Committee deliberations are increasingly focused and intense as we try to discern who God is calling to St. Paul's. We thank you for your trust and support as we search for our next rector, and we ask that you continue to pray for God's guidance as we try to select three candidates to recommend to the vestry.



Book Club –This month's book is "The Bean Trees" by Barbara Kingsolver. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9th at 7PM at Marjorie Estes' house, 145 Mountain Road, Concord.



Black fly Season - Black Flies ended our season with a win. That puts our record at 4 wins and 3 losses – yahoo! Our best season ever. Thanks to all our players and fans for another great season.

Crop Walk – The Crop Hunger Walk is Oct. 11th. St. Paul's is trying to put a team together. Our very own Food Pantry benefits GREATLY from this event every year. If you are interested in joining the team, sign up in the upper parish hall.

****Food Pantry Needed Item of the Week****
Diapers (size 5 & 6) and Canned Fruit

Music Opportunities Starting in the Fall

Adult Choir Members and Interested Singers-It is almost time to get back to our usual schedule. We will begin rehearsals on Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 AM and sing at the 10:00 AM service that day. Also, for those of you in town the weekend before, we will have a rehearsal on Sunday, August 31st from 9:00-10:00 AM to begin work on a Polka Mass that we will sing on Sunday, September 28th.

Parents of Children from Kindergarten-5th Grade-We will begin our fall schedule on Monday, September 8th from 4:00-5:00 PM in the choir room. We separate the children into two groups for half the time with the Kindergarten and 1st Graders staying in the choir room, playing Orff and percussion instruments, musical games and learning to read music, while the older kids play in a hand chime choir and ring our tower bells. We then join together to sing and learn an anthem that we will sing on the first Sunday of each month beginning in October.

RDMS-Rhythm, Dance, Movement and Song- A Montessori-based music curriculum for children from birth to 4 years of age with an adult caregiver will begin on Tuesday, September 2nd at 5:15 PM and Wednesday morning, September 3rd at 10:30 AM.

Upright Piano Available – The SPY group has an upright piano available for the taking. It has a broken pedal and needs a tuning but is otherwise functional. If you have an interest and a way to move it out of here, contact Kellie Denoncourt at 224-2523 or kelliedenoncourt@gmail.com.

The Mustard Seed Preschool Program The Mustard Seed Program is changing! We hope to meet the changing needs of our community by offering a one-morning per week program on Wednesdays here at St. Paul's. We will experience stories, share in creative projects, develop spiritually and learn together. A small donation to participate is requested but not required. Three to five year old children are welcomed. For more information, contact Sarah Nyhan here at St. Paul's Church at 224-2523 ext. 17 or snyhan@stpaulsconcord.org.



St. Paul's Sunday School - CALL FOR TEACHERS!!

It's not too late to volunteer to help in our Sunday School program! Training for new teachers will begin soon. We are looking for individuals willing to make a three week commitment – could that be you? Please contact Sarah Nyhan if you are interested in participating in this spirit-filled volunteer program! We are hoping for three or four individuals to take on each block of Sundays, beginning after Labor Day. Joyful and mindful training (and tasty snacks) will be provided before you begin, as well as ongoing support.

Contact Sarah Nyhan at 224-2523 ext. 17 or snyhan@stpaulsconcord.org.

Chapter II Thrift Store is now accepting donations of fall (especially back-to-school) clothes, men's clothing and small household articles. Please bring in clean and folded (or hanging) items to the church Monday to Friday 10 AM – 2 PM.

Church Fair - The Fair/Craft Committee meets once a month on the second Sunday of the month; future dates are September 14 and October 12 at 5 PM. We start with a short meeting, enjoy a potluck dinner about 5:30 PM and move onto craft projects that will be sold at the Fair. Instruction and materials provided. Come join us and get to know other members.

