

St. Paul's Cares



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SAVE THE DATE!

**Weekend Family Retreat
at Valle Crucis**

Friday, July 20th- Sunday July 22nd, 2012

Please join all your St. Paul's family for a relaxing weekend of fellowship, fun and worship at the historic Valle Crucis Inn located in the picturesque "Valley of the Cross". You and your family can select to participate in various activities including sponsored spiritual workshops, hiking, biking, shade tree sitting, card playing, walking in the woods, afternoon napping, an art gallery loop tour, tall tale swapping, singing, dancing, cloud gazing, kid's activities, porch rocking with your favorite book, and more!



Mark your summer calendar now and plan to join us for a wonderful weekend of great food, great fun and great fellowship! Watch for the sign-up sheets. More details will follow soon.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Chuck Forester, 2012 Retreat Chair
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Saturday, February 4

Youth trip to Winter Jam in Greensboro **2:30PM**

Sunday, February 5

Vestry Installation at
8:30AM & 10:30AM services
Episcopal 101 **9:30AM** in parlor
Ministry Coordinator's workshop **12-2:00PM**

Monday, February 6

Afternoon Book Club **1:00PM** in Parish House

This Week at St. Paul's:

Thursday, January 26:

10:00AM – Rector's Bible Study in Church Office
11:15AM – Sermon Round Table in Chapel
12:00PM – Al-Anon in Library
12 Noon – 2:00PM: Assistance Team
at Wilkes Family Central
10:30AM – Children's Church

Next Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, January 29:

Sunday Servants

Role	January 29
Chalice Bearer/Lector 8:30	Laurie Love
Usher 8:30	Terri Canter
Chalice Bearer 10:30	Roger Latterell Ronda Latterell
Lector	Dick Sloop
Prayers of the People	Gwen Temple
Oblation Bearers	Debbie Ferguson Mule Ferguson
Acolyte Leader	Wansley
Acolytes	Crucifer 1-Van Morris Torch-Benjamin Petersen Torch-Alexander Wansley Gospel Carrier-Nicholas Beard Server-Tate Morris Crucifer 2-Zach Kern Banner-Haylee Hilton
Greeters	Maggie McCann Joan McCord
Communion Bread	Roger Latterell
Monthly Parish Hall Host	Colleen Manolovich
Ushers	Bob Skees, Chief Gary Doran Jeff Beard Kent Wansley
Altar Guild	Roger & Ronda Latterell, capt. Marianne Beamon Pam Sloop Bonnie Merritt
Nursery Attendant/ Volunteer	Marcie Wysocki Tamara Burkenbine
Children's Church Assistant	Cindy Hartley

8:30AM and 10:30AM - Holy Communion;
sermon series Rembrandt Preaches the Gospel
concludes; Rev. Joan Vella preaching
9:30AM – Adult Forum
9:30AM – Coffee Club
9:45AM - Adult Choir Practice
10:15AM - Nursery opens in the lower level of
the Main Sanctuary
Following 10:30AM Service – Youth soup &
sandwich fundraiser

Wednesday, February 1:

5:30PM – Holy Eucharist – Chapel
6:00PM – Chez Paul in Parish House. Chicken Alfredo with pasta, salad, rolls, dessert, & drink. Please sign up by Tues., Jan.31, 12PM
6:00PM – Youth Group
6:45PM – Adult Choir
6:45PM – Book Club

Thursday, February 2:

10:00AM – Rector's Bible Study in Church Office
11:15AM – Sermon Round Table in Chapel
12:00PM - Al-Anon in Library
12 Noon – 2:00PM: Assistance Team at Wilkes Family Central
7:00PM – Psalm 150 in the Parish House

WE CELEBRATE THIS WEEK...

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

27-Brian Pierce	1-Kim Faw
27-Hampton Wansley	1-Amanda Jackson
28-Marianne Beamon	3-Ricki Barger
30-Douglas Merritt	3-Cynthia Palazzolo
30-Jean Underwood	

JANUARY & FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

None this week

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill or unemployed.
All those who are on our prayer list.

Prayer List:

Glenda Andrews, Pam Baugh, Sonya Billings, Lonny Bumgarner, Annabella Camiaglia, Ken Canter, John Carpo, Bea Carter, Bob & Lorri Chubbuck, Geneva Church, Amy Davenport, Becky Doran, James Earley, Lorraine Fassbender, Alene Faw, Bill Feskowitz, Bailey Gray, Jim Gray, Steve Hanson, Betsey Hawkins, Kathryn Hege, Gerald Henly, Becky Hubbard, Pearl Hussey, Barbara Ireland, Doris Johnson, Sarah Kilpatrick, Jerry Lackey, Mary Laws, Peggy Layton, Louis Linsmeyer, Jeri Martin, Jack McCarthy, Nan McNeill, Glenn Merritt, Tim Murphy, Rebecca Noyes, Kimberly Oliver, Vikki Parsons, Dan & Sarah Pell, Scott Pendry, Kathy Sapp, Cameron Scott, Bob Skees, David Shears, Connie Sirk, Billie Stevenson, Keith Titus, Whitley Todd, Robin Walsh, Keith Watts, Barry Williams.

Let us pray for the safety of **all our troops**, especially Dylan Adams, Addison Carr, Karl Duerk, Caleb Hawkins, Mike Earley, William Grant, Edward C. Griffith IV, Craig Harris, Russ Necessary, Charlie & Lauren Pendry, Adam Pinkerton, Joey Prevette, Philip Southwell, Tristen Underwood, Gabby Young, and all others who serve in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world.

Please send to the church office the addresses of troops with connections to office@stpaulwilkesboro.org, especially those serving abroad.



READINGS FOR THE LITURGY FOR JANUARY 29, FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said, The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak-- that prophet shall die."

Psalm 111, Page 754, BCP

Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the LORD! *
they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor, *
and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; *
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good
understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth--as in fact there are many gods and many lords-- yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Luke 15:11-32

Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"