

*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 13th September 2026
Second Sunday of Creationtide

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>With verdure clad</i> from <i>The Creation</i> by Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)
Opening hymn	244 <i>Gracious God, in adoration (tune 225)</i>
First reading	Job 38.1-18 [The Lord speaks to Job ... "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation?"]
Gradual hymn	139 <i>Dance and sing, all the earth</i>
Gospel	Matthew 5.13-16 ["let your light shine"]
Preparation hymn	25 <i>All things bright and beautiful</i>
Communion hymn	512 <i>O Lord of ev'ry shining constellation (tune 533)</i>
Final hymn	414 <i>Lord of all life and power (tune 137)</i>
Final voluntary	<i>Hail! bounteous Lord, Almighty hail!</i> from <i>The Creation</i> by Joseph Haydn (1732-1809)

If we learn to love the earth, we will find labyrinths, gardens, fountains and precious jewels! A whole new world will open itself to us. We will discover what it means to be truly alive.

Teresa of Avila

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.



Collect	God our Father, you never cease the work you have begun and prosper with your blessing all human labour: make us wise and faithful stewards of your gifts that we may serve the common good, maintain the fabric of our world and seek that justice where all may share the good things you pour upon us; 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	God our creator, you give seed for us to sow and bread for us to eat: as you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist, so we ask you to give all your children their daily bread, that the world may praise you for your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Readings: Jacqueline Johnson, Richard Simon. **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 September

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

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**. Join Revd Jack and Revd Susan for **Morning and Evening Prayer, Mondays to Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**, and **Midday Eucharist** on **Wednesdays**.

St Paul's Pantry: Next opening is **Thursday 24th September**.



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

Praying for our next diocesan bishop: We have been asked to keep this weekend as a time of special prayer for the process for those discerning our next Bishop of Southwark. Bookmarks and flyers with the Vacancy Prayer are available at the back of church, and on the diocesan website. An Evensong dedicated to it will be held this afternoon at Southwark Cathedral at 3:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer in the style of Taizé this evening in the nave at 6 p.m.

We welcome Sophie Roberts, the Diocesan Environmental Officer, to preach as part of our Creationtide celebrations **next Sunday at 10 a.m.**

Harvest Festival, Sunday 27th September: Please join us for our 10 a.m. Eucharist, which will be followed by a two-course lunch from Salt & Pepper - this will also mark Revd Jack's last service with us. Please sign up for lunch on the sheet on the noticeboard. A donation is requested of **£16 per adult, £5 per child aged 5-11, under-5s free**, ideally to be paid in advance. Instructions about payment are available at the back of church. Please speak to Doreen Hewitt if you wish to hand over cash today, or to have a conversation about a subsidised place.

Harvest decorations: We will be decorating the church for our harvest celebration on **Saturday September 26th, from 10:30 a.m.** If you can help on the day, provide garden greenery, or would like to make a donation towards the flowers, please speak to Doreen Hewitt after the service. We will also be collecting dry goods for the pantry, and any fresh produce used for decorating will be sold on the 27th, with proceeds going to the pantry.

Black History Month Service of Thanksgiving, Saturday 3rd October at Southwark Cathedral. Themed around "Honouring our Communities & Sharing our Stories", this will include a Eucharist at 11:00 a.m. followed by a reflection session at 1:00 p.m. hosted by the Area Racial Justice Groups, to hear how parishes and groups are implementing the Anti-Racism Charter. See the poster on the noticeboard for more details and to register.

Revd Jack's licensing in his new parish will be on **Tuesday 3rd November at 7:00pm** in St Bartholomew's Church and Centre, East Ham. Further details, including sign-up and travel arrangements, will be shared nearer the time.

Please see the **pastoral letter from Bishop Martin**, including dates for some future study sessions, on the noticeboard at the back of church.

Altar serving: We are keen to recruit new members for our serving team, who carry a cross or candles in procession and help to prepare the communion table. Adults and children are equally welcome; full training is provided, and you can volunteer as frequently or infrequently as suits your schedule. Please speak to Claire Neate or one of the clergy for more information.

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.

St Paul's Pantry: We still need your help to keep the Pantry well stocked and particularly need the following at the moment: Sardines in brine/spring water; Mackerel fillets in tomato sauce; Meatballs in tomato sauce; Hot dogs (tins or jars); Long-life milk (1 litre); Tinned sweetcorn (325 g); Mayonnaise; Tomato ketchup; Peach slices; Pineapple chunks; Orange marmalade; Strawberry jam; Tinned custard; Tinned rice pudding; Wheat biscuits ('Weetabix'); Cornflakes (500g); Rice Pops; Washing up liquid. Please bring your contributions and place them on the table on your right as you enter the church. Thank you very much!

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 15th September**.

Future Services		In church and online
13th September 6:00 p.m. Taizé Evening Prayer		
16th September 12 noon Midweek Communion		
20th September 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion for the Third Sunday of Creationtide		
Contacts at St Paul's		
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