St. Paul's Church Ministry Fair – Next week on Sunday, September 7th between the 8 AM and 10 AM services in upper parish hall. A representative from each of St. Paul's ministries will be available to provide information and maybe to recruit some new volunteers. If your group has something to share with the congregation about its mission in the church, this is an opportunity to let everyone know. The Ministry Fair will coincide with the **Welcome Back Brunch** which will be held in Ordway Hall. Summer season is over, it's back-to-school and back-to-church, so come and greet your fellow parishioners over brunch and don't forget those name tags. Please contact Kellie Denoncourt at kelliedenoncourt@gmail.com or call 224-2523 with any questions.

New Adult Education Series - Adult discussion on "A Wing and a Prayer" by Katherine Jefferts Schori:

At our first meeting, Wednesday, September 3rd we're going to talk about Parts 1 and 2. The schedule for remaining weeks is as follows:

September 10	Part 4
September 17	Parts 3 and 5
September 24	Parts 6 and 7
October 1	Part 8

See you Wednesday evening at 6. Celeste Hemingson

August Milestones - Baptisms:

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Ryan Benjamin Stephenson
Collin Dave Roy
Abigail Grace Keary
Kyle Michael Schreiber

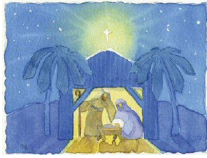
Marriages:

Larry Joseph Linden, Jr. and Cathy Lou Collins

Funerals/Memorials:

Jo-Anne Buchanan
Frederick MacDonald Wood

CASA of NH Holiday Cards are themed greetings reflecting the talents of



local artists, children & photographers. CASA Holiday Cards showcase our great state and demonstrate support for NH's abused & neglected children. For more information on CASA of NH, corporate imprinting, and to view our great designs, please visit: www.casanh.org/holidaycards or call 1-800-626-0622.

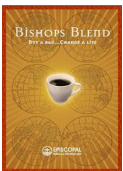
Education for Ministry – Time is running out.

Mid-August is the deadline to register for EfM

Are you looking for better understanding of the bible, church history, theology and yourself? EfM is an opportunity to deepen your faith and learn to apply it to your life and ministry. Now EfM is coming to Saint Paul's Church September, 2008. To register or get more information contact Michael 'kirk' Kirkhuff at 485-8275 or mlkirk12530@comcast.net.

SPY Family Cookout – Welcome back everyone! A New Year is upon us and WE ARE READY! St. Paul's Youth (S.P.Y.) and Jr. S.P.Y. will be hosting a cookout for all Youth in grades 6-12 and their families who are interested in knowing what there is planned for this energetic and active group for the year! The date for this shindig will be Sunday, September 14th at 6:00 PM here at the church. We will enjoy dinner together and fellowship. Then we will answer any questions you have and let you what we will be up to! Sign up in the upper parish hall! Call Kellie Denoncourt (226-9113) or Davis Richmond (224-9782) with any questions.

Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD)



When you buy Bishops Blend coffee, you change lives! All proceeds go into ERD's general fund so they can be used for the areas of greatest need – such as emergency assistance after floods or support for AIDS orphans. Five varieties available at \$7.50 per 12 oz. bag.

Place orders (order form at church entrances) in the upper parish hall or contact Judy Fox at judyxof@gmail.com. Orders placed on the 15th of each month.

The August coffee order is available for pick up in the workroom.

ST PAUL'S COMMUNITY CIRCLE FOR REFUGEES

Refugees and immigrants need more than just material goods. Learning, navigating and flourishing in a new world can be extremely challenging. The Interfaith Refugee Resettlement Program (IRRP) welcomes people of good will to join the mission to assist these people as they begin new lives in New Hampshire. IRRP was established in 1997 as a joint effort of three national organizations: [Church World Service](#), [Episcopal Migration Ministries](#), and [Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service](#).

“Community Circles” is a volunteering program piloted by IRRP. Individuals or groups are brought together under the common goal of helping a refugee family reach self-sufficiency. “Community Circles” are paired with IRRP clients to see them through the resettlement process. Each person is responsible for contributing his/her share to the relationship with the refugees and to supporting fellow circle members. St Paul's is now forming a "Community Circle" which will welcome a family this fall.

