September 14, 2025

Dear members and friends of Saint Paul's,

September 14th is Homecoming Sunday at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church on Lake of the Isles. We gather at 10:00AM to worship with our full choir, followed by a special coffee hour. We hope to see you in person or on Zoom! Come and be a part of the thriving Spirit at Saint Paul's!

There is much to look forward to in the coming months. See the full schedule of events attached to this letter. Mark your calendars...

We have beautiful and meaningful worship planned for every Sunday and special feast days including Saint Francis (Blessing of the Animals), All Saints Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

Opportunities for formation include a presentation on the book *The Church of the Wild*; a book discussion group TBA; Zoom pilgrimage to Lourdes, Fatima, and Santiago de Compostela; an Advent retreat/quiet day; Lessons and Carols; and quiet mornings for prayer and walking the labyrinth.

Outreach/Faith in Action initiatives include Winter Blessing Bags (for people who may be experiencing homelessness), holiday gifts for Southside Care Center, food shelf, and the Little Library. By popular demand, "Wings and a Prayer" dinners will continue in October and November.

Additions may be added as opportunities and resources are available.

Join in. Worship. Learn. Explore. Give back. Socialize. Bring family and friends. Excitement awaits! All are welcome!

In God's love and peace,

Lu Whitney, Senior Warden Helen Lockhart, Junior Warden Rev. Ramona Scarpace, Rector

# Saint Paul's Church on Lake of the Isles Worship and Programming Guide September-December 2025

as of 31 Aug 2025

#### Ongoing events:

- Sunday worship, 10:00AM; Coffee Hour follows in Undercroft
- Wednesday choir rehearsals, 7:00-8:30PM
- Saturday Quiet Days in Sanctuary, 9:00-11:00AM (dates vary)
- o Food Shelf, Little Library donations

# September 2025

Quiet Days on September 6, 20

#### Mon, September 15

• Vestry meeting – 7:00-9:00PM, Conference Room

**Sun, September 14** – Homecoming Sunday – 10:00AM

## Sun, September 21

 Coffee Hour presentation – (re)Introduction to Realm: Parish Directory updates and photos, led by Angie Paulson

#### Tue, September 23

 Zoom presentation, 7:00PM – (re)Introduction to Realm: Parish Directory updates and photos, led by Angie Paulson

# October 2025

Quiet Days on October 4, 18, 25

## Wed, October 8

 "Wings and a Prayer" community dinner – Undercroft, 6:00-7:15PM

#### Sun, October 12

- Stewardship Drive begins
- Faith Formation Coffee Hour presentation on "Church of the Wild", led by Rev. Barbara del Caro Scaia

#### Sun, October 19

- Stewardship Drive continues
- All-Parish Meeting Undercroft, following Coffee Hour

#### Mon, October 20

Vestry meeting – 7:00-9:00PM, Conference Room

#### Sun, October 26

• Stewardship Drive concludes

# November 2025

Quiet Days on November 1, 15, 22

#### Sun, November 2, 9

collections for winter Blessing Bags – Undercroft

## Tue, November 11

 Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Fatima, and the Santiago de Compostela, Part 1 – 7:00-8:15 pm via Zoom, led by Rev. Ramona Scarpace

#### Wed, November 12

 "Wings and a Prayer" community dinner – Undercroft, 6:00-7:15PM

## Sun, November 16

 Winter Blessing Bag assembly – Undercroft – following Coffee Hour

## Mon, November 17

Vestry meeting – 7:00-9:00PM, Conference Room

#### Tue, November 18

 Pilgrimage to Lourdes, Fatima, and the Santiago de Compostela, Part 2 – 7:00-8:15PM via Zoom, led by Rev. Ramona Scarpace

## Sun, November 23

Southside Care Center gift collection begins

#### Sat, November 29

Greening of the Church – 9:00AM

#### Sun, November 30

• Southside Care Center gift collection continues

# December 2025

Quiet Days on December 6, 20 Tuesdays (dates and title TBD) – Book Discussion Group via Zoom– led by The Rev. Dr. Penelope Warren

#### Fri, December 5

Lessons and Carols – 7:00PM; reception to follow

# Sun, December 7

Southside Care Center gift collection continues

## Sat, December 13

Advent Quiet Day/Retreat – 10:00AM-2:00PM, led by Rev.
Ramona Scarpace and Rev. Dr. Penelope Warren (incl. lunch)

# Sun, December 14

Southside Care Center gift collection concludes

# Mon, December 15

Vestry meeting – 7:00-9:00PM, Conference Room

Wed, December 24 – Christmas Eve Worship - 5:00PM

Thu, December 25 - Christmas Day Worship - 10:00AM