
ANNUAL PARISH REPORT



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, supportive, and program-enabling.

Record of Services

January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022

Total Sunday Services	125	Baptisms	4
Weekday Services	118	Receptions	-
		Confirmations	-
Average Sunday Attendance	143*	Marriages	5
Total Attendance	10,015*	Burials	11

*Includes Live-Stream

A Note from the Rector

The Reverend Robert Picken

January 29, 2023

Blessed are the poor in spirit...those who mourn... the meek... those who strive for what is right... the merciful...the pure in heart... the peacemakers... the persecuted... you, for yours will be the fullness of God's reign of love. (from MT 5:1-12)

Dear Friends,

As part of his "Sermon on the Mount," Jesus gave his disciples, and us, the Beatitudes. In the Beatitudes, we find the most succinct account of what it means to be Christian.

As followers of Jesus today, the Beatitudes can be our guideposts. The Rev. Sam Wells, Vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields in London (UK) and highly-regarded contemporary theologian, says, "The beatitudes are a description of Jesus in his cross and in his resurrection." For Wells, Christian life is "dwelling the comma" between the cross and resurrection, between the then of Jesus' life and the future fullness of the kingdom of God. This Annual Report describes how we "dwelled in the comma" last year.

As 2022 went on, a "return to normalcy" was realized more and more. This welcome change was felt deeply by our staff! St. Paul's Church has a tremendous team of employees deeply devoted to their areas and their roles in the bigger picture. I am grateful to them all!

You should know just how truly blessed this parish is to have the lay leaders we do in our Wardens, Vestry, Treasurer, and Clerk. I am especially thankful to Andrew Welker and Al Zenner, who have completed their terms of service. I am also continually inspired by those lay leaders who engage the work of the College for Congregational Development: Erin Glanton, Julie Gedro, Nancy Grear, Mara Hazard-Wallingford, Ingrid Stanlis, and Kevin Frisch.

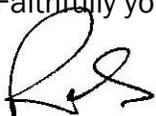
Last but not least, I am grateful to you, our faithful parishioners. First, you afforded me the opportunity to take some sabbatical time last summer; the chance to rest and reflect helped my ministry in many ways. Second, and most importantly, you remain committed to our parish, each other, and the mission of the Church. Thank you!

Outside of my parish ministry in 2023, I will continue to serve on the Boards of Rural and Migrant Ministry and Episcopal Senior Life Communities, and I am again scheduled to serve as an adjunct professor at Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School (CRCDS) in the Fall. These are all richly rewarding and invigorating experiences for me and all help extend the reach of our parish.

Reports like these are designed to look backward and I find it inspiring to how we lived "in the comma." I have great hope for the future of St. Paul's Church. We are a blessed and faithful community with many, many wonderful resources to assist God in the transformation of the world. I look forward to seeing how we will strive to work with God in 2023.

As always, I remain,

Faithfully yours in Christ,



Wardens' Report

Dear Parishioners:

We would like to begin by thanking our rector, the Reverend Rob Picken. Rob has demonstrated remarkable dedication to St. Paul's. He has effectively led our valued clergy, talented staff, and faithful parishioners. He has excelled at both the sacred and the secular parts of his calling, all while maintaining a sense of humor and a sense of proportion. We'd like to give Rob a very hearty "well done!" for all he has individually accomplished and all he has helped the entire parish to achieve.

While there are many accomplishments we could cite, we'd like to focus on some of the ways in which St. Paul's has benefitted from our rich engagement in the College for Congregational Development. We are still rather early on this journey of learning and development, but we already have an awareness of our commonality of purpose and direction at St. Paul's. This, coupled with our collective relief at being once again able to worship and work together in person, has resulted in a stronger feeling of community among parishioners. Rob championed the idea that St. Paul's should invite multiple parishioners to enroll and participate in the College, and from everything we can tell, the benefits stemming from that participation are taking root.