“Circles” work with refugees in a number of capacities, helping them get around town, access resources like ESOL classes, and understand American culture. Deciphering a utility bill, helping to apply for a library card or navigate the grocery store for the first time are examples. Basically, our role as volunteers is to welcome and be good neighbors to the new family. "Circle" members communicate with IRRP's Volunteer Coordinator regarding activities with the refugee family so she knows how they're doing, and with the rest of the "Circle." IRRP provides extensive volunteer support and resources. A "Circle" works closely with the new refugee family for about 6 months, and volunteers should plan to be available 2 hours a week, although that can vary. If you want to help but are unable to make a weekly commitment, there is also "behind the scenes" work to be done preparing for the family's arrival, and of course, donations are welcome. Donated goods furnish each family's apartment.

All volunteers and members of each “Community Circle” must complete training, criminal and driving background checks and sign a confidentiality agreement. Following the training, the “Circle” will be matched with a refugee family. An introductory session will be conducted with the “Circle,” the refugees, the Volunteer Coordinator and a Case Manager or Worker. This is where the journey begins!

If you are interested in becoming a member of the St. Paul's “Community Circle” or any other volunteering opportunity, please contact Abigail Stoutimore (IRRP Volunteer Coordinator) at (603) 224.8111. If you want to talk with a current IRRP volunteer who will be a part of our St Paul's "Circle," call Deb Baker 228-1328. Thank you!

GIFTS FOR CHIPS

The Episcopal Diocese Prison Concerns Committee is in its 31st year of helping to provide gifts for Children of Incarcerated Parents (ChIPs). As we try to meet the needs of those in prison, especially the children of inmates at Christmas, we see the innocent victims of crime and the effect felt most painfully in these young hearts.

These children will be missing at least one parent this Christmas. They will miss an irretrievable piece of childhood through no fault of their own. We feel blessed to be able to ease that hurt, if only for a short while.

The demands on the program have grown each year, and thankfully, so has the response. In 2008, we hope to distribute as many as 1200 gifts and an equal number of new books to the children. Won't you help us make a difference? Drop off gifts or monetary donations at your church. The delegates to the Diocesan Convention will bring them to the Convention on **November 8** where they will be transported to Blass Clubhouse at St. Paul's School for sorting. The dates for sorting are tentatively set for November 8 through November 12.

There are many ways you can help. You can volunteer to collect gifts and serve as your parish's contact, help sort the gifts at St. Paul's, help with the wrapping of the gifts. Wrapping will take place on December 1. If you are interested in wrapping, I must know by November 1. For more information, or if you wish to volunteer, please contact Margaret Mackie-Ciancio at 603 432-7679 or at mmciancio@comcast.net.

From the Prison Concerns Committee, from the children who will be touched by your efforts, and for your willingness to be a part of this project, we are inspired by the gospel of Matthew (22:40), "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me."

Gift Guidelines

We group gifts according to the following age groups:

Birth to 2; ages 3 to 4; ages 5 to 7; ages 8-11;
ages 12-14; and ages 15-18

Gifts should not exceed \$20 (original retail value).

One \$20 gift is preferable to four \$5 gifts as it is difficult to group items together to equal a \$20 gift.

If you don't want to purchase a \$20 gift, any monetary donation would be great and used by the committee to purchase as many \$20 gifts or books as possible.

If you purchase a gift that requires batteries, **please** purchase those as well and attach them to the gift. It's so discouraging to receive a gift with no batteries.

We hope to collect a new book for each child as well as a gift.

Consider buying a gift that would be appropriate for both boys and girls such as balls or board games.

Don't forget the older children. It is often easier to buy gifts for younger children. There is always a shortage of gifts for older children.

No used books or toys can be accepted.

None of the following items are acceptable: balloons, crayons, play dough, glue, bubbles, make up, long sticks or paint brushes, glass items, clothing, sharp tools or toy weapons of any kind.