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# ANNUAL PARISH REPORT

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ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## The Mission of the Church

The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ. The Church pursues its mission as it prays and worships, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace, and love. It is carried out through the ministry of all members of the Church.

*(Book of Common Prayer, p. 855)*

## The Vision of the Ministries of St. Paul's Church

- ❖ Worship will provide powerful and inspiring liturgy, music, and teaching.
- ❖ Pastoral Care will be provided for all phases of our birth, life, and death cycle.
- ❖ Educational programs will enable people of all ages to grow in their knowledge and love of Christ.
- ❖ Outreach programs will reflect an increasing commitment to serve the needs of others.
- ❖ Stewardship of time, talent, income, assets, and estate will reflect thankfulness for God's gifts to us.
- ❖ Our hospitality will ensure that all members feel included, known, and valued.
- ❖ Facilities, leaders, and staff will be accessible, support, and program enabling.

## Record of Services

*January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019*

Sunday Holy Eucharist	113	Baptisms	2
Total Sunday Services	119	Receptions	1
Weekday Services	131	Confirmations	6
		Marriages	2
Average Sunday Attendance	158	Burials	18
Total Attendance	11,536		

## A Note from the Rector

The Reverend Robert Picken

January 26, 2020

*Jesus said, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." (Matthew 4:19, NRSV)*

Dear Friends,

It was a day like so many other days for Andrew and Simon, James and John. These fishermen had engaged in the same routine hundreds of times before: get up when the sky is still dark, walk down to the sea, and hurl nets into the water, anticipating a catch of fish. Then, amid familiarity, a new beginning takes place as Jesus calls them to follow.

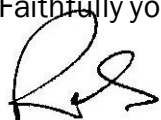
Like those first disciples and our ancestors in faith before us here, we make God's mercy, compassion, and hope known to more than any service register can count. This Annual Report provides a mere glimpse into the ways that we, as St. Paul's Church, seek to faithfully follow Jesus.

I remain grateful for the work of our Wardens and Vestry, especially Liz Cook, David Harre, Lindsay Korth and Diane Pratt, who have completed their terms of service. We are truly blessed to have such a devoted group of leaders, who bring a diversity of skills and faith experience to the table. We also have many other parishioners, who with thoughtfulness and love in their hearts provide leadership throughout the year; we should all give thanks to God for them. Last but not least I am grateful to the parish staff, who provides dedicated support for the mission and ministry of the parish: please take the time to say thank you to them.

During the course of 2020, I will serve as President of the Diocesan Standing Committee and will continue to serve on the Boards of Rural and Migrant Ministry and Episcopal Senior Life Communities. These are all richly rewarding experiences for me, for a variety of reasons, and all help extend the reach of our parish.

While this Report mostly looks back, I find that the source of my enthusiasm for ministry here is our future together. St. Paul's is a strong and faithful community whose spirituality deepens week by week and I am confident that there is so much more we will be called to do together for the glory of God and in service of God's people. I remain,

Faithfully yours,



## Assistant Rector's Report

There are so many things about serving at St Paul's that are exciting and joyous. Our fellowship, worship, outreach, and abiding love of Christ which binds us together make serving this community a pleasure and fill me with hope for our future. But what is truly life-giving is to witness and to be a part of resurrection and new life here.

Beginning in September, four youth from St Paul's gathered each Sunday morning to prepare for the Confirmation during the Bishop's visit. We discussed and learned about the history of Christianity, a deeper and understanding of worship, engaging in prayer, the importance of a community of faith, and what it means to live a life according to our Baptismal Covenant. Then, on All Saints' Sunday during Bishop Singh's annual visit, these four youth (together with several adults) committed themselves to taking on the responsibility for living a faithful life and all that entails.

Two weeks later, these same four youth as well as several others gathered in Wainwright Hall for the first Youth Group meeting in several years. The resurrection of St Paul's Youth Group has been something many of us have been praying for, looking forward to, and preparing for and to have reached the moment when that happened is a great sign of health for the congregation of St Paul's and a much-needed resource for the youth of the church.

