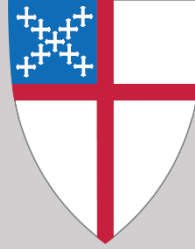


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Brian Hodges

2025, Warden

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2026, Clerk

Weldon Elrod

2026

Parish Life

Joe Porter

2027, Warden

Gwyneth Hawk

2026

Kathy Meyer

2025

Outreach

Carol Hunt

2027

Jane Belanus

2025

Tristan Simpson

2025

MAY CALENDAR

- Wednesday, May 1: * First Wednesday Potluck Supper 5:30 – 7 p.m.
- Thursday May 2: * PEO Bridge 1-3 p.m.
* Choir Practice 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 4: * Friends in Service to St. Paul's (FIST) 8:30 a.m.
* N.E. Convocation @ St. Aidan's Olathe 9 a.m.
- Sunday, May 5: * Worship Service 9:30 a.m. (Instructed Eucharist)
* Outreach Committee meeting 11:00 a.m.
* High School/Young Adult Gathering 5:00-7:00 p.m.
* PCC 10:00 a.m.
- Monday, May 6: * Baptismal Inquirers Instruction 5 p.m.
* Steadfast Stitchers 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 7: * Minster 6 p.m. @ St. Paul's Parish Hall
- Wednesday, May 8: * Happy Bookers 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 9: * Parish Life Committee 10:00 a.m.
* Choir Practice 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 11: * Community Meal 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- Sunday, May 12: * Worship Service 9:30 a.m. (Mother's Day/ Graduates)
- Monday, May 13: * Baptismal Inquirers Instruction 5 p.m.
* Grandparents@Prayer 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, May 14: * Steadfast Stitchers 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 15: * Men's Group @ the Depot 9 a.m.
- Thursday, May 16: * PEO Bridge 1-3 p.m.
* Choir Practice 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 18: * Men's Prayer Breakfast 8 a.m.
- Sunday, May 19: * Worship Service 9:30 a.m. (Pentecost, Baptism, Retirees)
* Vestry 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Monday, May 20: * Steadfast Stitchers 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 23: * Choir Practice 7 p.m.
- Sunday, May 26: * Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
- Monday, May 27: * Memorial Day – Church office closed
- Tuesday, May 28: * Steadfast Stitchers 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Saturday, June 1: * Friends In Service to St. Paul's (FIST) 8 a.m.
- Sunday, June 2: * Worship Service 9:30 a.m. (Hood Family Send Off)

From the Priest in Charge **Fr. Jere Hinson**

To the saints, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Northeast Kansas and Northwest Missouri: Grace and peace to you from God our Father! How wonderful it has been to continue our celebration of our risen Lord as we move from Easter towards Pentecost. As much as I love Easter, I think Pentecost is likely my favorite feast of the church year. For one thing the liturgical color is red which is my favorite color (and the primary color of my favorite baseball team—note that Pentecost always falls in baseball season!). But more importantly the Second Chapter of Acts, which is read on Pentecost, represents much of my thinking about what it means to be Church, to be the Body of Christ, and, most particularly, to be the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus Movement here in this place and time.

In the Creed we utter every Sunday we note that the Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son. The Spirit is thus characterized by movement (and oh how we Episcopalians like processions!). We see that especially at Pentecost when the coming of the Spirit moves the disciples, catches them up, and propels them into new adventures in ministry. They are emboldened and encouraged. They are exceedingly generous. They are given the ability to communicate the inner meaning of the Gospel to people at their point of need so they can understand it. There are signs and wonders showing the profound truth that behind the creation of the cosmos is love. And God adds to their number daily. Wow!

Highlighting the movement of the Spirit this May at St. Paul's you'll see a number of happenings focused on transitions. First Wednesday, 1 May, will feature Chad Senuta and the Reverend Karen Schlabach from the diocese to talk with us about youth and young adult ministry. Sunday, 5 May, 5pm, high schooler and young adults are invited to the parish hall for a conversation with me about what we might create here at St. Paul's for them to grow. 5 May our worship will feature an instructed eucharist with the sermon focused on better understanding our corporate way of prayer. Our baptism and inquirer's class on Mondays continues, culminating in Christian Skaggs baptism on Pentecost Sunday, 19 May. I've been particularly moved by some of you partnering to accompany him on his faith journey. Thank you!

