

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

(In Exile in the Parish Hall 11.7 - ?)

**WE ARE AN INCLUSIVE
AND PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

Who, led by the Spirit, are guided to provide a safe harbor
for those on their spiritual journey.
And who work to bring God's loving justice into our world in need.

**February 6, 2022
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**There will be no church service on Sunday,
February 6.**

**Please join the livestream for St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in
Seattle or the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.**

**Live Stream for St. Mark's Episcopal Cathedral
or
National Cathedral Online Church Services**

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FROM THE HALLS OF ST. PAUL'S

All future announcements should be sent to the office at stpaul700@gmail.com, this includes the Prayer Vine as well. Philip will keep everything updated with the important news we all need to know.



Mother Kathleen's recovery is going fine although not without a minor setback: an allergic reaction to medication in the third week of her convalescence. She is on the mend and thanks everyone for their prayers. She can't wait to be back in church and see all the progress on the repairs.

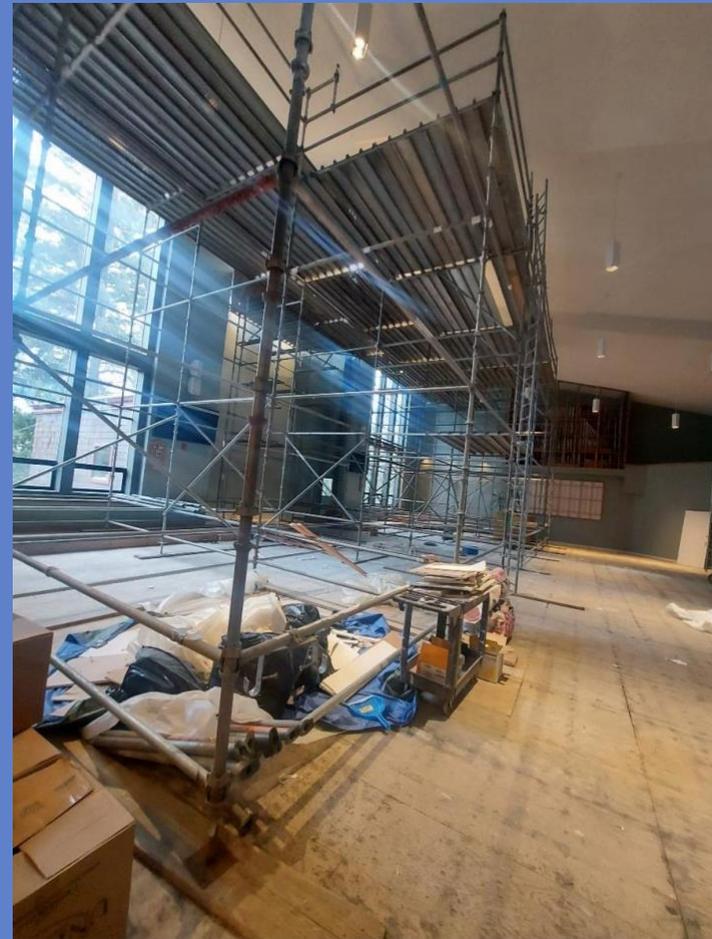
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Construction at St. Paul's

Work continues on the Sanctuary. The crew from RW Anderson has been making progress the past week with installing new dry wall, painting, and hauling away old debris.

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Please mark your calendar:

The 2022 Annual Meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday, February 27. More information on this to come.

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the College

for Congregational Development



College for Congregational Development

June 11-17 | Fort Worden, Port Townsend | \$650 Registration

It's that time again! Registration is open for the 2022 week long hybrid intensive College for Congregational Development at Fort Worden, Port Townsend in person, June 11-17. As we did last year, online sections will begin the first week of May, and you will be meeting with your group weekly via Zoom. Space is limited. Click the link below to register. Participants will be expected to attend all online sessions as well as the in person days. You can reach out to Matt Koski, mkoski@ecww.org, if you have any questions.

[Click here to register](#)

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Young Adults Gather for a Contemplative Retreat

Get away from it all and experience a weekend of peace, prayer, and self-care with young adults from across the Episcopal Diocese of Olympia.

