

*Our vision is to be a growing community
where God is found in the beauty and joy of our worship, the warmth of our welcome,
the breadth of our outreach and our love for our neighbour.*

Sunday 4th October 2026

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Paul's. You can join today's live service online at 10.00 a.m. on our YouTube channel 'St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside' via this direct link: [St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside on YouTube](#), or via one of the links to the YouTube Channel on the St Paul's website: www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk. To receive regular communications from St Paul's by email and text, please update your contact details (email and mobile phone) by sending an email to the Parish Administrator at: office@stpaulsparkside.org.uk

Organ before service	<i>October: Autumn Song from The Seasons by P. Tchaikovsky (1840-1893)</i>
Opening hymn	<i>70 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart</i>
First reading	Philippians 3:4-14 [Paul counts gains as loss compared with knowing Christ]
Gradual hymn	<i>98 Christ is our cornerstone (tune 755)</i>
Gospel	Matthew 21:33-46 [Parable of the villainous vineyard tenants]
Preparation hymn	<i>463 My song is love unknown</i>
Communion hymns	<i>13 All for Jesus 45 As the deer pants for the water</i>
Final hymn	<i>706 Warm as the sun (tune 733)</i>
Final music	<i>Finale from The Carnival of the Animals by Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921) piano duet - celebrating World Animal Day and the 4th October feast day of Saint Francis of Assisi</i>

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Collect	Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.
Post Communion Prayer	We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever. Amen.

Readings: Billie Stephens, Isabel Heycock. **Intercessions:** Joan Endean.

Coffee after the service: Please join us for coffee in the lounge after this morning's service.

Birthdays in the month of October

1 st	Alistair Butcher	6 th	Richard Simon
3 rd	Marc Stoneham	29 th	Amber Bonham-Carter
4 th	Benjamin Bower		

What we possess, we do not own but merely hold in trust

— Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks

Notices



If you would be interested in becoming involved in the ministry of “church-sitting” in pairs to welcome guests, there is a signup sheet for **Saturday mornings only, 10 a.m. - 12 noon**, on the noticeboard at the back of church, if you can help on an occasional basis. Other days are also possible. Please have a word with Rev'd Susan or the churchwardens.

Services this week

Evening prayers will be held at **6 p.m. this evening**.

St Paul's Pantry: Next opening is **Thursday 8th October**.



Tea and Toys



Tea and Toys Playgroup for babies, toddlers and their parents/carers runs on **Tuesdays** during term time from **9-30 - 10.30 a.m..**

Church Notices



Messy Church today at 4:00 p.m.! Please join us for stories, craft, games, food and lots of fun. Remember - it's not just for kids. Everyone is welcome!

Parkside Post Thanks to all who have contributed material for our parish magazine. Copies are now available for distribution. If you already have an assigned delivery route, named bags are available by the PCC board. If you'd be happy to take an unassigned set of addresses, to deliver when you can in the next couple of weeks, please pick one up from the welcome table opposite the door - if you do this, please remember to sign it out on the list on the table and to return the plastic bag and card when you're done (they are hard to replace!)

Confirmation classes These will begin after this morning's service, in preparation for a deanery confirmation service with Bishop Martin on the evening of **Tuesday 10th November** at St Anne's Church, Wandsworth. Please speak to Revd Susan if you wish to join - no commitment to being confirmed is required, and you're equally welcome to come along if you want to explore or refresh your engagement with the Christian faith!

We are planning another popular **Craft and Flower Morning on October 31st, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**, featuring ideas to decorate your home for the Christmas seasons, plus a craft activity to have a go at. Refreshments available and everyone welcome, as are donations towards expenses and the church Christmas flowers. Please see Lesley Hazel or Doreen Hewitt to book your place.

Revd Jack's licensing in his new parish will be on **Tuesday 3rd November at 7:00 p.m.** in St Bartholomew's Church and Centre, East Ham. There will be the option to travel together as part of a group, leaving from Southfields Tube station at 5:30 p.m. Further details, including how to sign up, to follow.

Christmas Fayre: Saturday 21st November 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring to the back of the church during October: Bric-a-Brac - useful household and garden items - electrical items will be PAT-tested before resale; Christmas decorations, unused drawing & painting materials; Books, records, CDs. gifts - toiletries, soap etc.; Children's toys and games; Children's clothes Fara Kids' quality, dressing up clothes; High-quality clothes 'aka' vintage clothes, **No** underwear, sports clothes or T-shirts. **Please make in advance and put aside:** Jams, chutneys, jellies, bottled fruit, pickled vegetables, items to sell - sewers, crocheters, knitters, woodturners, jewellers, painters, soap makers. **Please make the day before to sell:** Bread, cakes, scones. Thank you so much for your generosity. Any questions email anne.minors@soundspacevision.com.

St Paul's Pantry: We still need your help to keep the Pantry well stocked and now need the following items: Tuna (in brine or spring water); Baked Beans & Sausages; Baked Beans; Chopped Tomatoes; Butter Beans; Kidney Beans; Chickpeas (all in tins); Raspberry Jam; Honey; Peanut butter; Chocolate Spread; Coco Pops; Porridge Oats; Shreddies; Orange Squash; Pasta Penne (500 g) Spaghetti (500 g), Fusilli (500 g); Shower Gel; Shampoo; Antiperspirant roll-on/spray - men's & women's; Handwash. Please put your contributions on the table on the right as you enter the church. Thank you very much!

Coffee Rota! We all enjoy the chance to meet each other and chat over a hot drink after morning service at St Paul's. Would you consider joining the rota? It's a great way to get to know other people better. It's not difficult to learn the ropes and we will be happy to go through things with you, should you want to find out more. Please speak to Juliet Childs if you think you could help with this important aspect of our fellowship.

Giving: Your giving is what enables St Paul's in all its services and work in the community. Everything that happens here is carried by the **prayers, volunteering and generous giving** of our congregation and guests. Giving - in gifts and acts of service - is at the heart of all we do as a church, but all the gifts we receive are hugely appreciated and make a difference. You can give using the **card reader** at the door; cash or cheque in a **giving envelope** can be dropped in the box near the door. If you are a UK taxpayer, **please consider filling in the Gift Aid declaration** on the envelope to make your gift go even further. You can also give a one-off donation using **this QR code**.



The pew sheet: Please send notices to pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk. The deadline for next Sunday's pew sheet is midday **Tuesday 6th October**

Future Services		In church and online
4th October 4:00 p.m. Messy Church 4th October 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer 7th October 12 noon Midweek Communion 11th October 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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