

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 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to St Paul's. We are pleased to welcome Michael Chapman as he leads our music over the coming weeks. 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: <a href="St Paul">St Paul's Wimbledon Parkside on YouTube</a>, or via one of the links to the YouTube Channel on the St Paul's website: <a href="https://www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk">www.stpaulsparkside.org.uk</a>

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Organ before service			
Opening hymn	<b>565</b> Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven		
Epistle	Hebrews 12.18-end		
Gradual hymn	232 God that madest earth and heaven		
Gospel	Luke 13.10-17		
Preparation hymn	503 O Jesus I have promised		
Communion hymn	381 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence		
Final hymn	<b>205</b> Glorious things of thee are spoken		
Final voluntary			

#### Sabbath is resistance:

it declares that the world will not define us by our anxiety or our work, but by the God who gives life.

-Walter Brueggemann

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	Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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	God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy	
Prayer	should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with	
-	your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never	
	wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen	

Readings: Guy Booth, Terry Woolgar. Intercessions: Sue Chick.

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

## Birthdays in the month of August

Shirley Thompson Helena Butcher		Christine Brown James Harper-Jones		Kevin Jones Peter Yu
 Ben Peart Cathy Ho	25 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Peart	30 <sup>th</sup>	Jamie Crooks

#### **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 <u>telkay42@gmail.com</u> 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 4th 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**

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 - we need your help! Plans are underway for a series of interactive sensory prayer stations to decorate the church for Creationtide. To enable this, we'd be grateful for donations of potting soil, packs of seeds and feathers (from craft kits or similar) - and for anyone who'd be willing to be on a rota to bake bread or purchase grapes, so they could be refreshed each week. Please speak to Rev'd Susan in the week ahead with any offers of help!

Merton Pride, Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August: St Paul's has registered (as have other local Inclusive Churches) to march as a member organisation at this inaugural festival. Gather at Morden Hall Park any time from 10:00 a.m. for a community fair, with the march starting at 1:00 p.m. and following the River Wandle to Merton Abbey Mills, where there will be further activities from 2:00 p.m. Families very welcome! If you're interested in joining the group, please speak to Rev'd Susan or Rev'd Jack.

Kingston Episcopal Area lay conference on "Confident Faith in a Changing World" at St Cecilia's School, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 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 <u>pewsheet@stpaulsparkside.org.uk</u>. The deadline for next Sunday's pew sheet is midday Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

#### **Future Services**

In church and online

24th August, 6:00 p.m.: Evening Prayer

**27**<sup>th</sup> **August, 12 noon:** Midweek Communion

31st August, 10:00 a.m.: Holy Communion for Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

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