

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

**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.  
So that together we reflect God's love into our world.**

**September 4, 2022**

**Proper 18**

**Season of Creation: "The Stars Declare God's Glory"**

**FROM THE HALLS OF ST. PAUL'S**

**This Sunday's Ministry Team:**

*Rector: The Rev. Kathleen Kingslight*

*Verger: The Rev. Declan Jarry III*

*Acolyte: Jay Hayworth*

*Lay Readers: Sue Ahrens, Jay Hayworth & Joseph Hayworth*

*Altar Guild: Barbara Anderson*

*Eucharistic Minister: Sue Ahrens*

*Vestry Greeter: Georgann Falotico*

*Media Arts: Tara Curran*

*Sign Ministry: Joseph Hayworth & Sue Ahrens*

## NOTES FROM YOUR RECTOR

### GOOD MORNING FAMILY OF GOD!

So much has been going on during this past month. I heard of your lovely vacations and wedding anniversaries; houses being ready to be moved into; as well as COVID diagnoses and healing accomplished. I'm grateful to let you know that it seems that most or all of our sick family returned home from travel with this viral friend. There have been NO transmissions of COVID from our Sunday worship or time together! THANKS BE TO GOD AND THE CARE THAT WE ARE TAKING WITH ONE ANOTHER!



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As we have celebrated for many years in the past, we will again be participating in the **Season of Creation, which will culminate with the Blessing of the Animals on October 9th.** The theology of the church must go through a deep revision in regard to our views on "our island home," our earth. For too long humanity has had the hubris to believe that when the Scripture said that we were given dominion over the garden of Eden, that we could do with it what we wanted. And with did, burning fossil fuels, polluting our waters, over fishing our seas, and treating the animals as things rather than sentient beings. Dominion must be interpreted as "stewardship" care for, rather than dominion over. Human hubris has led us to this time of earth's crisis.

The Season of Creation is simply one small step that the Church can intentionally address the marriage of our faith and theology, with our activism and daily lives. We started this season with our sermon last Sunday by Sue Ahrens on how the church is like a tomato, and we ended that sermon with singing and moving to the Kingslight's song, Little Bitty Seeds. Come and join us as we learn about what each of us can do to make changes for our health, and for that of our planet!

We join with Christians all over our earth during this time.

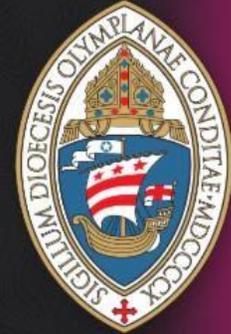
**As the school year ramps up, so does the activity of the church! Expanded music, kid activities, nursery help, adult education, and a parish picnic. Get all the news here in the Halls of St. Paul's.**

**REMINDER! This Sunday is our pancake breakfast. Along with enjoying a great breakfast in the parish hall, we will have a time to talk together as community about what actions we've made for the Season of Creation.**

God bless you my friends, may your gardens delight you, your new homes be wonderful gifts, may you stay healthy, as the beginning of our Church year ramps up!

Mother Kathleen+

*Across* THE DIOCESE  
*Ordinary Time*



**Across the Diocese**  
**[Click here to read the latest newsletter](#)**  
**August 26, 2022**

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- \*Dish soap, dish sponges
- \*Laundry soap
- \*Trash bags
- \*Dog food, cat food and litter
- \*Dog waste bags