But that's not all! 12 May features not only Mother's Day, but also a day to recognize our graduates. 19 May we will also recognize parishioners who are completing their careers and entering new callings in the world of retirement. 19 May will also feature our vestry meeting at which I've asked Mark our organist and choir director to present a brief on organ refreshment so that we can not only better understand the costs to maintain our historic instrument, but also better understand the transformation of life that is enhanced by the music of our Sunday worship: the way we worship IS life changing!

Flipping forward one more month we will celebrate the Hood family as they change duty stations and head on to their next assignment. In June we'll also celebrate the ministry of our teachers and likely a rummage sale. More to follow. Peeking forward even further, in July we're even planning a VBS—see Jennifer Turner to find out more!

I continue to marvel at the way the Spirit is blowing through our common life here in Leavenworth. Together we trim the sails and give just a touch of rudder as God gives us course and speed into a bountiful future. I am so thankful to be with you on this voyage!

Faithfully, Jere+

May Birthdays

May 4 – Logan Berg

May 5 – Tanya Berg

May 6 – Henry Bochette

May 11 – Bruce Simpson

May 13 – Martha Bochette

May 18 – Bea Wardlow

May 26 – Laura Alexander

May 27 – Margaret Cartwright

May 28 – Kenneth Concannon

May 31 – Eleanor Haberland

May Anniversaries

May 2 – Helen & Ray Hartjen

May 27 – Ruth & Jere Hinson

May 28 – Jennifer & Adam Turner



Coffee Hour Helpers!

No child labor laws were broken! These two young ladies volunteered to help with clean up after Coffee Hour. Come join us for enjoyable conversation and community.

From the Sr. Warden

This month your Vestry decided to purchase two Zoll automated external defibrillator (AED) machines. One will replace the AED in the Parish House and the other will be for the Church itself. They will be purchased from the Church's Memorial Fund and you are welcome to donate funds to the Memorial Fund to help offset the cost. Lisa Masterson and Kathy Meyer did great work identifying these machines and coordinating with the American Red Cross for their purchase. The Vestry is also exploring the option of replacing the Parish House tables and chairs. Candy Dials is leading this effort and has identified candidate round tables and stacking metal chairs for purchase. She determined the Parish House will need fifteen tables, each with eight chairs apiece. The cost of a table and eight chairs is approximately \$1425 but the remaining renovation funds can only pay for five table and chair sets. The Vestry will discuss funding options during the May Vestry meeting and will identify opportunities for parishioners to help defray the cost. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas to make things better, please reach out to myself or the other Vestry members. Thanks - Brian Hodges, brianahodges46@gmail.com, (913) 775-0125.



HAPPY BOOKERS: Over the past two months, we have been looking at books dealing with fantastic young women who helped “smuggle” children and adults over the Pyrenees to save them from the Nazis in WWII. On May 8th, we will discuss The First Ladies by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray. This is another novel about the extraordinary partnership between First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt and civil rights activist Mary McLeod Bethune. A story of two different, yet equally formidable, passionate, and committed women, and the way their friendship helped form the foundation for the modern civil rights movement. Their unlikely friendship changed the world.

In June we will discuss The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store and also select readings for the next few months.

If you like to read or listen to books, then HAPPY BOOKERS is the place to be! Every month we read (or listen) to a certain book. Then, the on second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. we meet at the parish hall to discuss the reading, eat, drink and have a woman's night out. Even if you don't like to or have the time to read, come join us! You are certain to have a fun time!



FINAL ASSIGNMENT:

RETIREMENT PARTY!

AFTER 40 YEARS OF TEACHING AND SERVING AS AN
ADMINISTRATOR, LIDDELL HOBIN
IS RETIRING!