It is our hope that the youth group will offer the young people of St Paul's in grades 6-12 a place to come and explore their faith, strengthen their relationships with each other, offer themselves for outreach and mission work, and have a good time all the while. They have already cooked a meal for RAIHN and are busy making plans to continue doing this and beginning other forms of outreach as well. I will say that being a part of this new life for the Youth Group is one of the more exciting things I have been involved with in my ministry.

We have continued to have our youth serve as readers and acolytes on the third Sunday of each month. However, over the coming months the youth will begin serving more frequently. They are looking forward to the opportunity to take their role in helping to lead worship at St Paul's. This is all in addition to our regular practice of children being brought into the church for the Eucharistic Prayer and then having them commend the congregation to, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!" I have been proud of our younger members as they take ownership in our most clear and communal expression of our faith.

This also speaks to the health of our family ministry which continues to gather each month for a fellowship meal and offer resources to the young families of St Paul's. These monthly meals typically see over 20 people breaking bread together and sharing stories of the joys and struggles of parenthood and family life.

In addition to the ministry offered at St Paul's, I also serve the Diocese of Rochester in two ways. I continue to serve on Diocesan Council and as part of the Council's Mission Grants Committee. We help to guide the diocese in preparing the annual budget, advise the bishop as asked for, and discern how to best fund the many vital ministries throughout the diocese that congregations and organizations are engaged with that they are unable to fully fund themselves. Your generosity to St Paul's helps to reach people far beyond the congregation.

I continue to serve as Chair of the diocese's Pastoral Care Response Resource. This group of laity and clergy come together when requested by the bishop in order to offer acute pastoral care to a congregation experiencing crisis. Thankfully it is a ministry that has only been called into action one time thus far, although all the members work to keep themselves prepared for when that next call will come.

Faithfully,

The Rev Jay Burkardt  
Assistant Rector

## Children, Youth and Family Formation

Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. - Matthew 7:24

We continue to praise God each and every Sunday morning in our classrooms here at St. Paul's! This verse from Matthew can be found in one of our favorite songs we kick start our mornings with – “The Wise Man Build His House”. Like many of our songs, it has lyrics that help our kids learn and appreciate the various bible stories we hear each week. And hand motions and dancing make it such fun!

During the fall season, our PreK-2 class and 3-5 class continue to start their mornings with songs and prayers together, then head into their own classrooms for a lesson specifically tailored for their age group. An update to the curriculum this year introduced the Fruits of The Spirit from Galatians 5:22-23. These 9 weeks of lessons gave them the tool to learn about each “fruit” every week. Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control. With a story, craft, snack, prayers, skits (older kids acted out, and the younger kids watch), games and take home materials, it gives them the necessary support to carry out the message throughout their week.

We celebrated the season of Advent and Christmas with a focus on Advent lessons in the classroom during December and our annual pageant, with over 30 children and adults participating!

During the winter months, our latest children's ministry 8 week curriculum is “Put on the Armor of God” from Ephesians 6. Using the similar classroom set up (songs, prayer, story, game, skits, crafts and snacks). Each week gives us a new story to help equip the children to faithfully follow Jesus. We'll “put on” the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, shoes of peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, sword of the spirit, and prayer.

After our fall confirmation class wrapped up, our middle and high school youth took a new path and are now attending the 10am service full time. They are invited and encouraged to be active participants in the service, with opportunities to acolyte, do a reading, or be an usher or greeter. They are also invited to help with our younger children in the Sunday school classrooms.

The youth group is off to a great year, meeting a couple of times a month with Jay leading the way. Families are providing dinner, and kids are working on various youth ministry opportunities and growing their friendships together. Our monthly family lunches continue, which is a wonderful way for families to socialize together in a relaxed atmosphere. And a tasty meal is always provided!

Our dedicated childcare givers, Dorrie and Candace, are quite busy this year! We have new babies and toddlers in the nursery, so an expansion of the nursery was needed. The classroom across from the nursery is now nursery room #2, equipped with all sorts of items babies need to be well cared for.

We have about 30 active children and youth and offer special Sundays including our Kick Off Sunday school sign up and breakfast, children's Halloween party, Advent activities for families, the Christmas pageant, Lenten activity bags, annual outdoor picnic, along with our 40 weeks of Sunday school classes.

~ Amy Welker, Director of Faith Formation for Children, Youth & Families.