We would also like to thank our Vestry for all the work that has been done this past year. Thank you to the Class of 2022, Class of 2023, Class and of 2024. It was wonderful to be able to meet in person, where discussions are notably more interactive than they can be on Zoom. It is a joy to work with a group of people that bring their diverse and considerable talents to bear on the common goal of ensuring that St. Paul's remains a vibrant and inclusive community.

In particular, we would like to thank the Vestry for committing to renewed hospitality at St. Paul's, and for a successful re-launch of in-person gatherings around food, conversation, and fellowship. As a parish, we have been blessed by several gatherings this past year, with more to come in the new year. Like the Vestry gathering in person, the parish in-person gatherings have been a delight.

And finally, we would like to thank all the parishioners of St. Paul's, for being a part of this beloved community. Someone from another parish said to Ingrid recently that a handful of people do all the work at his church. That is not us! It is truly remarkable how many of us participate in one or more ministries at St. Paul's, behind the scenes and out front, in leadership and in support roles. So, to all the people of St. Paul's, a very hearty "well done" for your accomplishments this past year.

Respectfully submitted to our entire community,

~ Erin Glanton and Ingrid Stanlis, Wardens

Assistant Rector's Report

I continue to be grateful and blessed to serve among the congregation of St Paul's, and all of the opportunities I have had over the past 7 years. Thank you to all of you who have been so willing and generous in our mutual ministries together.

The past year saw the Youth Group of St Paul's return to regular gatherings on the first and third Sundays of the month during the academic year. We have had some great conversations about faith and the Church, raucous games, and a healthy dose of silliness as well. Early in 2022, the youth decided to donate a significant portion of their recent (December 2021) Pasta Dinner Fundraiser proceeds to the youth program of Rural and Migrant Ministry. The rest of the proceeds were divided between the Youth Group's own mission and outreach fund as well as the general fund for the group.

After a take-home pasta dinner the year before this year's parish dinner saw us offering a Chipotle-style Taco Bar for a sit-down meal. As of this writing, we have not yet designated where a portion of the proceeds will be given, but that will be decided early in the new year. This reflects an important practice among the youth of tithing a portion of what they bring in towards a local outreach organization. It is always such fun to watch them working hard to prepare and serve the food, as well as to listen to their conversations about whom we can support with our outreach.

We continue to gather in the recently refurbished Youth Room off of Stone Hall. It is a great space for the youth the call their own, and I am grateful for all the generosity that went into providing the space for us. We average about 5-6 youth at each gathering, with 10 or more individual youth in grades 6-12 attending at some point. They are encouraged to bring friends and this fall one of the youth families has done exactly that, helping to grow the Youth Group by inviting another family to join in!

In addition to the Youth Group, I continued to help oversee the Memorial Scholarships. Together with Duane Swanson, this past year we awarded 7 scholarships to students studying from as close by as Brockport and as far off as Eastern Europe!

Our worship ministries have continued to return as more and more people have returned to in-person worship. I have spent time working to restart the acolytes for Sunday morning worship as well as working with Stan and Anne Refermat and Jennifer Bleecker to recombine and restart the ushers and greeters ministries. They continue to be a vital part of our Sunday mornings together, and it is nice to see so many of the ministries returning.

Celebrating our 125th year in our current church building was a great opportunity to celebrate with everybody. A sense of pride, community, gratitude, and faith was heavy in the air that afternoon and evening. It is such an honor to be a part of the rich tradition and history of St. Paul's, and I look forward to continuing to celebrate all of our personal and congregational milestones together.

~ The Rev. Jay Burkardt

Outreach Council

Of the many Outreach Ministries offered by St. Paul's, it can be said that the Outreach Council has the broadest and maybe the largest impact on the Rochester community.

The Outreach Council is unique in that it provides monetary gifts in support of philanthropic and humanitarian organizations in the local and wider community, especially to those that exemplify our values of *Supporting Youth, Feeding the Hungry, and Providing Housing for All*.

The Outreach Council is an example of "God at work" through St. Paul's in the Rochester community.