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE &
HONOR HER DEDICATION TO EDUCATION

FRIDAY • MAY 17 • 4-6PM

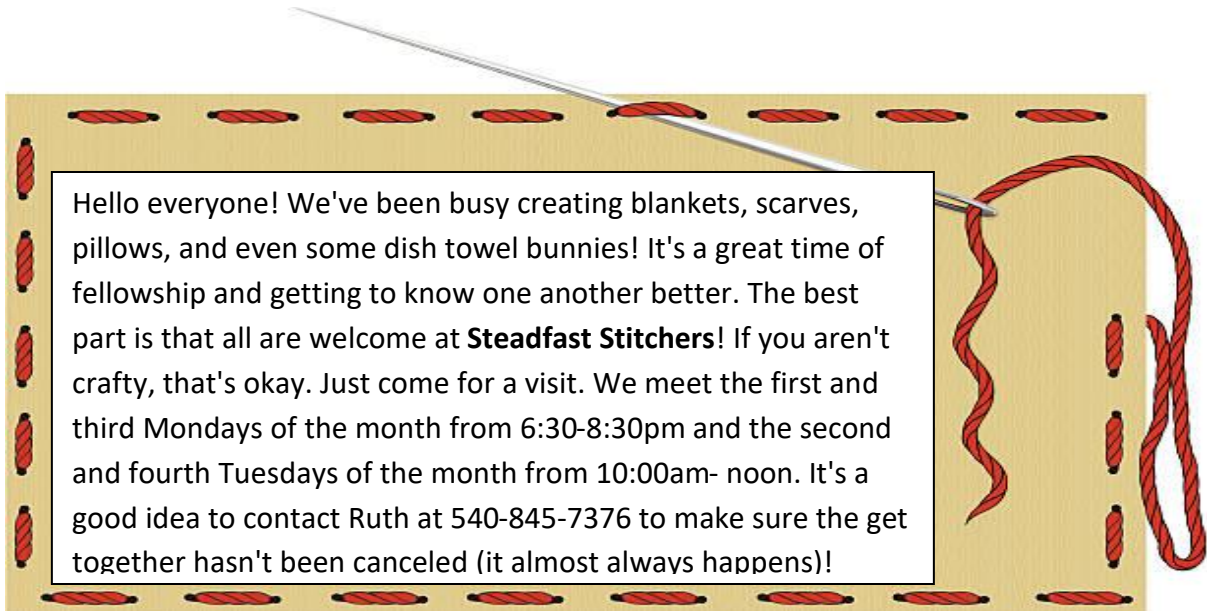
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Have you ever gotten a birthday or anniversary card from your church family? If not, perhaps we don't have your information. Please check with the office so we can celebrate your special days. Also, please sign the cards that are on the table in the east entry each Sunday to help celebrate these special occasions.





Hello everyone! We've been busy creating blankets, scarves, pillows, and even some dish towel bunnies! It's a great time of fellowship and getting to know one another better. The best part is that all are welcome at **Steadfast Stitchers!** If you aren't crafty, that's okay. Just come for a visit. We meet the first and third Mondays of the month from 6:30-8:30pm and the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 10:00am- noon. It's a good idea to contact Ruth at 540-845-7376 to make sure the get together hasn't been canceled (it almost always happens)!



Altar flowers are a beautiful way to honor loved ones or give thanks to God for someone in your life, past or present. Your donation of \$30 will provide flowers for one Sunday.

If you would like to order altar flowers, please contact Sue Porter at 913-704-9305 or seport46@yahoo.com or the church office, 913-682-033.

Tag and Rummage Sale

St. Paul's will hold a Tag and Rummage Sale on Saturday, June 15 from 8:00am – 3:00pm. Parish members can reserve an 8' table on the main level of the Parish Hall for \$25.00. Members may sell their individual items and keep all their profit. Set will be available on Friday 6/14 from 8am-2pm.

There will also be a hotdog/beverage sale at the kitchen window from 11-1. Youth of the church will operate the sale. Procedures will go to youth activities.

The lower level of the Parish Hall will have the rummage items for sale. This will include kitchen items, old dishes and silverware from the kitchen remodel. Other remodel items will be the old main level light fixtures and fireplace items. Medical assistance items that we will not loan plus miscellaneous furniture will also be for sale.

Please sign up early for your table or to assist with the sale. For additional information contact Kathy Meyer or Candy Dials.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEWS

Our Outreach Project for March 2024 was Leavenworth Interfaith Community of Hope. It has been assisting those who live in poverty in Leavenworth since December, 2014. It began first as Welcome Central, then they added an emergency night shelter. In 2016 they added a day shelter and combined all three services in their own building. Their community could not exist without folks who offer financial support and those who share their time – over 100 volunteers each week keep them running 365 days (and nights) a year. Thank you to all that contributed. In March you gave this organization \$633.00.