## Adult Faith Formation

The 9AM Adult Formation programs continue the philosophy of offering 3 – 5 week programs, each program focusing on a different aspect of adult formation: Foundations, Bible Study, Theology, Living, Sharing, and History. We also coordinate the four Dessert and Discussion programs, normally two in the fall and two in the spring.

About a year ago we began tracking attendance at all adult formation programs in order to have an indication of interest and to respond to the parochial report. Since September of 2018, we have had 67 unique individuals attend programs, with 224 individual attendees (i.e. many people attend many sessions, while others may attend only one or two). Attendance at the 9AM program varies from about 10 people to about 25 people. The Dessert and Discussion programs draw from 25 – 30 individuals.

The “Faith in the World” program falls within the Adult Formation area. This year The Reverend Canon Scott Gunn, from Forward Movement, was the speaker. Scott conducted a full day workshop on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, and delivered the sermons at both the 8am and 10am services. The focus of the workshop was Episcopalian Evangelism, following up on Presiding Bishop Curry’s program: The Way of Love. The Saturday workshop was attended by about 60 people.

In Fall 2019, our 9AM programs included:

- Familiar Parables/Fresh Perspectives
- The Way of Love: Learn, Worship, Bless, Rest
- Healing Prayer
- Psalms: Songs of the People

In Spring 2020, our 9AM programs will include:

- Communion Churches: Moravian, Lutheran, and Methodist
- What kind of heretic are you?
- What’s It Mean?
- Resurrections – Jesus is Not Here?
- How2charist
- Preparing for the Lambeth Conference

If you see a topic that interests you, please join us in the Cadigan Room.

Dessert and Discussion programs in the Fall included a session on Poetry in Faith by The Reverend Taylor Daynes, our former seminarian, and The Reverend William Daniel on his new book: Inhabited by Grace. In the spring, we have planned on April 20<sup>th</sup>, Stephen Cady, Senior Minister at Asbury who will speak about the upcoming Methodist Convention; and on May 4<sup>th</sup> Monica Weis, PhD, SSJ will speak about Thomas Merton and The Power of Landscape.

Finding new ways to help us share and learn more about our faith tradition is a joy and a challenge. Please join us.

~ Nancy Gear, Director, Adult Faith Formation

# Music Director's Report

Reflecting each January on the past season is always a joy. I am so very fortunate to work with such dedicated singers and ringers (and their families, who “give them up” to rehearsals and services), as well as the best staff on the planet!

Our music ministry work is one of many, many pieces that fit together to form the wonderful and beautiful puzzle that is St. Paul's, and it is a great privilege to be the one who leads this work. 2019 was a terrific year, with highlights bulleted below...but on a personal note, I want to express my profound thanks for the gift of the sabbatical leave I had this past summer. It was a much-needed time for reflection and rejuvenation, and I returned rested and ready for the new season!

- The St. Paul's Choir and Bell Choir continue strong! We welcomed Chandler Moran, Charlotte Nickell, and April Laskey as new members of the St. Paul's Choir.
- Our young Choristers continue to rehearse weekly, and though the group is smaller this season it is no less dedicated! Leif Johnson is the first to complete the “Basic Skills” requirements; he was presented with his ribbon and badge in a ceremony this past fall.
- Student staff singer transitions: Gileann Tan, Kyrsten Jones, and Jeremiah Jones left our midst at the end of last season, and we welcomed CASSIE ZINKAN, PAYTON DZIEKAN, and BERGSVEIN TOVERUD as their successors.
- Organ Scholar transition: Käthe Wright-Kaufmann left us to become Organ Scholar at Peterborough Cathedral in the UK! We welcomed Eastman Master's student DALE NICKELL in September as our excellent new Organ Scholar (his wife Charlotte, named above, is a new soprano in the St. Paul's Choir).
- We welcomed FAITH CURTIS back to the choir on a number of occasions last season; she is now in her second year at Binghamton University. Also, we had a cameo appearance by KARA McSHANE (formerly a soprano in the choir) last October.
- The St. Paul's Choir offered Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms* last spring, and Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem* this past November. Grace Henshaw was harpist for both works, and Heidi Brodwin was violinist for the Fauré. On Christmas Eve, we sang most of Part One of Handel's *Messiah*; our own staff singers excellently covered the solos; Heidi Brodwin and Lara Sipols were our violinists (joined by RPO colleagues Roberta Zalkind and Benjamin Krug on viola and cello).
- Vince Reale, Helen Valenza, and Carol Rodland also shared their instrumentalist gifts with us during the season.
- Our annual Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent was especially good this year, as was the Festive Reception, organized by the ever-wonderful Joan Flint, Judy McGrath, and Darlene Aiken. Many parishioners contributed many wonderful “eats” for that!
- *If Music Be the Food* completed its 10<sup>th</sup> season, garnering **\$9,499 in cash donations**, and **782 pounds of food!** St Paul's hosted the first concert in season 11 last October. The 2<sup>nd</sup> concert is TONIGHT at 7:30 at Third Presbyterian Church.
- Our Skinner organ continues to get regular use by students from Eastman, and this spring we will be the venue for no fewer than three degree recitals.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for March 29<sup>th</sup>, at 4pm. The St. Paul's Choir will present Bob Chilcott's *St. John Passion*, with soloists Nate McEwen, Malcolm Merriweather, and Eastman's Jan Opalach, along with brass quintet, timpani, viola, and cello! This is a very moving work, and we offer it as our Lenten “Meditation on the Passion.”

