

ST. PAUL'S

Saint Louis, Missouri



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BE LOVED!



Gracious God, as we embark on this journey
of finding a new pastor,
we seek Your divine guidance and wisdom.

We pray for a shepherd who will have
a heart for discipleship, equipping us to grow
in our relationship with You
and empowering us to make disciples
in our community.

May our new pastor be a beacon of light,
leading us in worship that touches hearts
and transforms lives.

Grant us a leader who will challenge us
to step out of our comfort zones and
embrace Your mission with courage and faith.

Lord, bless our search
and reveal Your chosen servant.

In Your precious name, we pray. Amen.

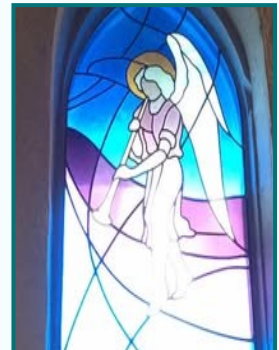
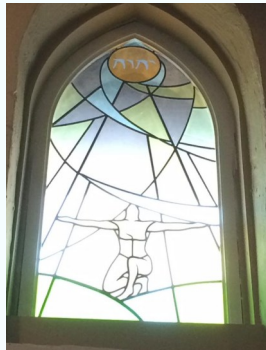
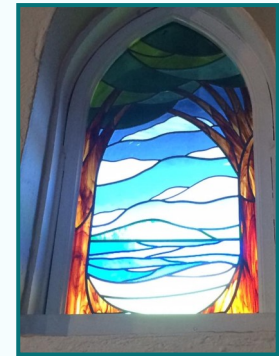


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Our Heart & Soul

Faith and Spiritual Growth



We are a joyful, faith-filled, Trinity-led church. We have faith that Jesus is God, the Word made Flesh, who teaches us how to be faithful and loving stewards of God's Creation. The Holy Spirit inspires us to strive for peace and justice and comforts us in times of stress and sorrow. We come together to hear God's Word and how the Word guides our lives in the modern world. Before Church, we have group discussion of our Old Testament reading of the day and hear members' experience of the lessons taught in the reading. It deepens our understanding of those texts and allows us to see other's point of view. We love to hear the Gospel and letters from the Apostles during service, as well as interpretations of these texts. We come to worship, praise and prayer with joy, and occasionally humor. We are refreshed and renewed by our Sunday services.

Service to Others

When we grow in spirit and faith, we grow in God's grace, strength, and love. God loves each and every one of his creations – no exceptions. We know, however, that there are so many people who go without the basics of food, shelter, and safety. Although no one person can solve these problems, by pooling our resources, people of faith can make a difference by providing meals, clothing, school supplies, and shelter in times of weather emergencies. We provide space for 12-Step Meetings, Narcan (and instruction on use) to reverse drug overdoses in our community, and gun locks to our neighbors to protect children in their homes.

After making repairs and renovations to St. Paul's historic rectory, we teamed up with a local organization, The International Institute, to rent this spacious home to an immigrant family at a substantially reduced rent. We want to build collaborative partnerships with other churches and individuals in our Carondelet neighborhood to make an even greater impact on homelessness, addiction, and poverty-related issues.

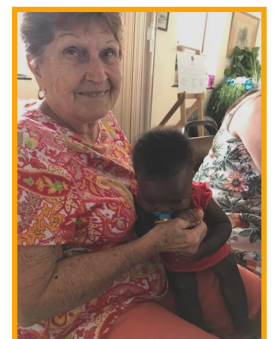


Community

St. Paul's community is so much bigger than just the people who walk through our doors and join us online on Sunday morning. Our community includes all of the saints who have come before us, who by faith, love, and work have kept St. Paul's a functioning member of the Diocese of Missouri. Our community includes the people who live and work in the Carondelet area, the Episcopal Churches in our Diocese and churches of other denominations in the Carondelet area. We strive to work with people and organizations who provide much needed services and look forward to growing these relationships.

