



St. Paul's
Episcopal Church
Where Tradition Meets Today



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From the Rector

Dear Friends and Members of St. Paul's,

For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it...

1 Thessalonians 1:8

The verse above from 1 Thessalonians makes a strong impression on me. 1 Thessalonians is the earliest written document in the New Testament. It is a joyous letter; Paul had a close relationship with the church's members, and why not? The Gospel he had planted there had clearly taken root and was bearing fruit. The witness of the church

in Thessalonica was so strong, that their faith has become known throughout the region. Paul has no need to tell others about the church; their reputation for living the Gospel has become widespread!

Something just like this has been happening for years through the fellowship and ministries of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Delray Beach. As you read through this edition of the *E-pistle* you will come across the variety of ways the gospel of God has sounded forth through the ministries of St. Paul's. Each of you is a part of this work and ministry and that's worth celebrating! By God's grace and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your time, talent and treasure makes it all happen and allows us to touch lives in very deep and mean-

ingful ways. It is an exciting and wondrous thing. Moreover, as you support and participate in the life and ministries of this church, I'm confident you have discovered God touching and blessing your life as well.

In this season of celebrating saints and giving thanks for blessings, I hope and pray you are thankful for all this Church means to you and to so many. I know I am!

Blessings and peace,

2011 Green Giveaway!
Enter for a chance to win a
2012 Hybrid Honda Civic—
go to StPaulsDelray.org



Outreach at the Beach
Friday, December 2,
6 to 8pm
at the Colony Cabaña Club

From the Senior Warden

One of the great privileges of serving as Senior Warden during this past year has been the opportunity to witness and be a part of all the amazing ministries that go on at St. Paul's, day after day, week after week; a few of which are highlighted in this newsletter. Sustaining these ministries, as well as our beautiful sacred space, takes money.

We are projecting a nearly \$200,000 shortfall for 2011. The pledge goal did not reach the target we had set, nor did we receive

any bequest income for the year. In addition we had budgeted proceeds from a major fund-raising activity.

In order to meet this projected shortfall, two primary steps are being taken. First, we are asking all parishioners to revisit their pledge or annual giving to St. Paul's for 2011 and to prayerfully consider making an additional gift to help narrow the gap. A letter has gone out to each household making this request.

We are also raffling off a "Green Car." We have been working closely with Mike Margis at Delray Honda

who has arranged to sell us a new 2011 Honda Civic Hybrid which will be the grand prize in the raffle. Raffle tickets will be \$100.00 each. *The intention of this raffle is to raise funds from people beyond our own St. Paul's members.* It is our hope and expectation that St. Paul's members will enthusiastically sell raffle tickets to family, friends and neighbors. We feel that St. Paul's does so much in and for the community that others will be pleased to participate in this effort.

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Paul's Place: Kathy Fazio, Director

Paul's Place has opened its doors for the beginning of the 12th school year as an after school program which serves the children and families of predominantly low income, Haitian Americans who live in the neighborhood of our church. In the safe haven provided by Paul's Place, the children are tutored by volunteers from the church and community, given music and art instruction, and are offered supervised rec-

reation and an "earned" Friday field trip. Each night the students come together for a nourishing family-style dinner.

With the ongoing troubles in the economy, we felt compelled to open our doors to more students this year, as their families struggle to work, clothe and feed their children. We have a total enrollment of 32 students. We are supporting 16 elementary, 8 middle and 8 high school students. Many of these students who are now in high



school have been with our after school for 7 or 8 years. 14 of our Paul's Place alumnae are currently enrolled in college!

We are grateful to the church for its continued belief in our ministry. We look forward to continuing our work in the community and having a measurable impact on our students' lives. Volunteers are a very important component of our

St. Paul's Day School: Patti Daniell, Director



"Climbing high!" The Day School is entering its 48th year of serving pre-school aged children and their families. Our school offers a high quality "developmentally appropriate" curriculum which includes learning about the love of God and focusing on kindness! Started in 1963, the Day School continues on

its mission to welcome all with love! Spread the good news about St. Paul's Day School! For more info. check out our web-site at: www.stpaulsdayschooldelray.org or call Patti Daniell/Director at 561-278-4729.

From the Senior Warden

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The car will be raffled off at our "Outreach at the Beach" event. This will take place at the Colony Cabana Club (east of Linton on the ocean) on December 2. We are grateful to St. Paul's members Jestena Boughton and Hilary Roche of the Colony Hotel for their strong support of this effort. Tickets for this event are being sold for \$50.00 each and there

are only 175 tickets available, so be sure to buy yours early! Also, please note that the \$50.00 covers the cost of the party only; to win the car you must purchase a separate raffle ticket.

I urge you to do your part in supporting these fund-raising efforts of our parish church which is so dear to me and I am confident is as dear to you as well. Please look for information about these efforts:

the car raffle; the request for an additional gift on your pledge and information about the December 2nd "Outreach at The Beach" event and, most of all, be sure to sell lots of raffle tickets!

Thank you for your support.

Faithfully yours,

Mary Whittemore,

Senior Warden

Children, Youth and Families: Susan Stokes, Director

“O God, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world...” (BCP p. 829)

St. Paul’s Children, Youth and Family Ministry offers children and youth stability and solid ground on which to grow and develop so that they can become the persons God created them to

be. These ministries are rooted in worship, study, service and fellowship! We establish connections with the everyday events of our children’s lives and the milestones that families experience which make the ordinary holy: the blessings of Bibles, Christmas stockings, backpacks, our high school and college graduates and of

those taking the FCATS. In March of 2012 our J2A group will be going on pilgrimage to Canterbury. In 2010, thanks to a generous bequest from Fr. John Mangrum, we were able to call Chris Pasquale as our part-time Youth Minister. This was a clear example of what intentional planned giving accomplishes for the generations to come.



