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St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Greenville, Ohio

Helping all people find a connection to God's community.

January 2025

A Statement of Mission



As Episcopalians in the
Diocese of Southern Ohio,
we commit to:

- † Know the common story
Deut. 11:18-21
- † Proclaim our common
faith
Matt. 28:19-20
- † Pray our common prayer
1 Thess. 5:16-19
- † Drink the common cup
Mark 10:38
- † Serve the common good
Matt. 25:37-40

In the name of our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ.

This is our common
ministry.

SENIOR WARDEN NOTES

January will be another full month for us at St. Paul's. We will have two Holy Eucharist services and two Liturgy of the Word services. We will also have our Annual Meeting and Carry In on Sunday, January 26. We do have one Vestry opening and volunteers are welcome. Please plan to be with us at this important meeting as we discuss the status and plans for our church. Your thoughts and ideas are very helpful.

Let us open our hearts and minds to the light of Jesus Christ as we begin this new month. This is the time to renew our faith and focus on lives full of kindness and love for each other every day. Our work as Christians continues and it is more important than ever in our world today. Each of us can do our part and every little bit makes a difference.

Please join us this month! Wishing everyone a safe and blessed January!

Kim Bohler, Senior Warden

Date/Proper	Readings	Assistants	Flowers*
<p>January 5</p> <p>The Second Sunday after Christmas Day</p>	<p>Jeremiah 31:7-14</p> <p>Psalm 84</p> <p>Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a</p> <p>Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23</p>	<p>PJ Brumbaugh, Celebrant</p> <p>Jan Dunwoody, Reader</p> <p>Peter Hemer, Usher</p>	<p>Nancy & Peter Hemer</p>
<p>January 12</p> <p>The First Sunday after Epiphany</p>	<p>Isaiah 43:1-7</p> <p>Psalm 29</p> <p>Acts 8:14-17</p> <p>Luke 3:15-17, 21-22</p>	<p>Rev. Linnenberg, Celebrant</p> <p>Kim Bohler, LEM/Prayers</p> <p>Joe Grilliot, Reader</p> <p>Dick Mote, Usher</p>	<p>Judy Fitzgerald</p>
<p>January 19</p> <p>The Second Sunday after Epiphany</p>	<p>Isaiah 62:1-5</p> <p>Psalm 36:5-10</p> <p>1 Corinthians 12:1-11</p> <p>John 2:1-11</p>	<p>Jan Dunwoody, Celebrant</p> <p>Duane Johnson, Reader</p> <p>Fred Dean, Usher</p>	<p>Nancy Brumbaugh</p>
<p>January 26</p> <p>The Third Sunday after Epiphany</p>	<p>Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10</p> <p>Psalm 19</p> <p>1 Corinthians 12:12-31a</p> <p>Luke 4:14-21</p>	<p>Rev. Linnenberg, Celebrant</p> <p>Chris Nelson, LEM/Prayers</p> <p>Kim Bohler, Reader</p> <p>Joe Grilliot, Usher</p>	<p>Kim Bohler</p>

We listened to you, Dear Lord.

We want to follow your teachings to us. We helped feed the hungry in our community.

In this Christmas season, we give thanks to God for the gift of the birth of his Son, Jesus. And to help show our thanks for His gift to us, St. Paul's Episcopal church helped supplement the food needs of three separate families in our local community with financial struggles by giving food gift certificates from Eikenberry's IGA of \$250 each family.

We delivered the food gift certificates to the families on Dec. 8-10. All the families were very thankful, almost to the point of tears, when they shared what a gift it was for their struggles for this month of December. One mother shared her anxieties to soon hear the prognosis of YES/NO on a recent test for intestinal cancer.

And within a couple hours of hand delivering the gift certificate to the last person, the outreach member making the delivery received a text message note of thanks explaining in more detail the positive impact this gift made to her family.

With the written permission of this last recipient, we want to share this person's note of thanks to us. "Dear St Paul's, God is good and always on Time. I didn't know what I was going to do for our family's supper tonight. We are out of just about everything. I try not to worry, because God is good and always on time, and I love him so. "

Isn't it a wonderful and glorious thing to know that our small church can still make such a timely and very needed gift, just as Jesus asked us to do: When you see the hungry, give them food.

Some may ask, aren't the Outreach efforts of our church supposed to encourage the people we "touch" in our community to join our St Paul's family? We don't know the answer to that question. But we feel whenever we can touch someone in our community that is in a financial struggle, we hope to offer a small degree of hope to that person/family, that our gifts are acts of kindness and grace from God. And, if these gifts can inspire them, even if for only a brief moment, their continued belief in the everlasting love of God—much like the last recipient that had almost nothing in her food cupboard for that night's supper—then we are satisfied that we are pleasing God, and making Him smile by our church's help to do good works in His name.

Respectfully submitted,

Saint Paul's Episcopal Outreach Commission.

Kim Bohler, Linda Cassel, Jan Dunwoody, Jan Nelson, Tim Burns, Joe Grilliot,

Chris Nelson, Chair.

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Monthly Planner

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