Inclusion

Jesus commanded us to love God with all our mind, heart, and soul and to love our neighbor as ourselves. Who is our neighbor? Everyone, everywhere, all the time! At St. Paul's we welcome everyone. We create a safe space for people of every ethnic or cultural background, political or religious affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, ability, and socioeconomic background. Here you can express your ideas and experiences in the safety of a compassionate listening environment and be accepted just as you are. We believe that each person is a beautiful and unique expression of God's love and that we all contribute to God's kingdom on earth. It's not just okay to be different, it is wonderful to be different! So come as you are, and God will meet you here!



Believe, Befriend, BeLoved!
Welcome home!

How We Worship & Serve

St. Paul's Episcopal Church worships our Triune God through regular services as a communion of saints inviting ALL to join in praise and thanksgiving, learn from God's word, and prayer. We also worship in small groups through Bible study and reflection on Sunday mornings and as committees and teams. We worship through service to our community of St. Paul's and to our neighbors. We are a welcoming, affirming faith community and strive to get to know one another and our uniqueness as children of God.

Collective Worship



Our Sunday worship follows the Episcopal liturgy and celebration of the Eucharist. We are a responsive congregation that is involved in the service.

We incorporate a variety of music, both live and recorded. We are open to new and creative ways to praise our Savior and honor our Creator and Redeemer.

We warmly embrace one another and share the peace of our Lord. If you are open to a hug, we have one for you!

We livestream most services. This continues to be an outreach and blessing for many.

Small Groups

We worship in small groups. Sunday morning Bible study gives us an opportunity to connect with one another and grow in Christ. All are open to participate. We have neighbors, some who live on the margins, that will come by during this time for a cup of coffee and the warmth of our space and our community. While they may not worship collectively with us in the Sanctuary, they are part of our community and worship with us during these connections. This is also true for our service ministries.

Ministry as Worship

St. Paul's embraces the call to feed the hungry and care for the poor and needy in our community. Our love of feeding others physically and spiritually is a long-standing commitment and integral part of our faith community. We grow together in this ministry as an act of worship together. We have regular "members" that participate in the community meals and build connections and are part of St. Paul's, even if they do not worship with us in the Sanctuary for collective worship services.



**St. Paul's strives to be the hands and feet, the body of Christ,
in our worship, events, and outreach.**

Events & Outreach

Most of our outreach and events involve breaking bread together, feeding and caring for one another through Christ's love. We mark liturgical holidays with fellowship events, study groups, and special worship services.

Hunger Ministry

Summer Barbeques once a month have become a neighborhood connection building time with lots of good food, conversation, camaraderie, and welcoming all to feel the love of Christ. Fall/Winter First and Third Thursday Meals provide a time to break bread and eat together, getting to know one another, and lifting one another up in Christ's love. Funding for these ministries comes from a diocesan grant and private donations by parishioners.



Blessing Boxes

Designated boxes on the front lawn at St. Paul's are stocked several times a week with food and personal hygiene items. Every Sunday after church we take turns make PBJ sandwiches to stock the box. Neighbors rely on this support.



Addiction

We are aware of addiction issues many neighbors struggle with and the prevalence in our area. We provide space for weekly AA meetings. We also provide free Narcan in our Blessing Box as our commitment to share lifesaving love to those in need.

Supporting the Unhoused

Support for the unhoused in our community also includes free Wi-Fi, outdoor electrical outlets for charging phones, building relationships and checking on their wellbeing, inviting them to join our community events and join us for fellowship. We make care bags to give to those we meet who are unhoused, or who are asking for support at area intersections as we are out and about. Our Parish Hall has an area of essential items and clothing that are free to anyone in need.



Diocesan Participation

Members of our community serve in a variety of Diocesan ministries and provide additional service opportunities through various roles. These include serving on the board of Episcopal Church Women (ECW), the board of Episcopal City Mission (ECM), Commission on Ministry, Gun Violence Prevention, and many other ministries and lay leadership roles in our Diocese.

Celebrating Together

Fellowship is the glue that helps bind our community together, and the rhythm of the liturgical seasons keeps us grounded in faith in a secular culture. Our events are woven with threads of fun, service, and formation. We prepare for Lent and Easter with Shrove Tuesday Pancakes and music, Lenten Study, and "Women of the Passion" — a very moving Holy Week liturgy that complements the Triduum. We celebrate Pentecost with birthday cake and balloons, share new recipes at our Stewardship Potluck, bless our sweet animals on St. Francis Day, and end our Pumpkin Carving party with prayers for the Saints. We celebrate and give thanks in November with a Stewardship Ingathering Chili Cook-off and a Wednesday evening Thanksgiving service. We enjoy being together!



