PRIME-TIMERS MAY 2025

NEWSLETTER



If you are a mom or grandmom, you are deserving of blessing and honor for who you are and for all you do. No matter what your age, here is a prayer of blessing for you for every efficient work, every good word, and for every act of love you have ever offered on behalf of the ones you love.

Dear Lord.

Bless every mother and every grandmother with Your Spiritual Blessings. Confirm in her heart and spirit the work of her hands and the love she has so freely given to her children.

Create in her a deep sense of Your protection so that worry and fear will disappear as she places her loved ones in Your care. Let her know that every prayer she has prayed and every encouraging word she has spoken on behalf of her children and grandchildren has been transformed into sweet, fragrant offerings before Your throne. Bless her with a servant spirit so she can teach her own the joy of hearing one day, "Well done!"

Let her joy be contagious; let her passion be pure, and let her life overflow with all the blessings she deserves-on special days, and on every day of her life.

In Jesus's name. Amen





This Memorial Day Commemoration St. Paul's Church event is free to the public:

St. Paul's will commemorate Memorial Day to reflect on the ultimate sacrifice made by those who fought for our freedom. May their courage inspire us to continue building a nation that embodies the Christian principles on which it was founded.

Patriotic music by organist, Tom Bailey will begin at 11:00 a.m. with the Commemorative Program at 11:30 a.m. Fredrick R. Hoose, Col., USA (Ret) and James J. Lombardo, CMSgt, USAF (Ret) will serve as honored wreath bearers accompanied by John Stenger, Lt. Col., USA (Ret).

Additional sponsors and supporters include: the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), Charleston Chapter; Cane Bay High School JROTC Color Guard; Piper, Sgt. James R. Ryan, III, North Charleston Police Department, Dorchester County Sheriff, and Dorchester County Rescue Squad.

Tom's Events and Flowers will provide the Memorial wreath.

Upcoming Prime-Timers and St. Paul's Church events:

Prime-Timers Book Club:

Facilitator is Dawn Schaeperkoetter, meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of each month, from 10:30-12pm, in Room #5 in Skardon Hall. The book for May is *The Lost Bookshop*, by Evie Woods. The book club will break for summer during June and July and reconvene in August.

GrandCamp: **June 16 – 20, 2025**, at Epworth by the Sea on St. Simon's Island, Georgia. Information, registration, and personal testimonies can be found on our Diocesan website adosc@gmail.com, under "Grandparenting Ministry." If you have any questions, contact Cathy Jacobs at cathyjacobs4@gmail.com

Vacation Bible Study coming in July: Registration for "On the Case" is officially open! VBS is open for rising 4K - 5th grade, and will run July 21 - 24, 2025, from 5:30 - 8p.m. Dinner will be served nightly, and registration is FREE! We will need plenty of help from youth and adults alike; we need a minimum of 60 volunteers each evening to make this event a success.

Crafts:



Do you knit or crochet? We are looking to form a ministry to make prayer shawls. Whether you are seasoned at knitting, crocheting, or wanting to learn, we welcome all. The shawls will be blessed by a clergyman before they are donated to all recipients who will be comforted with these gifts. The projected meeting time will be on the first and third Friday of every month, from 10:00am to 12:00pm, in Skardon Hall's, Library Room. **Starting date to be announced.**

If you, or anyone you know would be willing to donate yarn, or a monetary donation to help purchase the yarn for our cause, all would be appreciated. Also, look out for yarn sales at thrift stores, or yard sales for your prayer shawl project. Contact person is Margie Smith (843)860-0303, or e-mail her at smithmargie820@gmail.com

Prayer shawls are commonly referred to as comfort shawls, peace shawls, mantles, etc. The shawl maker begins with prayers and blessings for the recipient and those intentions are continued throughout the creation of the shawl. Upon completion, a final blessing is offered before the shawl is given to the recipient. This can be done in a formal ceremony if the shawl is being given by a group affiliated with a church.

Dear Lord.

We thank you for the generous gifts we have received and ask for your continued blessings on our homes and families. May the Holy Spirit guide us as we share of our time, talents, prayers, and love in this Prayer Shawl Ministry. We also ask your blessings on the recipients of the shawls that they may feel comforted by your steadfast love and, if possible, that their health be restored. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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<u>Games</u>: If you have an interest in getting together with fellow parishioners or friends in the Summerville community for card, or board games, Mexican Train, or have any suggestions for other games that you might introduce, contact us. We plan to begin gathering in September 2025 once we have a list of participants and will provide further information as we collect your interests.

Anyone interested, please contact Cathie Diggs, (843) 814-6154, or email clizad83@gmail.com

June 6 through 8-Kamal Saleem Visits St. Paul's. Minister and author Kamal Saleem is joining St. Paul's during Pentecost week. Kamal Saleem presents the facts from God's Word to answer the call for Ishmael's redemption and the Muslim people's position in the One New Man.

You can learn more about him here: https://cbn.com/article/salvation/kamal-saleem-muslim-cries-out-jesus

Summerville Community May events:

ST. PHILLIP'S TEA ROOM 2025: May 5-9 from 11:30a.m. to 2:00p.m., St. Phillip's Parish Hall and Lawn, 154 Church Street, Charleston, SC 29401

Summerville Orchestra: May 16th, 7:00p.m. and 17th, 3:00p.m., "A Cinematic Finish."

May 21st, 5:30p.m.-6:30p.m., "Music Chat #8: Trivia!"

https://summervilleorchestra.org/

Flowertown Players: May 2-18, 2025, For tickets to this performance see the link below.

https://ci.ovationtix.com/35958/production/1191379

For further information on the 2025-2026 upcoming season and any contact info., open this link:

https://www.flowertownplayers.org/

YouTube Sunday Services at St Paul's Summerville livestream videos:

Church Building, 10:15a.m. Sunday, Traditional Service:

https://www.youtube.com/live/oRshInL3uyM?si=XR7h bfJTyb8okWI

Doar Hall, 10:15a.m. Sunday, Contemporary Service:

https://www.youtube.com/live/SKque-cmWZg?si=dLI-YL6yntJyO6kv

Biblical Guidance: Ecclesiastes 3:1: "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven."

Mission Statement: To offer fellowship, service, and discipleship opportunities that help the adult membership within the St. Paul's Anglican Church of Summerville congregation and surrounding Summerville community to live the autumn season of life to their fullest, with God's help.