- In 2022 the Council had a budget of \$28,500.
- The Council meets on the 3rd Monday of the month to discuss gift requests.
- With a simple voucher, it gives up to \$5000 per request.
- The Outreach Council has accomplished its mission in all areas by giving substantial gifts to "The Boys & Girls Club of Rochester", "Meals on Wheels," "City Roots Community Land Trust," "Rural and Migrant Ministries," "Eastern Service Workers" "Mothers in Need of Others," and several others.
- Recently the Outreach Council matched the congregation's contribution to the Episcopal Relief and Development hurricane fund.

Council members monitor and get feedback from the organizations that are supported. We receive thank you notes and get testimonials by inviting recipients to speak at our meetings, forums, and at our worship service.

Looking Ahead

- The Council spent its total budget for 2022.
- For 2023 we will be considering a significant gift request from "Family Promise," formally RAIHN.
- The Outreach Council continues to be a very outwardly visible sign of St. Paul's presence in the greater Rochester community.
- We would like to invite gift recipients to speak at our coffee hour and at our worship service. RMM Rev. Richard Witt, preached at a service, ESWA Ben Lee will be invited to speak at a Forum, and Nancy Frank/Kim Hunt- Uzelac will be invited to speak about Family Promise at an Outreach Council meeting.
- The Council would also like to offer "time and talent" to organizations, not just dollars.
- The Council is comprised of five (5) Parishioners, two (2) Vestry members, and one (1) Clergy.
- However, we the congregation, are all part of "Outreach" even if we are not on the Committee.
- We can all bring requests to members of the Council for consideration.

Current Outreach Council Members

Nancy Curtis, Mary Pietrzykowski, Judy Wadsworth, Merideth Smith, Chari Krenis (*Vestry*), Kevin Frisch (*Vestry*), Sue Ouellette (*Clergy, Vestry Liaison*), Tim Dewart (*Term end*), Floyd Bayley (*Term end*)

~ Floyd Bayley, Chairperson

Children, Youth, and Family Formation

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. – Joshua 1:9

Our St. Paul's Sunday school class continues to joyfully welcome all children in preschool through 5th grade! Each Sunday morning during the school year, we gather in the Children's Chapel room upstairs, just down the hall from the nursery.

Our nursery is available to all baby and toddlers for our 10:15 service and during special events/holidays, and our care givers (Dorrie and Candace) continue to serve our families each week. The ladies have been quite busy with little babies this fall!

We are in the 2nd year of the 10 am start time, which was a positive change last year. The time allows for the teacher to greet families and if children are new, to be introduced to their teacher and fellow classmates. It also provides children the opportunity to be actively engaged in more of the church service, as they are rejoining their families earlier. It's been a positive balance of classroom and sanctuary for all. Each Sunday can have a wide range of students, both in age and numbers, and our older students act as positive role models for the younger ones.

During our 45-50 minute class, we introduce our story for the day by coloring a large picture based on the day's bible verses and talk about what we see and what we think is happening. This soft opening to class allows students to arrive and settle in without missing key components. For a well-rounded story experience, we do a variety of activities. We look up bible verses, read the storybook version, ponder questions, and watch short video versions to help their understanding. With games, songs, crafts, and snack time, our classroom is filled with faith-based fun and the children build strong bonds of friendship together. We always end in prayer and talk about how we can put our lessons into action at school and home.

To assure children know they are always welcome in the sanctuary, we've added new bible story books for lower and upper elementary to the sanctuary pews, and we are looking to add more this year, giving each pew at least one book. Each week, a children's worship bulletin is available at each entrance door, along with crayons to use/keep. The bulletin follows the lectionary, offering activities and coloring based on the weekly scripture.

Outside the classroom and sanctuary, we offer fellowship time for families during our annual Halloween party (games, lunch, crafts, and decorations) and look to do similar events in the spring. Take-home activity bags for each family are offered for Advent and Lent, which helps children and parents continue to grow their faith at home.

Staying in touch with families is important, and weekly emails are sent out with class updates, event happenings, and just simple reminders that St. Paul's is always here for their families!

