

PARISH PRAYER REQUESTS

**** Please select a group of names to pray for and feel free to pray for them at home. ****
Call the parish office if you would like a name to be placed on the prayer list. The names will be removed after three months, unless otherwise notified.

<i>Christy, Ryan & family, Bob, Donald, James, Adele, Carol, Carrie, Katie, Story & family, Mike R., Sharon, and Blake</i>	<i>Victor, Nate, Priscilla, Diane, Carolyn B., Joan, Lisa, Briana & family, Jessica, Kathleen, Don T., Caroline, Ellen, and Izzy</i>	<i>Anuja & family, Kevin, Kate, Nancy, Marcia, Rick, Carla, Michael, Normand, Ernest, Angie, Judy, and Elizabeth S.</i>
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Pray for Anderson, Cameron, Ami, Ethan, Peter, and all in the military.

From the Episcopal Diocese of Maine Cycle of Prayers:

For all who labor and work and for all who seek the dignity of
meaningful employment

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Check out our website for more details! **www.stpaulsmaine.org**
Also on our website are the instructions for electronic giving. Please consider enrolling for a convenient way to provide consistent financial support to the church.

Sunday, August 30, The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 Quiet Eucharist in the Nave
9:30 Life Together Eucharist in the Great Hall
After worship End of Summer Church Picnic

Next Sunday, September 6, The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

The Start of the Season of Creation

(September 6th - October 11th)

8:00 Celtic Morning Prayer in the Nave
9:30 Life Together Eucharist in the Nave
After worship Fellowship in the Great Hall
Earth Care chat on Solar with Dana Baer

The Livestream of the services in the Nave can be found at **www.stpaulsmaine.org**

Church Picnic with our guests from Good Shephard

We have invited the wonderful people at Good Shephard to join us for our 2026 summer picnic! Join us all for celebration and fellowship as we wrap up a summer of fun and connection.

This gathering will take place following 9:30am Life Together Worship in the Great Hall.

Hosted by: The Scott Family

RSVP to help us know who to expect



As Christians, we believe that every human being is a beloved child of God. And yet, we can all see the painful racial disparities that exist around us. We might ask ourselves: How have we gotten here? What hope is there for a better future? How do we even begin to talk about such a challenging topic? The Sacred Ground program helps us to answer these questions. It is centered around shared learning, relationship-building dialogue, and spiritual reflection. None of us have it all "figured out"; we are simply grappling together with our history and dreaming of a different way forward. A way full of God's healing, love, and justice.

St. Paul's will launch several Sacred Ground circles within the congregation this fall, using the updated curriculum from The Episcopal Church. Circles are led through the 11-session journey by trained facilitators, discussing powerful films and readings in the context of faith. Whether you have engaged with a previous version of Sacred Ground or are totally new to the conversation, you are welcome here. Please reach out with any questions. We hope you will join us.

Register using this link (also found in the Friday email):
<https://stpaulsmaine.breezechms.com/form/sacredground>

These days most of us get tons of weekly emails and it can be hard to keep track of everything going on. So.... St. Paul's is introducing community texts! This will be a quick and brief way for us to share info about upcoming events, special announcements, reminders, and more!

<https://stpaulsmaine.breezechms.com/form/OK2Text>

**SIGN UP TO RECEIVE
TEXT MESSAGES**



Earth Care: Solar

September 6th following our combined Life Together service Dana Baer will make a presentation on Solar Energy options for your home, part of our series of events **celebrating the Season of Creation**. Make sure to save the date for our other upcoming Earth Care presentations:



- ➔ **September 20th, following the 10:30 service** – Green Cleaning with Pam Park
- ➔ **September 26th, Saturday morning 9-10:30** – Electric and Hybrid cars – come learn about and see! Donuts and coffee for all attendees.
- ➔ **October 11th, at noon following worship**: Join Matthew for a Nature Hike.

Calling All Canners! The Country Store is ready for your donations.



Are you canning or otherwise processing some of summer's bounty? If so, would you consider putting up a little extra for the Country Store table of the Christmas Fair? We can take anything from **canned or dried goods to candied or spiced nuts**. All of them are popular items! We have some jams and jellies and pickles already, but we regularly sell out, so **all donations are welcome!** We are also accepting donations of pet equipment--the sorts of things pet owners need for tending to their pets. (Not animal decorations.) Thanks for helping to stock the Country Store!

Courage is Contagious

Courage is Contagious Fellowship Meals and Book Discussion, three Mondays: **September 21st, 28th and October 5th, 5:30 to 7 PM** in the Great Hall.

On October 8th Bishop Marianne Budde will be speaking in Portland Maine, a fundraising event for the Maine Council of Churches. In anticipation of this special opportunity and to encourage community participation, we are hosting a short discussion series on her book ***“How We Learn to be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith.”*** Come join us for a simple meal at 5:30 PM in the Great Hall, to be followed by discussion from 6 to 7 PM.

Copies will be available in the office by **September 1st**. Elizabeth Davis will lead the discussion.



Sharing and Caring Support Group

Wednesday, September 2nd, 1:00 p.m. Sharing and Caring Support Group which offers support to caregivers and those living with grief will meet in the Great Hall. Please join us as we take time to share stories and conversation with each other. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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8:00 a.m. **Quiet Eucharist** in the Nave
9:30 a.m. **Life Together Eucharist** in the Great Hall
After worship **End of Summer Picnic**

Tuesday, September 1

10:00 a.m. **Holy Stickers** in the Old Nursery
12:30 p.m. **Bible Study** in the Library and on ZOOM
1:00 p.m. **Sharing the Gifts** in the Old Nursery

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 a.m. **Men's Group** in the Library
1:00 p.m. **Bible Study** in the Library
1:00 p.m. **Sharing & Caring** in the Great Hall
2:00 p.m. **Financial Review Committee** in the Library

Thursday, September 3

11:00 a.m. **Healing Worship** on Zoom
12:00 p.m. **Intercessory Prayer Group** on Zoom
2:00 p.m. **Women and Spirituality** in the Library

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8:00 a.m. **Celtic Morning Prayer** in the Nave and livestreamed at www.stpaulsmaine.org
9:30 a.m. **Life Together Eucharist** in the Great Hall
After worship **Fellowship** in the Great Hall
 Earth Care presentation on Solar by Dana Baer

Parish Office Hours

8:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Monday—Thursday

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