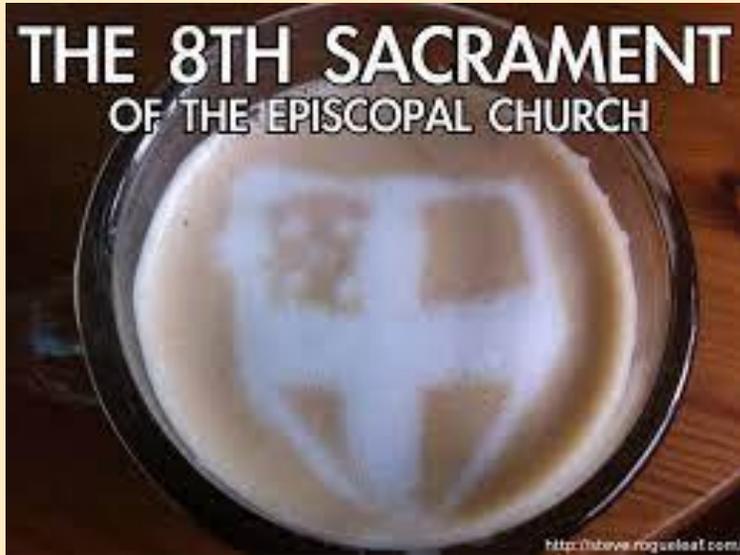
Also, there are copies of this list near the box by the front doors, to remind us when shopping.

There are folks who have recently been taken out of tents in our parks and given motel rooms. But they are in need of some basic items. Just drop off any of the items listed below at St. Paul's, and I (Katherine Adams) will pick them up weekly and give them to K.C.R. Jesus asked us to "feed his sheep." Here is a simple way to follow Jesus.

- \*Toilet paper
- \*Paper towels
- \*Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothpaste
- \*Regular towels- body/hand towels
- \*Paper plates, plastic utensils
- \*Bar soap

## COFFEE HOUR

## THE 8TH SACRAMENT OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**1st Sunday - Pancake Breakfast in PH**

**2nd - Coffee hour in the Oliver room**

**3rd - Denny's or Family Pancake**

**4th - Coffee hour in the Oliver Room**

and if there's a **5th Sunday** it will be coffee hour. We hope that this will allow our volunteers to be spaced in such a way as to not be overwhelmed, AND a chance for us to rebuild those relation-ships challenged by the last couple of years. Also, on those restaurant Sundays, perhaps we can get into the habit of taking newcomers to breakfast on our dollar!

**We look forward to others who will step forward to becoming involved.**

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

**The St. Paul's Book Group has selected their new book to read out loud:** *Mary Magdalene Revealed: The First Apostle, Her Feminist Gospel, & the Christianity We Haven't Tried Yet* by Meggan Watterson, who has written several books including *The Devine Feminine Oracle*.

This book comes highly recommended by several St. Paul members. It brings the spiritual texts from Mary Magdalene's Gospel, one that didn't make it into the "bible," and how it can work in our lives today. It makes clear that we, as Christians, have a feminine spiritual tradition in our past and future, and some compelling information that we do not all know and can share while reading this book. We're excited to see how we can change as we read it.

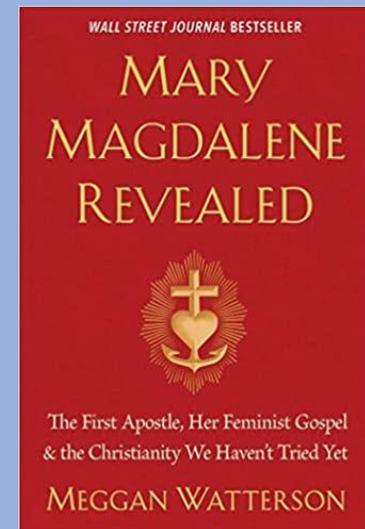
Remember -- all are invited to this weekly group. You can come once or weekly, we know summer vacations might really happen this year. If you don't have the book in hand, that is fine; you will hear it being read to you. We are a welcoming group, learning together, praying together, and questioning together. Visit anytime.

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

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85253008185?pwd=U0dVUjYrTHBtSnFIUIZaa2Z2UURDZz09>