On Sunday, April 7th, Fr Jere blessed the offering envelopes in which the congregation of St Paul's gave their Lenten offerings to Leavenworth Affordable Housing. All totaled we raised \$2024.64 and reached the level of "Platinum Sponsor." Many thanks to Joy Kromer who spearheaded the wonderful opportunity to help create systemic change for those on the verge of homelessness.

Through the gifts of talent and labor from Joe and Michelle Garcia and with the help of the youth of St Paul's, our church will be able have a small community lending library in the yard of our Parish House.

Our Outreach Offering for May will once again be in support of the Community Meal. We will be collecting for this three times in 2024. St Paul's members, along with volunteers from The Protestant Main Post Chapel, Ft Leavenworth, have provided meals for anyone in the community needing nourishment and fellowship. Our

meals have been take out in



2023, and we look forward to having meals served in our Parish House in 2024. Your generous support, through three designated monthly offerings, makes it possible to provide delicious healthy meals.



During May an additional outreach opportunity will be



taking place to support the Foster Closet. The people of St Paul's, family and friends will have a chance to help with this by donating gently used, clean clothing for children for ages newborn to eighteen years. These donations can be dropped off

in the church narthex during the month of May. After each service these items will be put away until the first Saturday in June when the youth of our church will deliver them to the Foster Closet.



Coin Design Contest--Fr. Jere

One of the traditions from my prior life as a military chaplain is that of the unit coin. A unit coin was a means by which a leader could recognize outstanding service. A recent visit to the USDB store revealed that they have the

capability to make custom 1.5" coins. I need your help in designing a St. Paul's coin. Please send me your design, both sides, of images that best represent our parish. Please send your design to me via email to priestjere@stpaulslvn.org The winner will be chosen by my resident artist, Caitlin, on June 25th.

Heartfelt Thanks to everyone who so generously donated to DePaul Leavenworth Attainable Housing program during Lent. \$2,024.64 , all of which stays here in Leavenworth, was donated toward helping Leavenworth citizens and families move into more permanent homes in the Leavenworth community.



**SAVE THE DATE-----FRIDAY,
JUNE 7 TH
DePaul Leavenworth Attainable
Housing
2nd Annual Evening of Fun and
Hospitality**

Come together with other members of the Leavenworth community for food, games, music and much more at the 2nd Annual Evening of Fun and Hospitality for DePaul Leavenworth Attainable Housing fund raiser. Chef Terry Booker is preparing a dinner of barbeque ribs, fried chicken, salads, baked beans, and more to be served on the lawn of First United Methodist Church, 422 Chestnut St. Leavenworth. Games, including cornhole, Jenga, Connect Four, and badminton begin at 5:00. Dinner will be served at 6:00 and the program featuring music and first-hand information about DePaul Leavenworth Attainable Housing will be provided by current participants beginning at 7:15. This is an evening of hospitality and family fun. You may also bring your sleeping bag and tent and sleep out with other members of the group on the church lawn. Or you can sleep in your own bed after an evening of fun and a better understanding of the program.

Tickets for the meal are \$30 for adults and \$15 for children under 12. A sign-up sheet will be available in the new foyer and in the parish hall for tickets. Joy Kromer will deliver the tickets to you. Save the date, FRIDAY, JUNE 7 TH , for an evening of good family fun, good food, and good fellowship!



