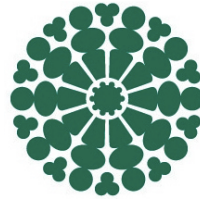


# THE EPISTLE



ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Following Jesus together in prayer, worship and service.*

## From the Rector

Dear Friends-

Welcome to the busy month of November at St. Paul's! As you'll see when you peruse this newsletter, we have activities that range from a mini-prayer retreat to a movie debut to keep you engaged with the good people of St. Paul's and with issues and practices that matter.

As you ponder which events you will go to, please be sure and fill out your pledge card. Your generosity ensures that we can continue to give you the things you need to keep growing in love of God and neighbor. The in-gathering of pledge cards is Sunday, November 11th.

In these stressful times it is so good to have a beautiful sacred space in which to gather and remember that the final word from God is love and forgiveness.

Faithfully,

Christopher



The St. Anne's Book Sale was a huge success this year! Thanks to all who supported it in so many ways. And kudos to the belles of St. Anne's for their tireless work, remarkable organization and good cheer in this great effort benefiting outreach ministries at St. Paul's.

## Sunday Morning Book Group

“LIVING BUDDHA, LIVING CHRIST”  
On Sunday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, a small group of bright-minded inklings will be starting a convivial book discussion of the classic bestseller by poet, Zen master and mystic, Thich Nhat Hanh. It should be a rich exchange as we contemplate peace, love and compassion at a time in history when the world could certainly use more of all three.  
All are invited to join us in the Upper Room of Duncan Hall, between 11:30 and 12:30, immediately following the coffee hour.

### Ingathering of Christmas Gifts for Ritter Center

This holiday season St. Paul's will be collecting Christmas gifts for the clients of Ritter Center in San Rafael--children, teens and homeless adults. There will be lists for ideas of what to give, and new, unwrapped items can be donated. Please look for the barrel in Duncan Hall starting on November 8th. Thank you for supporting our ongoing ministry to Ritter Center!



For more information please visit our website at [StPaulsSanRafael.org](http://StPaulsSanRafael.org).  
Join the community on Facebook and Twitter. Church Office Phone: 415-456-4842.

## Downing Library Book of the Month

by Tom Witt

Beauty is the theme of November's Book of the Month and our featured purveyor is German Renaissance painter, illustrator and print maker, Albrecht Dürer.

The Downing Library is now stocked with 11 books devoted to this rule-breaking revolutionary ("the Steve Jobs of the 16th century," as Donn describes him). Here are just a few of the volumes, all located on the upper left shelf of our bookcase:

- ❖ **The Revelation of Saint John the Divine**, by Albrecht Dürer. The first English translation by Tyndale featuring 16 full-page woodcuts. First published in Nuremberg in 1498 when the artist was just 27 years old, this collection of images made Dürer's name and fame. No. 83 of only 240 copies, 1901.
- ❖ **Albrecht Dürer's Renaissance: Humanism, Reformation, and the Art of Faith**, by David Hotchkiss Price, 2006.
- ❖ **Prints and the Pursuit of Knowledge in Early Modern Europe**, by Susan Dackerman, Editor. 2012.

Come explore the fascinating life and art of Dürer in the Downing Library on the second floor above Duncan Hall. To borrow any book, just fill out a library card with your name, book title, author and date. As always, viel Spaß beim Lesen.

### St. Paul's Book Club

meets Friday, Nov. 16th at 7 p.m. in Duncan Hall. The book we will be discussing is Almost Sisters by Joshilyn Jackson. This story begins when a woman discovers she is going to have an interracial baby. Then she takes off for Alabama to check on her grandmother. She has a lot of explaining to do. Everyone is welcome! For information contact Joy Moss 415.479.6930.

### St. Anne's Guild weekly lunch

St. Anne's would be delighted to have anyone who would be interested in our group. Join us on Thursdays. We start at 11:00 in Duncan Hall and some of us knit. Bring your sandwich and we'll have tea and cookies. We have good conversation and enjoy one another.

### How can I serve the least of these?

**Teen Success Breakfast:** Breakfast served with love to hungry teens at the Community School. Contact Ginny Horton: 415.785.7011 or hornlocker@comcast.net.

**San Rafael Health Care:** Help lead a simple worship service with prayers and songs for the residents at the 5th Ave. Health Care center. 11:00 – 11:25 on 1st and 3rd Sunday. Children are welcome. Contact Sue Adamson at 415.461.1798.

**Death Row Ministry:** **Next meeting** is 5:30-6:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14, in the upper room of Duncan Hall. What began more than 20 years ago as visits and correspondence between St. Paul's rector and one inmate has grown to the involvement of 15 volunteers from three churches and 11 inmates. Christ's standing invitation about loving neighbors gets specific in Matthew 25:31-40: feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, visit the prisoner ... and "whatever you did for one of least least brothers of mine, you did it for me." If you're interested or just curious, you are welcome to attend.