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

Adult Faith Formation

This year we have worked to bring the conversation back to the Adult Formation programs. While on Zoom during the pandemic, we had gotten into the format of lecturing, followed by questions and answers. This eliminated the great conversations in the room that we had before the pandemic. After trying a few different formats, we now do audio recordings of the sessions so that those who are unable to attend can hear the conversation, and this allows those in the room to fully participate with each other.

Formation still uses Zoom for specific gatherings such as the Monday Night Book Group. This allows those who need to travel to join us for the conversation.

2022 programming:

January 9 and 16: The Life and Rule of St. Benedict

February 6, 13, 20, 27: Look at the Old Testament Readings in the Lenten Lectionary

March 6 - April 3rd: Bible Study of the Lectionary Readings

May 1 - 22: Topics from The New Church Teaching Series

Summer: 8-week Bible Study using the Lectionary

September 18 and 25: A People Called Episcopalians

October 9: Paul and Human Sexuality

October 16 - 30: The Other Epistles

November 13 and 20: The Oxford Movement

December 4 - 18: Sermons of Rabbi David Ingber from Chautauqua

Book Groups:

Spring: The Fullness of Time: Jesus Christ, Science and, Modernity by Kara N. Slade

Lent: How to Keep a Spiritual Journal: A Guide to Journal Keeping for Inner Growth and Personal Discovery by Ronald Klug

Fall: Constantine's Sword: The Church and the Jews by James Carroll and Sacred Earth Sacred Soul by John Philip Newell

~ Nancy Gear, Director, Adult Faith Formation

Music Director's Report

2022 was substantially the first "normal" music season since 2019, and a great relief that was! Except for a few weeks early in the year (thanks to COVID variants), the choirs have been able to sing and ring unmasked. Though there have been some COVID- and other illness-related absences from the choirs, the groups have been remarkably healthy, and when anyone has felt unwell they have either signed out or worn a mask.

Here are the highlights of our 2022 season:

- We were at long last able to welcome our new Organ Scholar, Augustine Sobeng, in February;
- I was honored that the parish celebrated my 15 years of service with a special reception in June;
- in the fall, we welcomed Merideth Smith back to the St. Paul's Choir;
- we welcomed new staff singer Catherine Creed; and bid farewell to Cassie Zinkan and Karen Goldfeder;
- we welcomed two new Choristers, Henry and Adhar, bringing our number to seven;
- we welcomed Gordon Porth to the St. Paul's Ringers;
- we offered two events to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the restoration of our Skinner Organ; the first was the opening concert of the 14th season of "If Music Be the Food," and featured Robert Poovey at the organ, Demian Spindler on trumpet, and Gordon Porth and Howard Spindler on piano; the second was a marvelous solo recital by Dallas Symphony Organist Bradley Welch,
- and finally, we offered our annual Festival of Lessons and Carols on Dec. 18.

On a personal note, I was invited to be the Music Director for the Carolina Course for Girls and Adults, sponsored by the Royal School of Church Music in America, and held at Duke University. Making music with those wonderful musicians for that week in hot, hot July was a mountain-top experience. If anyone is interested in listening to the services, they are archived on the Duke Chapel website. The date was July 18th, and both the morning service and Evensong are there.

And, in November I played a solo organ recital at First Congregational Church in Columbus, Ohio. This church has two marvelous instruments, and I played both of them.

In all, it was a decently busy and fulfilling year! Looking into 2023, I am very much hoping to resume offering Choral Evensong as well as occasional "major works," either in the context of our regular Sunday morning service, or as a special event.

I close with this every year, and I'll say it again for the 16th time: It is a privilege to serve this amazing parish! St. Paul's has the best staff and congregation anywhere...trust me on this.

~ Dr. Robert Poovey, Director of Music

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 that turned 125 years in 2022. The following is a list of items that have been completed or are in progress.