Special Services & Practices

Special Services that grow our faith and build connections:

- Seasonal Bible study and reflections.
- Advent special Sundays with themes and activities, including Hanging of the Greens with a soup potluck, Ugly Christmas Sweater Sunday, and cookie exchange.
- Christmas Eve candlelight Eucharist with Lessons and Carols.
- Christmas Day service with Eucharist and brunch.
- Epiphany special service.
- Annual Meeting.
- Calendar Planning (for services, outreach, and ministry events for the year).
- Annual Vestry Retreat
- Baptism services and honoring our baptism.
- Last Sunday of Epiphany and Burning of the Palms
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
- Ash Wednesday service with Imposition of Ashes.
- Palm Sunday: Blessing of the Palms and Procession beginning on the lawn.
- Easter Sunday with Brunch and Easter Egg Hunt.
- Pentecost Sunday: wearing red and giant red balloon toss with recessional hymn. Picnic outdoors on the lawn with games.
- Gun Violence Prevention Sunday service and providing free gun locks at church events.
- Blessing of the Animals Sunday to worship with our pets and a pet blessing.
- Stewardship season focuses on and challenges us to consider how we share our time, talents, and resources.
- Community Pumpkin Carving, pizza meal, and Vespers
- All Saints Sunday, processing into the Memorial Garden during the worship service to honor the Saints that have gone before us from our community.



Additional ongoing practices:



- Environmentally friendly and sustainable practices include solar panels on our roof, an air quality control monitor on site provides data for research to improve air quality, and recycling and refurbishing what we have for use in our services and ministries.
- Church Clean Up days to care for our building and grounds. Some neighbors partner with us and help care for our grounds and building by mowing the grass and gardening, helping pick up trash, and communicating with vestry members when repairs are needed.
- Continued maintenance and improvements to our facility, staffing and communications in 2025: In May we hired a part-time Administrative Assistant; in June we raised funds and repainted the interior of the church, exterior windows, and wrought iron Memorial Garden; in July we celebrated the completion and posting of a new Website.

“For we live by faith, not by sight.”

2 Corinthians 5:1-7 (NIV)

Our Challenges & Strengths

St. Paul's is a small congregation with a big vision to follow in Jesus' footsteps, feed the hungry, care for our neighbors, and spread unconditional love. We prioritize worship, creative expression, and radical hospitality.

Small, Close-Knit, Diverse Community

Being a "family-sized" congregation blesses us with the ability to know and grow close to one another. We openly share thoughts and ideas during study, when facing challenging circumstances, or making difficult decisions.

We are a mixed bag professionally, socioeconomically, racially, sexual orientation, etc. This blesses us with a variety of spiritual gifts, personalities, and leadership abilities. We are committed to serving our Carondelet community, where there is much need. This keeps us busy and engaged, but we would benefit from more opportunities to have fun and spend time with one another.

St. Paul's is a small congregation with minimal support staff, so we have experienced "burn out" in the past. We learned to be realistic about our expectations and demands placed on our priest and one another. We added a part-time Administrator and increased our bookkeeper's hours so our priest can focus on priestly ministry. Setting attainable and sustainable goals is an important aspect of planning our programs and events.

A Heart for Service and Ministry with the poor

Sharing our blessings and love with those in need – especially through hunger ministry, is the hallmark of our congregation. St. Paul's provides twice-monthly free, hot meals (October – April) and monthly BBQ's (May – September). We fill our outdoor "Blessing Boxes" with PBJ sandwiches, non-perishable food, books, and Narcan; we make "Care Bags" for the unhoused and host other occasional service projects. We provide scholarships to our youth to attend the week-long residential "Camp Firebird" hosted by the Diocese of Missouri. We support diocesan ministries such as Episcopal City Mission (chaplaincy care for children in the juvenile justice system) and Gun Violence Prevention. We distributed 20 gun locks in the past year. We make our building space available for a large 12-step group and provide rent-reduced housing to an immigrant family in our rectory.

