Calendar of Events

October 2026

Thursday, October 1
9:00 a.m. – Blue Hatters (Church Campus)

Sunday, October 4 - First Sunday Sharing
9:30 a.m. – Meet & Greet (W. Hall)
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
10:45 a.m. – Worship Service

Monday, October 5
10:00 a.m. – Bible Study (Library)
5:00 p.m. – Meal served at Samaritan House
6:00 p.m. – Covenant Circle (Wann. Hall)

Tuesday, October 6
5:30 p.m. – Trustee Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, October 7
10:00 a.m. – Knitting & Crocheting
5:30 p.m. – Wednesday Night Supper (Wannamaker Hall)

Thursday, October 8
9:00 a.m. – Blue Hatters (Church Campus)

Sunday, October 11
9:30 a.m. – Meet & Greet (W. Hall)
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
10:45 am. – Worship Service

Monday, October 12
10:00 a.m. – Bible Study (Library)

Wednesday, October 14
10:00 a.m. – Knitting & Crocheting

Sunday, October 18 – Family & Friends Day
9:30 a.m. – Meet & Greet (W. Hall)
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
10:45 am. – Worship Service

Monday, October 19
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study (Library)
5:30 p.m. – Finance Meeting (Library)

Tuesday, October 20
5:30 p.m. – Church Council (Library)

Wednesday, October 21
10:00 a.m. – Knitting & Crocheting

Sunday, October 25
9:30 a.m. – Meet & Greet (Wannamaker Hall)
9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
10:45 am. – Worship Service
2:00 p.m. – Charge Conference

Monday, October 26
10:00 a.m. - Bible Study (Library)

Tuesday, October 27
6:00 p.m. – Men for Christ (Wann. Hall)

Wednesday, October 28
10:00 a.m. – Knitting & Crocheting

Saturday, October 31
4 - 6:00 p.m. – Trunk or Treat (Church parking lot across from sanctuary)

Join us for Supper!

October 7
5:30 p.m.
(Wannamaker Hall)

Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, and Dessert
$6.00 per person

October

Jim Cary

Johnny Gillam
Ken Stovall

October 5
Jim Albergotti

October 13 (Tues.)
Don Walter

October 19
Bill Gramling

October 26
Susannah Godowns

October symbolizes a sacred time of transition, release, and divine completeness.

COMMUNITY

Galatians 6:9: "Let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up."

The Samaritan House

needs large & small paper plates, napkins, plastic spoons, & forks.

The Shepherd Ministry

at St. Andrews UMC is accepting dry cereal and oatmeal.

Items may be brought to worship service or the church office, Mon-Thurs, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be available beginning Sunday, October 11th. St. Paul's looks forward to contributing to this mission project again this year.

Please pick up a shoebox in the sanctuary, fill it with items from the list, **(include $10 to help defray the cost of shipping)**.

Shoeboxes will be collected until Sunday, November 8th.

For more information, visit www.samaritanspurse.org

Bible Study is held on Mondays
10 a.m.
Church Library

May your next year be filled with His joy and love. Have a wonderful and blessed day.

October

Sharon Cook	4
Laura Franga	4
Marvin Bonnette	7
Dot Collier	10
Mason Turner	13
Wyndell Dodgins	14
Sandra Owen	14
Nancy Fair	21
Matthew Cox	22
Joshua Cox	27
Bobby Bryant	27
Marcia Huff Adkins	30

Community Blessing Bags

St. Paul's members recently packed Blessing Bags. These bags will be distributed to the Department of Public Safety and church members. They will also be available in the church office. Each bag contains toiletry items, snacks, hand warmers, socks, information about St. Paul's UMC, etc.

St. Paul's United Methodist Church

"WORSHIPING GOD, SERVING OTHERS, OFFERING HOPE"

The Messenger Newsletter **October 2026**

Dear St. Paul's UMC Family,

As we enter the beautiful season of fall, we are reminded of the changing seasons God has placed before us. The changing colors, cooler days, and rhythms of a new season invite us to pause, give thanks, and reflect on God's faithfulness.

As a church family, we are also entering an important season. With the final months of the year ahead of us, this is a wonderful time to renew our commitment to worship, fellowship, service, and ministry. There is still much to accomplish, many lives to touch, and countless opportunities to share the love of Christ with those around us.

Let us not simply look toward the end of the year, but look for ways God is calling us to be faithful right now. Whether through worship, prayer, giving, volunteering, encouraging a neighbor, welcoming someone new, or simply being present for someone who needs a listening ear, every act of faithfulness matters.

As we prepare to finish the year strong, may we do so not through our own strength, but by relying of God's grace and guidance. Let us continue to encourage one another, support the ministries of St. Paul's, and keep our hearts open to where God is leading us.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

May this fall season be a time of renewed faith, deeper fellowship, joyful service, and abundant gratitude. Together, let us finish this year with purpose, hope, and confidence in the God who has been faithful every step of the way.

With gratitude and blessings,

Albert Shuler, Pastor

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St. Paul's UMC

1356 Amelia St.
Orangeburg, SC

You are invited to our annual

Family and Friends Day

Worship at 10:45am

October 18, 2026

Speaker:
Rev. Kenneth Nelson
Orangeburg District UMC Superintendent

Please join us for meal following the worship service in
Wannamaker Hall

RSVP by October 9th to the church office at **803-534-1071** or via email **office@stpaulsorangeburg.com.**

All are welcome.
Nursery will be provided.
Rev. Albert Shuler, Pastor

Church members are asked to bring a side dish and a dessert to Family and Friends Day.

AFRICA UNIVERSITY
A United Methodist-Related Institution

St. Paul's is accepting donations for a yearly scholarship for Africa University.

We would like to provide a full year of support for one student. The goal of $7,000.00 needs to be met by November 30.
So far, we have raised $5,275.00. Please mark your check 'Africa University' when donating. Thank you.