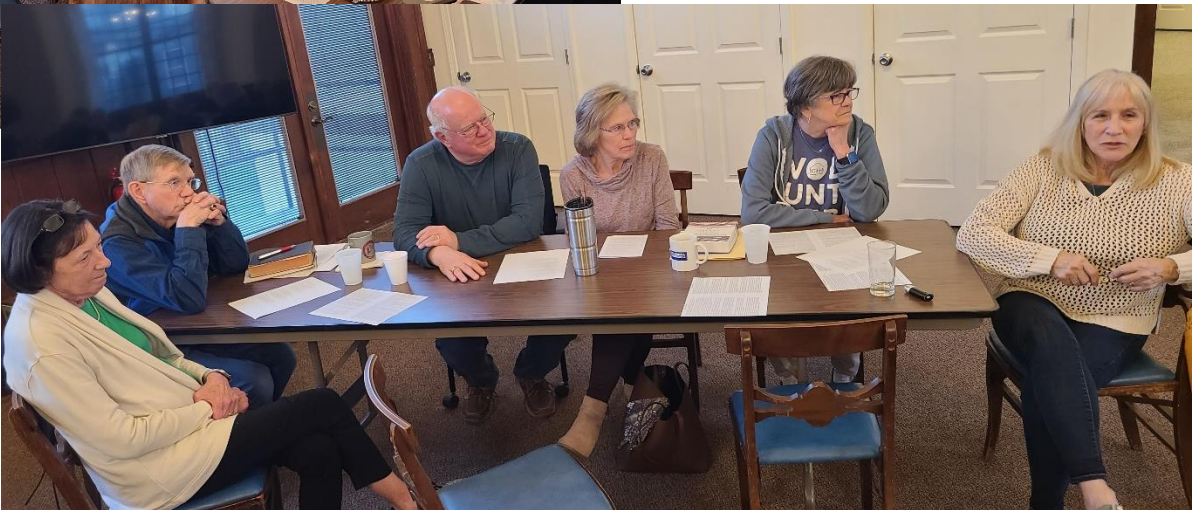
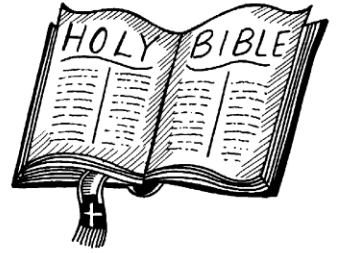
Grandparents at Prayer (G@P)

Come join us on Monday, May 13 from 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. We are studying “Grandparenting with a Purpose”, by Lillian Penner. Please plan to join us the second Monday of each month as we strive to learn more about how to practice intentional grandparenting with focused prayer that God will be ever present in the lives of our grandchildren. Please contact Anthea Brosnan, (913) 680-4481 or Amy Masters, (913) 240-3823 if you have any questions.



Many thanks to our own master woodworker, Steve Meyer, who recently refinished the benches in the columbarium.

Look out for more opportunities to study scriptures together in the future!



First Wednesday

Join us on 1 May for our monthly potluck and program. St. Paul's features the best food, fellowship and faith development for all ages! This month we feature Chad Senuta and the Rev. Karen Schlabach who work for the Diocese of Kansas in youth and young adult ministry. Come hear about the spiritual needs of today as we ponder how we all benefit from developing our faith regardless of age.



Minster

Tuesday, 7 May, 6pm St. Paul's will be hosting the Missouri River Minster meeting. You are welcome to join your minister representatives as well as those from Atchison, Falls City, and Holton as we gather, pray, and study. This month's study of chapters 9 and 10 of *Joining God, Remaking the Church, Changing the World* will be led by our own Gary Hobin.



Special Sundays in May

5 May: Instructed Eucharist--an Instructed Eucharist includes as the sermon time some answers to "Why do we do that?" to better understand Episcopal way.

12 May: Mother's Day and Graduate Recognition--please pass any names of graduates to the church office and/or Fr. Jere

19 May: Pentecost--wear RED! Christian Skaggs Baptism. Recent Retiree Recognition

26 May: Fr. Jere away on vacation, Mother Mary Schrom-Breese will be the guest celebrant/preacher



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Please know that neither Fr. Jere nor any member of the vestry will ever, ever email or text asking for gift cards or the like!

Bowling Anyone?

The first fundraiser set up for Big Brothers Big Sister is coming up June 20th. If St. Paul's wishes to field a team, we need a coordinator and six bowlers who would get sponsors from those who belong to St. Paul's and those who do not yet belong to St. Paul's :)



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St. Paul's
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Only \$15
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Prayer List:

Norman Arnold, Richard Fiske, Betty & Phil Clark, Mark Felton, Laura Tolliver, Barbara & Tom Kessler, Mary Wilkerson, Mary Gregerson, Carol Ohlstein, Barry Rimmey, James Henry, Marge Scheele, Phyliss Downing, Randy Kamm, Charles Gravidahl, Erika Johnson, Natalie Davy, Kari Fernengel, Rosemary Litewski, Mary

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