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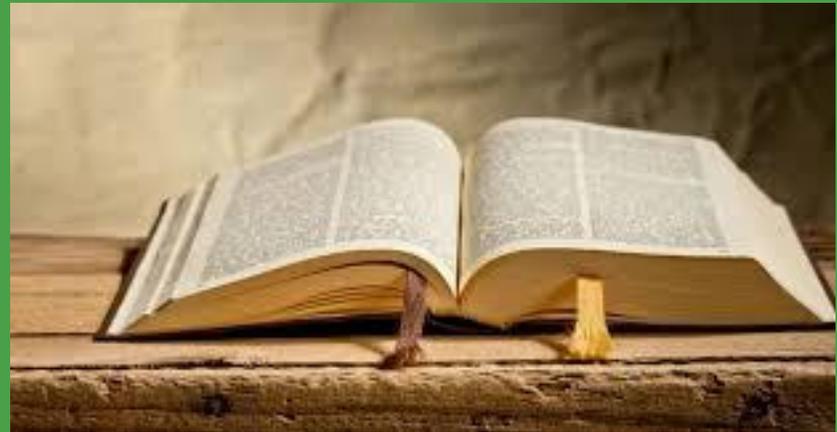
## **St. Paul's Bible Study**

will meet on Wednesday, September 7 at 9:30 am in the Oliver Room. We will discuss the readings for the following Sunday.

The readings are:  
Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
Psalm 14  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10

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

See you on Wednesday!



# Bremerton Backpack Brigade

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



Hey Everyone,

I hope your summer is sailing along smoothly - just the right mix of family, friends, and sunshine?

There's some fun Brigade stuff happening soon (including this weekend) that you should know about. Over the next week, you'll have the opportunity to participate in a bingo-night fundraiser, a car show food-drive, some volunteer training, and more! You can read all about this fun stuff in the August newsletter. The work we do gets more interesting every year, and I can't wait to see what the new school year offers (it begins August 31st).

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Please fill out the volunteer form (also attached), and bring it with you when you join us at the pantry. It will be such fun to see you all again! I can't wait to start feeding those hungry kids. .

See you soon,

Myra Battin (Founder and Guide for this ministry)

[Click here to read the August newsletter](#)

[Volunteer Application Form](#)

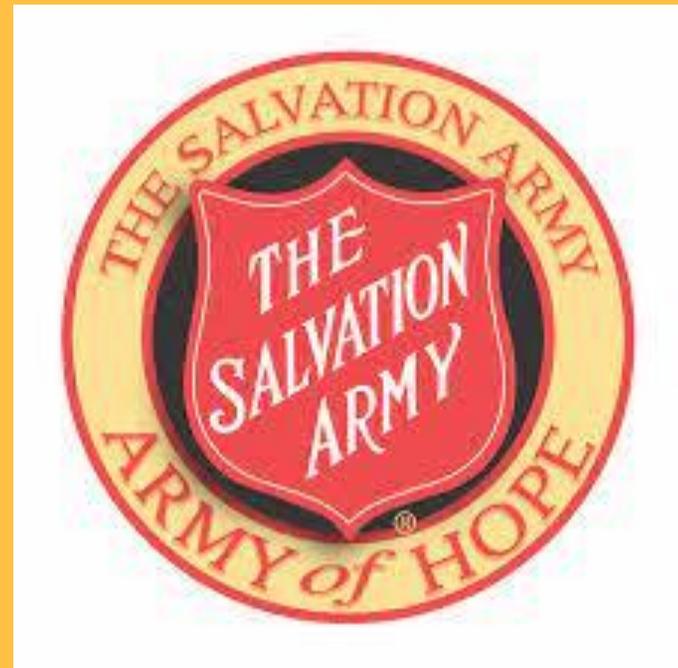
## St. Paul's Serves at SALLY'S

### We need volunteers!

St. Paul's is now supporting the Salvation Army (*aka SALLY*) by preparing dinner on **the second Saturday of every month from 2:30-5:30 pm**. It's 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 pro-vided 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, September 10.**

**Hebrews 6:10**



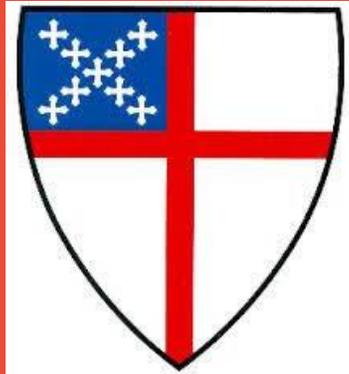
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“God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.”

Thank you to all those who have previously volunteered.

Blessings,

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**Church office hours:  
Monday - Wednesday  
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