~ Dr. Robert Poovey, Director of Music



## Outreach Council

The Outreach Council is the arm of the Vestry that oversees and reviews St. Paul's outreach projects and mission giving in the form of monetary support. Monetary support consists of grants to outreach applications that meet human needs both locally and worldwide as well as Vestry designated funds that support Mission Opportunities.

The Outreach Council meets Monthly, or as needed, to review grant applications. Members of the council review the application and decisions on grants are made after thoughtful discussion. Council members in 2019 were: Tim Dewart, Robert Shaddock, Peg Willard, Jan Ashley, Floyd Bailey, Claudius Scott, Kevin Frisch and Duane Swanson.

Some of the grants during 2019 were awarded to:

St. Stephen's Sunday Supper  
Greentopia  
Rural Migrant Ministry  
Thai Home for Girls in Kudumiyamalai, India  
AFEDJ-Women's Empowerment Program  
ESWA—Winter Survival Program  
Church of the Ascension-Revival in the Park  
REACH Emergency Home  
Beyond Soup at St. Joseph's House  
St. Mark's and St. John's Food Pantry  
The Arnett House Residence for Homeless LGBTQ Youth

### Rector's Discretionary Fund

In addition to urgent pastoral needs, the Rector's Discretionary Fund, an auditable account administered by the clergy, provided donations in a variety of ways to many programs, ministries, and organizations, including but not limited to:

Theological Education	Rural and Migrant Ministry
Teen Empowerment	Episcopal Senior Life Communities
FoodLink	Episcopal Campus Ministry Programs
Water for South Sudan	Historic Black Colleges and Universities
RAIHN	School #9
A Meal and More	The Episcopal Church Annual Appeal

~ Bob Shaddock, Chair, Outreach Council

## Wardens' Report

Halleluia! Another great year is in the books for St. Paul's under the engaging and inspirational leadership of Rev. Rob Picken, Rev. Jay Burkardt and newly arrived Deacon Sue Ouellette. They have encouraged our active community to grow even closer through fellowship and ministry within our church walls and outside our doors.

In addition to already established traditions of Dessert & Discussion, Lenten Soup 'n Supper, the Festive Reception after Lessons & Carols, the Great Chili Cook-off, and the Choir Variety Show, we have added monthly Pot Luck Dinners and Senior Luncheons. All of these events have provided opportunities to celebrate our lives together.

St. Paul's Youth Group has been reinvigorated and is meeting regularly for fellowship, sharing a meal, and planning how they might be more engaged in worship and ministries. They are serving as readers during the 10 o'clock service and are being encouraged to become acolytes. Our youth have prepared a meal for our RAIHN guests and are planning on participating in the Bowl-a-thon. In addition, they are exploring available fun adventures outside of our campus to enjoy their time together.

Family Ministry has also been a focus of our leadership team. Childcare is now offered in both a toddler room and an infant room. The church school is alive with young children as they participate in Christ-centered play. Families are invited to gather for periodic luncheons after the 10 o'clock service. We recognize how important youth and their families are to the vibrancy of our congregation!