- For the safety of our parishioners, Childcare, and, community, one of our 100+-year-old Beech trees had to be removed. Despite, our efforts to save the one over the past few years.
- We contracted with Pike Stained Glass to clean and repair the Ascension and, Samaritan windows in the Chantry. The Ascension window is complete. New plexiglass storms were also installed on the exterior of the window. The Samaritan window is approximately 90% complete and should be installed soon.
- Repairs were made to the parking lot. It was also sealed and striped.
- The smoke detection system in the sanctuary has been upgraded with new smoke detectors. The removed detectors were over 20 years old.
- The large project for the year was our new boiler. Vestry approved and accepted the bid from Keron Industrial to furnish and install the new boiler. We had two 50+-year-old boilers, with one being beyond further repair. To prepare for the new boiler, the following needed to be completed:
 - Asbestos was abated from all piping.
 - New LED lighting was installed.
 - The unrepairable boiler was cut into pieces and then removed.
- After some logistical delays, the boiler arrived on January 5th. The boiler came in 11 sections and was assembled once in the boiler room. We are approximately 2 weeks from the installation being completed. Once complete, the boiler will be inspected. At that point, it will become operational.
- Microphone and system upgrades were made to the sound system in the church.

- The Property committee has compiled a list of potential projects submitted to the Vestry for 2023. On that list are the following:
 - LED retrofit of the Sanctuary lighting with a digital control upgrade.
 - Air conditioning of the Parish Hall and Sanctuary.
 - Wooden fence repair/replacement.
 - Leveling of the stones in Paul's Cross.
 - Repairs to various meeting rooms.
 - And whatever this old building may throw at us throughout the year.

- I would like to thank our Property Committee members: Nan Brown, Bob Frank, Grace Henshaw, Doug Kelley, Ed Rubel, and Al Zenner. I would also like to thank Dave McEntee and Jim D'Angelo for all the help they have given me in overseeing the various projects and maintenance of our buildings. I would also like to welcome Bill Moore, as the incoming Property Chair.

~ Bob Potter, Property Manager

Parish Financials

2023 Financial Ministry Plan

(in thousands)

Summary Operational P&L *

(Thousand \$\$)

	2022 Actual	H/(L) 2021	H/(L) Budget	2023 Budget	H / (L) 2022
SUPPORT & REVENUE					
Pledges / Fees	371	(18)	1	359	(11)
Unpledged Contributions	33	10	13	27	(6)
Plate & Seasonal Offerings	9	4	4	8	(1)
Pledge, Plate & Contributions	412	(5)	18	394	(18)
Draw / Interest	584	56	(0)	589	5
'21 Draw Deferral	28	28	28	14	(14)
Trust Income	37	9	10	28	(9)
Rental Income	24	8	6	32	8
Restricted Funds' support "Flow-thru"	29	0	5	15	15
	8	8	5	23	(6)
TOTAL	1114	105	67	1095	(19)
EXPENSES					
Apportionment	160	(5)	0	162	1
In-Kind Outreach	32	2	1	31	(1)
Sub-total	192	(3)	1	193	1
Programs & Parish Life	37	2	1	26	(11)
Clergy	262	5	(3)	270	8
Property	216	10	8	215	(1)
Maintenance Reserve	(1)	11	0	0	1
Music	130	20	4	132	2
Administration	234	50	7	273	39
Uncollectible Pledges	15	4	4	15	0
"Flow-thru"	30	9	2	24	(6)
Unassigned Task			44	(53)	(53)
TOTAL	1115	107	68	1095	87
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(1)	(2)	(1)	0	1

* **Unaudited**; reflects only the Operational financials

Non-Operational Revenue, Expenses, and Investments

- **Portfolio Results:** Dividends , Interest, and Realized Gains of \$590K more than offset by Unrealized Losses of (\$2,910K)
- **Bequests & Donations:** \$10K bequests, \$59K gifts restricted to capital projects, and \$49K other restricted donations
- **Mission/Outreach:** over \$133K in total RDF gifts \$85K (including Outreach Committee), parish and special events \$17K, scholarships \$28K
- **Projects:** funded over \$100K incl. sanctuary floor, organ pipe restoration, sanctuary smoke/fire detectors, phone buy-out, tree removal, refrigerator, driveway

