

# St. Paul's by-the-Sea

## *Weekly news & updates*

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January 16, 2021

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### **Sunday Services**

Our Vestry has decided to keep the church closed through January 31st, with services being streamed live to our Facebook page every Sunday morning at 10 am.

The growing COVID 19 positivity rate in Worcester County dictates caution, making the health and well being of our congregation the priority.

This Sunday, January 17th at 10 am, our lay worship leaders, Paul Rogers, Amy Rothermel, and Tom and Debbie Shuster, will lead a Rite II Morning Prayer service. Shirley Hailey will also be present to enliven our worship with music! **[Click here](#)** for a PDF version of the bulletin so you can follow along.

Next Sunday, January 24th, Fr. Knapp will return to celebrate a Holy Eucharist service.

To view last Sunday's Holy Eucharist service, **[click here](#)**.

*Don't forget to follow us on Facebook so you will receive notifications when we are live and when a post has been added. Click the Facebook icon below.*

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### **Mark Your Calendar**

The date for our 2021 Annual Parish Meeting is Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm via Zoom. There is so much to discuss as we review 2020 activities and look to the future. Please plan to attend! If you are not comfortable using Zoom please let us know now. We have plenty of time to give you the assistance/instruction you may need to use the program and participate in the meeting.

Committee chairs this gives you three weeks to get your annual reports to Don so he can get the booklet together. The deadline for reports is February 8<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, February 12th, the report booklet will be emailed to everyone, as well as available at the church office for those who would like to pick up a copy.

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### **Tell Me Something Good**

**An Offering from The National Episcopal Church**

"Tell Me Something Good" is a show that seeks, names and celebrates Jesus' loving presence in the stories of people from all over The Episcopal Church, and invites everyone to MORE! There are five episodes on **[The Episcopal Church's website](#)** and the newest episode launches this Tuesday, January 19.

On each episode, you can expect to hear the Good News of God's great love from the

perspective of farmers and mothers, pie-bakers and Sunday School teachers. Sharing the stories of how God is showing up in extraordinary and ordinary ways, guests from around The Episcopal Church chat with hosts Jerusalem Greer and Marcus Halley, exploring the themes of hope, curiosity, and innovation in their ministries and their lives.

There are new episodes twice monthly which can be found on [The Episcopal Church's website](#) and on their [Facebook page](#).

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## 2021 Offering Envelopes

The 2021 offering envelopes are in the church office for you to pick up. *Please call ahead to be sure the office is open 410-289-3453.* Mailing the envelopes is cost prohibitive, so if you are unable to pick them up, please let us know and we will figure out a way to get them to you.

Please also be aware that we have the ability to give online. Simply go to the church website and click the "GIVE" button in the upper right hand corner of the homepage.

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## SPBTS Book Club

The next meeting of the St. Paul's by-the-Sea Book Club is this Thursday, January 21 and we will be discussing *Ordinary Grace*, by William Kent Krueger. The discussion will be led by Diane Lorton and Chris Stockett.

Please consider joining us for one or all meetings! It is your responsibility to procure the book. We meet one Thursday a month at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom.

## Memorial Brick Sale

Memorial bricks are being offered for sale. They are available in two sizes: 8x8 (\$500 each) and 4 x 8 (\$250 each) Wording is of your choice, and graphics are available.

If you are interested in ordering a brick to honor or remember a beloved one, [click here](#) to download a brick form. You can also contact Debbie Shuster at 410-213-9658 or [ocshu@comcast.net](mailto:ocshu@comcast.net), or the church office at 410-289-3453 or [office@stpaulsbythesea.org](mailto:office@stpaulsbythesea.org).

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## Birthdays

1/17 Megan Smith Kennedy  
1/20 Dan Harris  
1/23 JeriLyn Holston Andrews

## Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We give thanks for the witness of God's people at St. Peter's, Salisbury, and for their Rector, the Rev. David Michaud, and his spouse, Kelli, and for their Asst. Rector, Adele Hatfield, and her husband, Chuck, and for their Deacon, the Rev. Laura McCarthy.

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[Click here to view the Parish Calendar](#)