Adult education continues to enhance and expand our religious knowledge and helps to deepen our faith. Whether book groups, a variety of adult education forums, video conferencing, or outside lecturers, our Clergy and Nancy Gear are certain to find interesting avenues to explore. Participation is strong.

St. Paul's parishioners have been generous with their treasure, time and talents outside our doors. We continue to host RAIHN and support the organization city wide, we maintain a close relationship with St. Joe's, and School #9 remains an important ministry. Through our Outreach Council, numerous grants have been given to support organizations within Rochester and as far reaching as India and South Sudan. We have also formed a partnership with Rural Migrant Ministry in Lyons, NY as highlighted by today's speaker, Rev. Richard Witt and the luncheon prepared by a newly formed catering group from RMM. Rob is currently serving on their board.

Last but not least we need to thank Kent Reese, a third year RIT student, for redesigning our website. It is still a work in progress, so please do not hesitate to comment.

~Nancy Reale and Rita Lancy, Wardens

# Parish Financials

## 2020 Financial Ministry Plan

	<u>2019</u> <u>Actual *</u>	<u>B/(W)</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>Budget</u>	<u>H / (L)</u> <u>2019</u>
<b>SUPPORT &amp; REVENUE</b>				
Pledges / Fees	407	14	364	(43)
Unpledged Contributions	20	5	18	(2)
Plate/Seasonal Offerings	13	(1)	13	0
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>(45)</b>
Draw / Interest	573	1	577	3
Trust Income	23	(1)	23	0
Rental Income	29	3	26	(3)
Plate II Offerings	9	6	4	(5)
Other Flow-thru income**	25	5	24	(1)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>(51)</b>

### EXPENSES

Apportionment	163	--	161	(2)
Outreach	78	0	78	0
RDF to Outreach	(10)	--	(30)	(20)
Plate II flow-thru	8.8	(6)	4	(5)
<b>Mission/Outreach sub-total</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>(6)</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>(27)</b>
Programs	42	2	45	3
Clergy	258	4	252	(5)
Property, excl. maintenance	145	(3)	145	0
Maintenance	108	(51)	58	(50)
Maintenance Reserve	(48)	--	--	48
Music	126	3	124	(2)
Other Flow-thru expense **	27	(4)	27	0
Administration	196	8	193	(4)
Uncollectible Pledges	6	9	12	6
Contingency / (Task)		7	(21)	(21)
<b>Operations Expense sub-total</b>	<b>860</b>	<b>(26)</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>(24)</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,100</b>	<b>(32)</b>	<b>1,049</b>	<b>(51)</b>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

\* Preliminary / unaudited

\*\* Altar Flowers and Service Salary

# Parish Financials

## Unaudited Balance Sheet

(in thousands)

	Year-end 2018	Year-end 2019	2019 H/(L) 2018
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Checking / Savings / Cap Reserve	543	710	167
Investments	12,197	13,817	1,620
Receivables / Other Assets	184	42	(143)
Prepaid Expenses	10	11	1
Net Fixed Assets	2,451	2,131	(320)
<b>TOTAL ASSETS *</b>	<b>\$ 15,385</b>	<b>\$ 16,709</b>	<b>\$ 1,324</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current Liabilities	11	8	
Held for Organizations	13	12	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 24</b>	<b>\$ 20</b>	
<b>Equity / Fund Balances</b>			
Operating Fund	292	244	
Vestry Designated Funds	7,265	8,243	
Restricted Funds	265	318	
Endowment Fund	5,088	5,754	
Plant Fund	2,451	2,131	
<b>Total Equity / Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 15,361</b>	<b>\$ 16,690</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES/EQUITY *</b>	<b>\$ 15,385</b>	<b>\$ 16,709</b>	

# Property Report

The property committee has been busy this past year receiving and reviewing the proposals for building improvements and maintenance issues that come with owning such a magnificent worship space.

We are pleased to report that there are several projects that have been completed.

