

*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 7th September 2025
First Sunday of Creationtide

Welcome to St Paul's. We are pleased to welcome Michael Chapman as he leads our music this week. 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

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Organ before service	<i>Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier</i> by J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
Opening hymn	58 <i>Awake my soul and with the sun</i> (vv 1-4, 8)
First reading	Genesis 1.1-25
Gradual hymn	629 <i>Teach me my God and King</i>
Gospel	John 1.1-5
Preparation hymn	757 <i>Ye servants of the Lord</i>
Communion organ	<i>Schönster Herr Jesu</i> by Hermann Schroeder (1904 - 1984)
Communion hymn	590 <i>Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God</i>
Final hymn	188 <i>Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go</i>
Final voluntary	<i>Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go</i> ; Variations on old psalm-tunes by George Dyson (1883 - 1964)

In the created world around us we see the Eternal Artist, Eternal Love at work.

Evelyn Underhill

Thank you for your generosity! St Paul's depends on your prayers, and your gifts of time, talents and resources to enable all that we do together in mission. If you'd like to make a one-off financial donation today, please scan the QR code.



Please take this copy of the pew sheet with you for your personal use

Collect	Lord of all love and glory, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Creation; increase in all true unity; nourish the world with all goodness; and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen
Post Communion Prayer	Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: Isabel Heycock, William Fairbarns. **Intercessions:** Rosemary Booth.

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

Birthdays in the month of September

5 th	Lesley Hazel	28 th	Rachel Hunt
9 th	David Mulaki	30 th	Margaret Brown
25 th	Andrew Raeburn		

Notices

The church is also open during the week for **private prayer**. *There are vacancies to be filled on **Fridays***. If you can help out to expand these hours, please contact **Terry Woolgar** at telkay42@gmail.com or 01737 362 270. Please note the times of opening may vary.

OPENING TIMES		
Mondays	2 pm -	4 pm
Tuesdays	10 am -	12 am
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Wednesday	11:30 am -	12:30 pm
Thursdays	10 am -	12 am
Saturdays	10 am -	12 am
Sundays	9 am -	10 am
	6 pm -	7 pm

Services this week

Evening prayers will be held at **6 p.m. this evening**. Join Rev'd Susan and Rev'd Jack for **Morning and Evening Prayer** at **9:00 a.m.** and **6:00 p.m.** in the Lady Chapel Monday to Thursday, and **Midday Eucharist** on **Wednesdays**.

St Paul's Pantry: Next Opening is **Thursday 11th September, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**



Tea and Toys



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

Church Events



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

Altar Serving: We are always delighted to hear from anyone who'd be interested in joining our serving team, who carry a cross or candles in procession and help to prepare the communion table. We're also pleased to announce that we've received a grant of £1,750 from the Lady Peel Trust to fund new albs and equipment (as well as Junior Church resources).

Adults and children are equally welcome; training is provided, and no experience is necessary. Please speak to Rev'd Susan, Rev'd Jack or Claire Neate for more information.



Flower Team: We all appreciate the hard work and creativity of our Flower Team, who prepare exquisite arrangements every week. The team are now asking whether we can help them with these displays, to ensure that we do have fresh flowers in church every week. For example, if you have a garden, could you provide some greenery two or three times a year? The team are happy to come to pick if that makes it easier to donate. Or would you like to develop your skills in flower arrangement by joining the weekly rota? Any help that you can give will be very welcome. Please speak to Doreen or email her at doreenhewitt@yahoo.co.uk.

Creationtide Prayer Boards Thank you for those who have supported the development of the prayer stations that will decorate the church for Creationtide. We are still looking for volunteers to be on a rota to **bake bread or purchase grapes**, so they could be refreshed each week. Please speak to Rev'd Jack in the week ahead with any offers of help!

Blessing of the Animals Service, Sunday 21st September, 4:00 p.m.: Everyone - and their pets! - are warmly invited to this family service. All animals are welcome, but please ensure they are on leads or otherwise appropriately secured.



Kingston Episcopal Area lay conference on "Confident Faith in a Changing World" at St Cecilia's School, Saturday 20th September, 9.30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Keynote speaker: Rowan Williams. Free entry (£5-10 invited donation) to include lunch and refreshments, as well as childcare for primary-school age children. Places are limited, so please sign up by scanning the QR code on the poster on the noticeboard, or by visiting this address:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/kingstonepiscopalarea/1706817>

Peace Doves at Southwark Cathedral: Our cathedral is hosting Peter Walker's beautiful installation of handmade paper doves offering prayers for peace. It is free to experience during the cathedral's opening hours (and late openings until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays) until 13th September. (Photo credit: Will Bacon)



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 9th September**.

Future Services In church and online	
7th September, 4 p.m. Messy Church 7th September, 6:00 p.m.: Evening Prayer 10th September, 12 noon: Midweek Communion 14^h September, 10:00 a.m.: Holy Communion for Second Sunday of Creationtide	
Contacts at St Paul's	
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