### What is Your Next Spiritual Step?

- **Morning Prayer:** Tuesday at 7:30am in the church.
- **Bible Studies**
  - Wednesdays 10-11am: Gospel of Mark
  - Thursday 6:15-7:15pm: Ecclesiastes
- **Spiritual Forum:** Sundays 9-9:40am: Reading Early English Christian poetry. Duncan Hall.
- **Christian meditation:** 2nd & 4th Sunday at 7pm in the Upper Room.
- **Afternoon 20-minute meditation in the church:** Tuesdays at 5pm  
Thursdays at 5:45
- **Discipleship Groups:** small groups with a longer term commitment focused on spiritual maturity and loving community with the poor.

St. Paul's offers many ways for you to learn, pray and grow spiritually

## St. Paul's History Corner

By Joy Moss

As we celebrate St. Paul's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, let's take a look at some of the former church members who are memorialized with their gifts to the glory of God and in remembrance of loved ones.

On the right side of the church just beyond the choir pews is a plaque that reads:

"This flag has been placed in memory of the men from this parish who gave their lives in World War II"  
"One star different from another star in glory" 1 Cor.15:14

The men who are listed are: Harry L. Evans, Starring B. Winfield, Wallace A. Broadfoot, Augustus Douglas Teskey Jessie King Jackson and Charles McCaskey.

The County of Marin has a World War II memorial on the Avenue of the Flags near the Marin Veterans Memorial Theater. The names of Harry Evans, Starring Winfield, Augustus Teskey, and Charles McCaskey appear on the plaques there.

Here are brief biographies of the men from St. Paul's Church:

**+Harry Evans** was born in San Francisco. He lived in San Rafael with his family. He attended San Rafael High, graduating in 1929. He attended Yale and joined the Marines in 1942. He was a First Lieutenant, serving in the Solomon Islands and Okinawa. He died May 18, 1945. He is buried in the Honolulu Memorial Cemetery.

**+Starring Brooks Winfield** was a radioman first class in the U.S. Navy. He had attended San Rafael High and Marin Junior College. He served on the U.S.S. Oklahoma and was killed in the attacks on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese in December, 1941. His name is listed on the Pearl Harbor Memorial in Honolulu.

**+Wallace Alexander Broadfoot** was in the U.S. Army. He was a Warrant Officer, stationed in Alaska. His plane crashed when he was going to visit his mother who was injured in a car accident in 1943. This was a non-combat death. Wallace is not listed on the Marin World War II Memorial. He is buried in the Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno...

...to read the rest please visit [StPaulsSanRafael.org](http://StPaulsSanRafael.org)

## Children and Youth at St. Paul's

Children of all ages are welcomed and encouraged to attend services, and, as they grow, to participate in leading the services as readers and acolytes. Nursery care is always available in the lower classroom during the 10am service.

Here's the schedule for school-age kids:

11/4 - Godly Play

11/11 - Music Sunday with Libby

11/18 - Godly Play

11/25 - Family Sunday, worshipping together in church

For more info: Kati Dombrosky: [kdombrosky@gmail.com](mailto:kdombrosky@gmail.com) 415-846-1700



## Marin Episcopal Youth Group

The Marin Episcopal Youth Group is off to an amazing start! These young people have been serving the community in a host of ways, including gleaning the fields at Green Gulch Farm and Zen Center, where they also spent some time meditating, distributing food at the Marin Food Bank, and serving lunch at the St. Vincent de Paul free dining room. They've also been meeting at Nativity church to talk about the theme of "Everyday Heroes" in conjunction with the values of the Bible. Middle and High schoolers are welcome. Contact Rev. Gerry Caprio at [geraldcaprio@hotmail.com](mailto:geraldcaprio@hotmail.com).

**Death Cafe**

Sunday, November 11, 4-6 pm,  
Duncan Hall

An open and uplifting conversation about  
death and dying, life and living.  
With Cookies!

RSVP to [chloedmartin@comcast.net](mailto:chloedmartin@comcast.net)

**KAIROS 52 IN SAN QUENTIN**

Tom Witt will be leading an ecumenical team of 50+ volunteers into San Quentin this coming President's Day weekend (Feb. 15-18). As on every Kairos retreat, we welcome your prayers of support as we share the message of Christ's unconditional love and forgiveness with those behind bars.

If anyone from St. Paul's would like to attend the Closing Ceremony on Monday evening, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, please speak with Tom or Jim Ward for more details. (Clearance requests need to be submitted by Dec. 7th.) Most first-time visitors find the Closura to be a uniquely powerful and uplifting experience.



Vestry Champagne Brunch



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