Join us for a very casual retreat, February 11-13, designed for re-centering and renewal. Adults in their 20s and 30s from around the Diocese are invited to a retreat center, just south of Seattle on the coast, to experience an array of

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contemplative practices over the course of the weekend. Cost is \$125/person, all meals and private room/bath included. For more information and to register, click here:

<https://contemplative-retreat.eventbrite.com>



Diocesan Youth Confirmation Program
Sundays, February 6-April 24 at 7:00pm

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All youth, ages 13 to 18 (seniors in high school), are invited to come along on this Confirmation journey as we explore, learn, grapple, and discover what we believe and why. Join the Diocesan Youth Confirmation Program for a 10-week series as we cover topics such as: the Book of Common Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, the Nicene Creed, the Sacraments, heretics, world religions, and more!

Classes will be held online so this will be a virtual gathering on Sunday evenings with other diocesan youth. We will feature different guest teachers from across the diocese (which will include clergy, lay leaders, and faith formation staff), and there will be a core team of adult leaders who will help lead the breakout sessions each week.

Youth will be confirmed on Cathedral Day, May 7, at Saint Mark's Cathedral in Seattle.

[Click here for more information and registration](#)

The Book Group Of St. Paul's meets every Monday evening at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

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The St. Paul's Book Group has selected **Waking Up White: And Finding Myself in the Story of Race** by Debbie Irving for our new book to read starting Monday, December 13.

This book is part of the Episcopal Church Sacred Ground curriculum and is being read by our Vestry. It is a book for us to discuss "White Privilege." A book written from the author's personal journey as a privileged white person in the U.S. learning about the racial divide.

The book group feels that by reading the book aloud each week, we will be able to focus on the journey of racial reconciliation, take time to discuss the chapter questions, and learn from each other. Come and join us; books can be purchased, checked out at the library, or you can just listen. **When was the last time you listened to a whole book being read by friends?**

Peace to You,
Call if you have questions or just join in.
Katherine Adams 360-377-9942

Join Zoom Meeting

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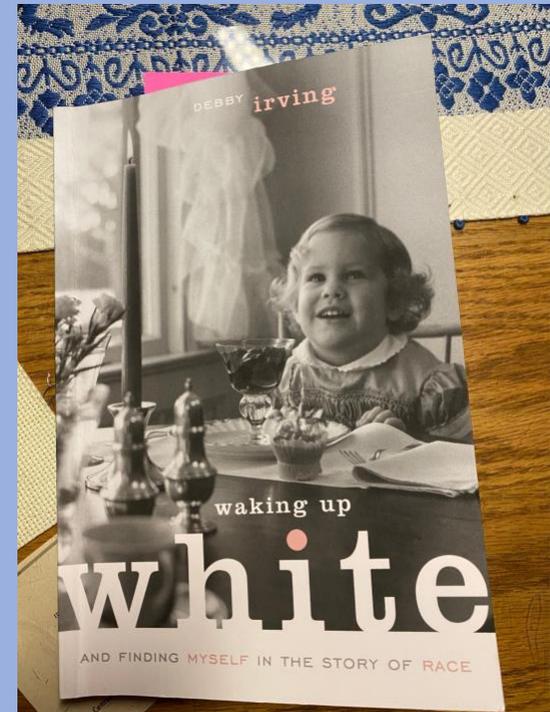
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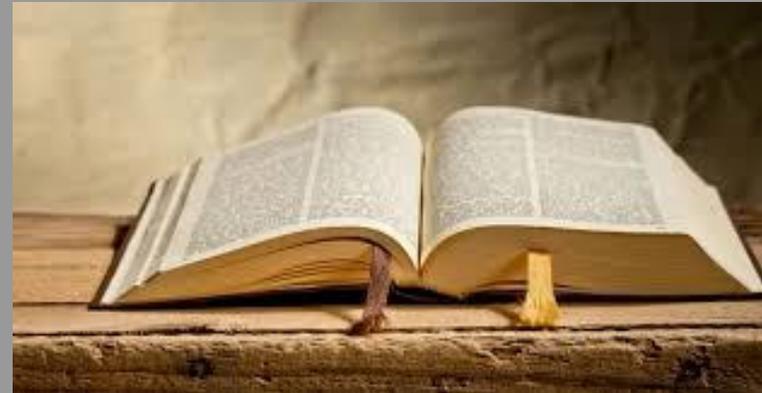
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Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, February 9th at 9:30am in the Nursery (temporary quarters while the church undergoes repairs). We will discuss the readings for the following Sunday. The readings are:

**Jeremiah 17:5-10
Psalm 1
1 Corinthians 15:12-20
Luke 6:17-26**

All are welcome! Contact Sue Ahrens at 360.471.2139 with any questions.

See you on Wednesday!



St. Paul's Serves at SALLY

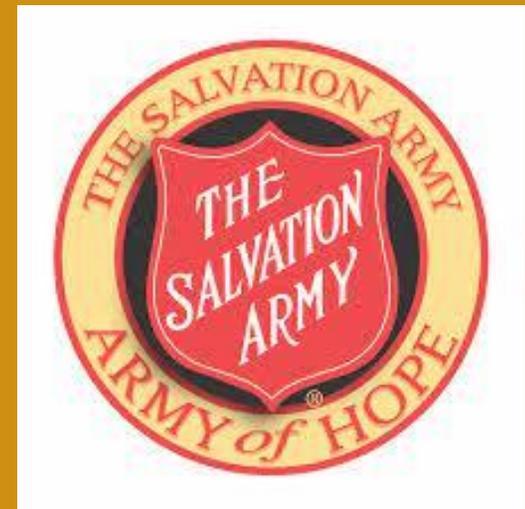
We need volunteers!

St. Paul's is now supporting the Salvation Army (*aka*SALLY) by preparing dinner **ONCE A MONTH ON THE SECOND SATURDAY** of every month between **2:30 and 5:30 pm**. It is a safe environment, and you can park in the lot behind the Salvation Army for free. Temperatures are checked at the door, everyone wears masks, and gloves are provided in the kitchen. We prepare 50-80 dinners and put our delicious cuisine on trays that we distribute to the hungry folks through a window in the kitchen. It is fun, safe, and secure.

Please let me know if you are available to work on: **Saturday, February 12.**

Hebrews 6:10

"God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."



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Thank you to all those who have previously volunteered.

Blessings,

Jackie King

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Bremerton Backpack Brigade

Serving the first needs of the
child, so that they may learn



Hey everyone,

The Backpack Brigade could not exist without your help. The Bremerton School District donates the space we use for our pantry. Administrators, teachers, and staff at every school we serve help the Brigade in countless ways, most

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of which we never even see. Many local businesses, churches, and individuals donate money and food regularly to keep us moving forward! We're beyond grateful; as a matter of fact, we're flat out awed by all your support.

Without the volunteers this train would never leave the station! You are the heart-beat of our work together. Even during these crazy COVID times, you're still eager to serve. You show up every week, you care, you strive to make a difference, you regularly do more than is asked, and your smiles and willing hands inspire. We cherish you, each and every one of you.

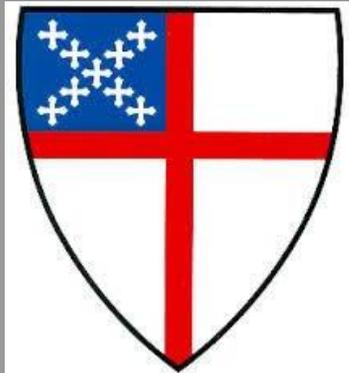
Just in case I haven't reminded everyone lately, your gifts of time and treasure are making a huge difference in the lives of hundreds of children and families every week!

Have a great February everyone. Spring can't be far away now!

xo's,
Myra

Read the February newsletter

Volunteer Team Schedule



**Church office hours:
Tuesdays - Thursdays
10:00am - 2:00pm**

If you require assistance, please call Philip at 360-377-0106 or email stpaul700@gmail.com.