- \* The roof has been repaired and the multiple leaks seem to have been fixed.
- \* The exterior door restoration has been completed.
- \* The gym has been refurbished and an air circulation system installed.
- \* The alarm system has been reconfigured so that when an alarm is transmitted, the fire department will know whether the problem is in Wainwright Hall or the main campus. In addition, the sump pump has been zoned so that if it ceases to operate, an alarm will be triggered. Immediate action will prevent flooding of the basement.
- \* The Pike Stained Glass Studios has completed a comprehensive study of our stained-glass windows so that we will know how to stage necessary repair work.
- \* The light bulbs in the Sanctuary have been replaced. This is done on a 3 - 4 year cycle.
- \* Repairs were made to the garage and it was re-stained.
- \* Directional signs have been installed and, should make it easier for those unfamiliar with the layout of the campus to find their way around.
- \* The chairs used in the Parish Hall have been cleaned.
- \* Plans are underway to refurbish Stone Hall (once known as the Spanish Chapel). Blueprints have been drawn up and once approved by the vestry, the project should go out to bid. This space, when completed will not only be a great gathering place for our youth, but also for various groups who meet there throughout the week

I would like to thank our Property Committee members, Nan Brown, Bob Frank, Grace Henshaw, Doug Kelley, Cheri Potter, Nancy Reale and Ed Rubel. I would also like to thank Dave McEntee and Jim D'Angelo for all the help they have given me in overseeing the various project and maintaining all of our buildings.

~ Bob Potter, Property Manager

## Mission and Ministry Opportunities

### Acolytes

A ministry of worship leadership that assists before, during, and after Services. Participate as Crucifer, torchbearer, or Altar server. For more information, contact The Rev. Jay Burkardt at (585) 271-2240 or [jburkardt@stpaulsec.org](mailto:jburkardt@stpaulsec.org).

### Altar Guild

A ministry of worship leadership and hospitality that prepares, arranges for, and cleans up after, worship services. Training and companionship guaranteed. For more information, contact Jackie Barnes at (585) 436-5104 or [barnesj@rochester.rr.com](mailto:barnesj@rochester.rr.com) or June Talarico at (585) 319-5485 or [jtalarico1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jtalarico1@rochester.rr.com).

### Altar Flower Donations

Flower donations are a way not only for you to participate in enhancing the beauty of our worship space, but they provide an opportunity for the parish to join in honoring the memory or occasion. For more information, contact Nancy Andrus at (585) 663-2078 or [nandrus002@rochester.rr.com](mailto:nandrus002@rochester.rr.com).

### Altar Flower Delivery

A ministry of pastoral care that delivers arrangements of Altar Flowers to shut-in and hospitalized parishioners after the 10:00am Sunday Eucharist. For more information, contact Liz Litwiller at (585) 244-5459 or [bobandlizlit@yahoo.com](mailto:bobandlizlit@yahoo.com).

### Caring Ministries

Members engage in a ministry of caring by visiting, bringing Communion, and/ or bringing meals to their fellow parishioners who are ill, grieving, and/or lonely. You may also be involved in offering healing prayers at services. Contact Deacon Sue Ouellette at (585) 271-2240 or [souellette@stpaulsec.org](mailto:souellette@stpaulsec.org).

### Choirs

St. Paul's has three choirs: the **St. Paul's Choir**, the **St. Paul's Ringers** (Bell Choir), and the **Choristers**. The St. Paul's Choir sings each Sunday and rehearses on Wednesday evenings; the Bell Choir rings regularly throughout the year and rehearses on Thursday evenings; and the newly revised Chorister program rehearses at 11:30am most Sundays during the program year. For more information, contact Dr. Robert Poovey at (585) 271-2240 or [rpoovey@stpaulsec.org](mailto:rpoovey@stpaulsec.org).

### Greeters

This ministry of hospitality is dedicated to the belief that a smile and cheerful greeting should be the first thing a person encounters upon entering St. Paul's. A key ministry element is followup after the service. Greeters introduce visitors to the clergy after the service and invite them to the coffee hour. For more information, contact Anne and Stan Refermat at (585) 385-3097 or [srefermat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:srefermat@rochester.rr.com) or [arefermat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:arefermat@rochester.rr.com).

## Healing Prayer Ministry

Healing prayers are offered at the 8:00 and 10:00 am services on Sunday and at the Wednesday noon service. If you are interested in learning more about how you can become a healing prayer minister, please contact Deacon Sue Ouellette at (585) 271-2240 or [souellette@stpaulsec.org](mailto:souellette@stpaulsec.org).

