



In 2023, we welcomed **Mother Brittany Sparrow Savage** as our Assistant Rector and School Chaplain, **JW Keckley** as our Communications Director, and Deacon **Robin Rusconi**.



THE BRAND NEW
STPAULSKCMO.ORG

Since we launched our website re-design early in 2023, it has received nearly 8,000 visits from almost 6,000 unique people.

JUST THIS YEAR, WE HAVE SEEN:

39 New St. Paul's community members.

24% Increased average Sunday attendance.

17 Weddings, baptisms, and funerals.

38 St. Paul's Episcopal Day School chapels hosted.

38 Weeks of contemplative Godly Play stories told.

25% Reach increase on our social media.

90% Page view increase on our social media.

2718 Monthly visitors to our Food Pantry.

9 New voices in the St. Paul's Adult Choir.



ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ST. PAUL'S STEWARDSHIP 2024

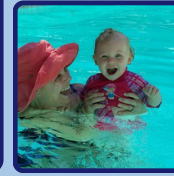
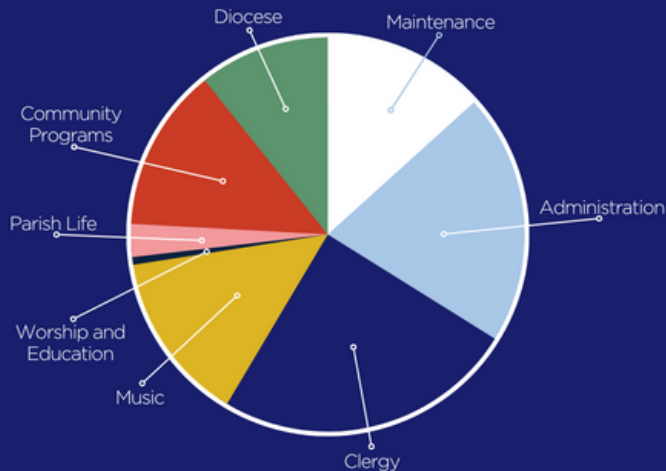
They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought, it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

Jeremiah 17:8



For 2023, this is how we planned to use our resources to support our mission. Join us in 2024 as we expand our reach, embracing new opportunities to serve and grow together. Here, we are Rooted in Abundance, ready to make a positive impact in our church and in our community.

2023 FUND ALLOCATION



HERE AT ST. PAUL'S, WE ARE ROOTED IN ABUNDANCE.

Dear People of St. Paul's,

This year's stewardship campaign has centered on the theme Rooted in Abundance. Roots sink deep in soil seeking nourishment in order to bring forth life. Roots search relentlessly for this nourishment that is good and right for what they need. Roots provide stability and structure, they enable beauty to shine forth, and they give life to the world.

We invite you to use this brochure as a launching point to reflect on the last year of life and ministry at St. Paul's. When you do, you will no doubt see that the abundance brought forth from the roots planted long-ago—and some quite recently—by so many saints of God and even you.

New life has come forth in our continued growth of the children's and youth ministry, as Sunday Children's Worship and Godly Play have continued their growth, and we have a renewed focus on building a youth program here. New life has come forth in our music program as our choir has continued to grow, and in our food ministries as we have continued to meet the increasing needs of our neighbors, and in our school community as we have expanded our pastoral presence in their midst. New life has come forth in our increased worship attendance and engagement, our expanded formation offerings for all ages, and in our readiness to prayerfully care for those in our midst in ways that are often unseen. **Surely God's abundance has nourished these roots planted at St. Paul's!**

This abundance also points us forward, as we look forward to both the new and familiar ways the roots we continue to plant both here and throughout our community show forth God's abundance in so many ways. Your pledge is a hope-filled proclamation that we continue to be a people committed to dwelling in God's abundance over scarcity, to sharing and giving that which has been entrusted to us, and to using this abundance for the building up of our corner of God's Kingdom.

Joining with the vestry, we ask you to prayerfully consider a financial pledge as a response to the abundant movement of God in your life and the life we share at St. Paul's. We are asking that, if you are able, you consider increasing your pledge—even 1%—as we look to continue to be responsive to God's movement in our lives and at St. Paul's. This is a commitment that we are making with our families, and we hope you will too.

The deepest and most sure sign of God's abundance in our lives is the community of St. Paul's in all of you. Thank you for the ways you continue to witness to this, and thank you for the ways you continue to support our common life.

_____ Gabe Beam, Senior Warden _____

_____ Fr. Steven King, Rector _____