Music at St. Paul’s Dr. Keith Paulson Thorp

For twenty-four years Music at St. Paul’s has brought the wonder of music to the greater Delray Beach community. The series includes a variety of music, including jazz and choral music, all varieties of chamber music and, of course, our popular annual Festival of Lessons and Carols for Christmas. This year our Festival will present music from the American colonies, North and South, Spanish, French, Portuguese and English. It will be unique and unforgettable.

St. Paul’s is also the only concert venue in Palm Beach County to present ongoing performances of early music played on original instruments. On November 20 our own Camerata del Ré

will showcase Italian music of the 17th and 18th centuries, including the first Florida performance of Vivaldi’s D minor flute concerto “Il Gran Mogol,” a work that had been lost for almost three centuries and was discovered and premiered last season in Europe. In January we will present the world-renown counter-tenor Drew Minter and his ensemble *Trefoil* in a program of music for the Epiphany. All this is made possible through the generosity of our donors and patrons.

Our concerts unite people of many faiths and all ages in experiencing the transcendent. In the past year we have been able

to refurbish our Wonderful Mason and Hamlin grand piano, one of three superb pianos at St. Paul’s that were acquired through the generosity of our parishioners. This 1932 was in original condition, and showing signs of wear. After eight months of work replacing the pin block, hammers and felts, restringing and revoicing, it is as good as new, and once more able to give voice to the creative imaginations of our amazing guest artists.



Environmental stewards on the *Spirit of the Garden* Tour at Sundy House, 10/16/11.

Mission and Outreach: Rev. Kathleen Gannon

St. Paul’s **I Want to Learn English (IWLE)** lab has served 70 students since opening one year ago! From the neighborhood, from our Paul’s Place families, people are coming to our five-station IWLE computer to learn English that will help them to get jobs and raise their families. Congratulations to lab director Gary Shusas and the volunteer lab administrators for their hard work and spirit-filled hospitality. Our students learn English using Rosetta Stone, are encouraged by IWLE volunteer coaches, and are welcomed and assisted by our volunteers lab administrators. More volunteers welcome!

St. Paul’s hosts our **Family Promise** guests for a week beginning on October 30th. Children and their families in need of shelter are accepted into the program for several months to help them achieve independence. St. Paul’s is one of twelve interfaith congregations that hosts the families, providing dinner, overnight accommodations and above all, hospitality. To volunteer, email FamilyPromise@StPaulsDelray.org.



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St. Paul's Weekend Service Times

Saturday—5pm Illuminated Worship

Sunday—8am Holy Eucharist

10am Children's Chapel

10am Holy Eucharist with Choir

Service schedule until January 8, 2012

The Turnover Shop : Quality Resale Boutique
Shelley Seales, Manager

FINALLY! We are getting our online sales centralized, organized and ready for sale to the world wide online market. This project will increase our contribution towards raising money for Mission and Outreach of St. Paul's. Although the shop contributes to the overall M & O budget, some of the specific missions that our efforts at the shop support are Paul's Place, Children's Feeding Program in Bondeau, Haiti, Caring Kitchen/C.R.O.S. Ministries and Family Promise.

We have had many, many beautiful quality items donated over the years. We carry a high quality level of merchandise in the shop, but, there are items that would sell for their true value in a larger market. And that is the online market.

The upstairs space became

available at the end of August, and since then we have been cleaning, and organizing the space; consolidating, sorting and moving all of our online merchandise into the space. Utilizing this on-sight space – above the shop makes all the difference in the world as to the success.

We are very excited and would welcome support and volunteers. We don't want to diminish what we have established with the shop; so many return customers and people who recommend us to their friends and family. Not a day goes by without someone saying how much they "love" our shop. It is a wonderful representation of our church and the caring people that are part of St. Paul's.

Please come and join us –
10 NE 5th Ave—
or call 276-2073.

Worship, Study, Serve

WORSHIP opportunities are expanding at St. Paul's:

On **Thursdays**- two services—beginning November 3

12:10pm – Holy Eucharist with healing - (we have moved the 10am service to this lunch time spot)

6:15pm - Holy Eucharist – come on your way home from a busy day – or before the evening bible study.

Contemplative Prayer- Mondays, beginning 10/24, with Teresa Bennet Pasquale .

Also the church will be open for prayer on **Tuesdays from 6 to 8pm**
Thursday from 10:45 to noon and after the 6:15pm service.

STUDY opportunities:

TUESDAYS
Preacher's Bible Study
7:15am - Coffee, donuts, lessons for Sunday.

Foundations at 6pm
A great place to start

Old Testament at 7:15pm
From the beginning...

THURSDAYS:
Bible in Depth:
Isaiah at 7pm

MONDAYS
beginning November 14th:
"Breathing Under Water"
Pick up a copy of the book by Richard Rohr. Come for discussion at 10am or 7pm

SERVE

See the many opportunities in this edition of the E.vangel!
Volunteers needed for the Turnover Shop and a November Food Drive especially! Call Rev. Kathleen at 276-4541