## Lay Eucharistic Ministers

A worship ministry that assists in the administration of the consecrated bread and wine at any celebration of the Eucharist. For more information, contact Angie Jones at (585) 442-8177 or [angie818jones@gmail.com](mailto:angie818jones@gmail.com).

## Lectors

Lectors read the lessons, psalms, and prayers during all worship services throughout the year, including holidays. Instruction provided. For more information about this worship ministry, contact Tim Dewart, 8am Coordinator, at (585) 455-3528 or [tcdewa@yahoo.com](mailto:tcdewa@yahoo.com); or, Erin Glanton, 10am Coordinator, at (585) 953-1509 or [glanton1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:glanton1@rochester.rr.com).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

A ministry of pastoral care, volunteers make Prayer Shawls, lap robes, newborn blankets to be given to those experiencing health issues or other stressful situations, or in thanksgiving for a special occasion. Patterns provided as needed. For more information, contact Judy Carpenter at (585) 750-7613 or [jcarpenter002@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jcarpenter002@rochester.rr.com).

## RAIHN at Paul's Place

This ministry of hospitality provides a safe place, meals and support for families experiencing a housing crisis as part of the Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network. Many different tasks are needed each week we house our guests. For more information, contact Judy McGrath at (585) 738-3368 or [jpmcgrath@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jpmcgrath@rochester.rr.com) or Bill Moore at 315-398-1849 or [wmoore@rochester.rr.com](mailto:wmoore@rochester.rr.com).

## School #9 Tutoring

An outreach ministry now in its 21<sup>st</sup> year, volunteers can read with young children and help in the library at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School on North Clinton Ave. An average commitment is 90 minutes once a week from October through May. For more information, contact Paula Valeri at (585) 748-7048 or [pdvaleri@gmail.com](mailto:pdvaleri@gmail.com).

## St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Participants in this outreach ministry prepare, cook, serve and clean up a meal on the first Saturday of each month at St Joe's House on South Avenue. The time commitment is usually from 9:45am to 12:45pm. For more information, contact Meredith Halter at (585) 615-2058 or at [mhalter@rochester.rr.com](mailto:mhalter@rochester.rr.com).

## St. Paul's Child Care Center

St. Paul's Child Care Center is a non-denominational, not-for-profit, Pathways accredited program providing quality care for families with children ages 8 weeks to 5 years old. It also offers a Universal Pre-K curriculum through the RCSD. Founded in 1989, it is our longest continuous running outreach mission. Volunteers are always welcome. For more information, contact Rita Lancy, Board President, at (585) 281-7507 or [ritalancy1530@gmail.com](mailto:ritalancy1530@gmail.com) or Michelle Mousseau, Executive Director, at (585) 244-4527 or [mmousseaustpcc@yahoo.com](mailto:mmousseaustpcc@yahoo.com).

## Ushers

Welcome people, distribute bulletins, and assist during Sunday and special Services throughout the year. For more information about this ministry of hospitality, contact Jennifer and Phil Bleecker at (585) 729-8075 or [jenmar1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jenmar1@rochester.rr.com).

## Youth Group

The Youth Group of St Paul's is an opportunity for the young people of the church, grades 6-12, to gather for fellowship, Bible study, mission and outreach, meals, games, other opportunities to share and learn about their faith with one another. Meeting twice a month, the youth are encouraged to develop and plan their activities and discussions while also being prepared to participate in the life of the parish. The congregation is encouraged to support this ministry by providing meals at the meetings and chaperoning meetings and outings. For more information or to volunteer, contact the Rev. Jay Burkardt (585.271.2240 or [jburkardt@stpaulsec.org](mailto:jburkardt@stpaulsec.org)).



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## A Prayer for St. Paul's

O God, our heavenly Father, make the door of St. Paul's Church wide enough to receive all who need love and fellowship and loving care, and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and uncharitableness. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, but strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. O heavenly Father, make the door of St. Paul's a gateway to your eternal kingdom; bless every member and worker; may all that we do and say be done and said to your honor and glory and the spreading of your kingdom. May we continue to be forever yours and daily increase through the Holy Spirit in love and service to others; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*