Parish Financials
Unaudited Balance Sheet
(in thousands)

Summary Balance Sheet (Thousand \$\$)

	<u>Year-end 2021</u>	<u>Year-end 2022*</u>	<u>2022 H/(L) 2021</u>
ASSETS			
Checking / Savings / ML account	\$ 694	\$ 590	\$ (104)
Current Capital, Maintenance & General Reserves	349	306	(43)
Investments	15,390	12,502	(2,888)
Long Term Capital Reserve	771	659	(112)
Receivables / Other Current Assets	11	7	(4)
Prepaid Expenses	22	28	6
Net Fixed Assets	1,890	2,124	234
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 19,127</u>	<u>\$ 16,216</u>	<u>\$ (2,911)</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Current Liabilities	44	164	120
Long Term Payables	30	15	(15)
Equity / Fund Balances			
Operating Fund	278	227	(51)
Vestry Designated Funds	10,001	8,230	(1,771)
Restricted Funds	303	251	(52)
Endowment Fund	6,585	5,349	(1,237)
Plant Fund	1,886	1,981	94
Total Equity / Fund Balances	<u>\$ 19,053</u>	<u>\$ 16,037</u>	<u>\$ (3,017)</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES / EQUITY	<u>\$ 19,127</u>	<u>\$ 16,216</u>	<u>\$ (2,911)</u>

* Unaudited; subject to change during year-end clearing process and financial audit

Mission and Ministry Opportunities

Worship

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.

Altar Guild

A ministry of worship leadership and hospitality that prepares, arranges for and cleans up after, worship services. Training and companionship are guaranteed. For more information, contact Jackie Barnes at (585) 436-5104 or barnesi@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.

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 11:30 am most Sundays during the program year. For more information, contact Dr. Robert Poovey at (585) 271-2240 or rpoovey@stpaulsec.org.

Healing Prayer Ministry

Healing prayers are offered at the 8:00 and 10:15 am services on Sunday monthly. 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.

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.

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, 8 am Coordinator, at (585) 455-3528 or tcdewa@yahoo.com; or, Erin Glanton, 10 am Coordinator, at (585) 953-1509 or gglanton1@rochester.rr.com.

Ushers

A ministry of hospitality, Ushers welcome people, distribute bulletins, and assist during Sunday and Special Services throughout the year. For more information, contact Jennifer and Phil Bleecker at (585) 729-8075 or jen.bleck2@gmail.com.

Faith in Action

Lay Weeders

From the late Spring to early Fall, a dedicated group of volunteers work to keep our grounds looking well-kept and seasonal. All experience levels welcomed! For more information, contact Judy McGrath at jpmcgrath@rochester.rr.com.

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality

Participants in this outreach ministry prepare meals on the first Saturday of each month at St Joe's House on South Avenue. For more information, contact Meredith Halter at (585) 615-2058 or at 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. Volunteers are always welcome. For more information, contact Brent Johnson, Board President, at brent_a_johnson@me.com.

Life in Community

Altar Flower Delivery

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

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

An extension of our worship ministry, Eucharistic Visitors bring Communion to those who cannot attend Eucharist in person. Some training is required. For more information, contact The Rev. Rob Picken at (585) 271-2240 or rpicken@stpaulsec.org.

Needle Arts Ministry

A ministry of pastoral care, volunteers make Prayer Shawls, lap robes, and newborn blankets to be given to those experiencing health issues or other stressful situations, or in thanksgiving for a special occasion. Patterns are provided as needed. For more information, contact Nancy Gear at nancy.gear@gmail.com

St. Paul's Cares

Members engage in a ministry of caring by visiting and/ or bringing meals to their fellow parishioners who are ill, grieving, and/or lonely. Contact Deacon Sue Ouellette at (585) 271-2240 or souellette@stpaulsec.org.

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, and 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 jb Burkardt@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*