We would like to collaborate more fully with other denominations and congregations in our neighborhood, the St. Louis metro area and our diocese, and build ministry partnerships for broader and more profound impact.

Children and Youth

We value children and youth in our church but struggled to provide Sunday School, VBS, or other children's events. While we have a few teens, families with younger children no longer attend – likely due to a lack of programming and the challenges of crime and poverty in our immediate area. We dream of offering regular events for children and youth. This is an important "Growth Opportunity" for St. Paul's.

Welcoming and Affirming Spirit

We want to know and love you just as you are. We embrace "quirky" and lovingly refer to ourselves as the "Island of Misfit Toys." Members of our neighborhood – including the unhoused, drop in for Sunday services from time to time. Visitors are warmly welcomed to all events. Newcomers are given opportunities to become leaders. We make time every Sunday for fellowship to meet visitors, connect with one another, and refreshments.

Laid Back and Flexible

Come as you are to St. Paul's! Wear a fancy hat or jeans. It's OK if every service isn't perfect. (We're pretty sure it's the Holy Spirit reminding us who's in charge!) It's OK if we sometimes make mistakes in our ministries. We learn from past experiences and are strengthened for future endeavors. We are sustained and uplifted by a spirit of cooperation, taking turns leading and supporting one another. Flexibility and kindness are important. Though we schedule worship and ministry leaders as most congregations do, we step up to fill in whenever someone can't serve as scheduled.

Diocesan Involvement

We pride ourselves on actively participating in the life of our Diocese through Convocation meetings and events, at diocesan convention, and serving on Diocesan Council, Commission on Ministry, Episcopal Church Women, Episcopal City Mission board, and Gun Violence Prevention.

Our Top Priorities

Spiritual Growth and Worship

Meaningful Worship Services: Offering inspiring worship experiences, including traditional and contemporary services, music ministry, and liturgical renewal. Seeking Jesus in all we do.

Faith Formation: Providing Bible studies, small groups, and educational programs for all ages to deepen faith and understanding.

Community Outreach and Service

Local Partnerships: We hope to expand and strengthen our ministries by collaborating with neighborhood organizations and charities to address issues such as hunger, homelessness, and social justice.

Volunteer Initiatives: Encouraging congregation members to participate in service projects and outreach events.



Inclusivity and Welcome

Welcoming All: Creating an environment for newcomers, families, and individuals from diverse backgrounds through radical hospitality. Everyone is welcome – no exceptions!



Accessibility: Maintaining and improving our facilities and programs to ensure they are accessible to everyone.

Safe Environment: Ensuring all programs prioritize safety and well-being for children and youth. Limiting access to unattended building spaces during Sunday services, accompanying one another when leaving after dark, and avoiding being alone in the building.

Stewardship and Sustainability

Financial Health: practicing responsible stewardship of resources, transparent budgeting, and sustainable fundraising practices. Securing grants and funding from external sources.

Facility Maintenance: Preserving and improving church buildings and grounds to support ministry and community events.

Heigham House: stewardship of our historic rectory so it can be used as housing for our clergy or as rent-reduced housing for a family in need.



Congregational Care and Fellowship

Pastoral Care: Providing support through counseling, visitation, and prayer for members and our neighbors in need.

Caring for our Priest: Supporting his/her ordained ministry by partnering with our priest in ministry and providing lay leadership. Providing regular time off and encouraging continuing education. Maintaining healthy expectations and boundaries to avoid “burn out”.

Building Community: Organizing fellowship events and setting aside time each Sunday to check in and catch up with one another to strengthen relationships within our parish family. We are intentional about engaging and praying with our neighbors during our hunger ministry meals.

The Rector We Seek

Strong Preacher & Teacher



An extemporaneous, “preaching from the aisle” style of preacher who preaches from the heart and is spirit led. A preacher who is firmly grounded in our Episcopal liturgy and traditions and can weave them together with personal experiences and storytelling to connect the gospel theme to our everyday lives. A teacher who will plan and lead formation that is relevant to our lives, finding creative ways to integrate formation into all areas of church (worship, service, fellowship). Worship and formation are central to our community; everything we are and do starts with an understanding of how to grow in our relationship with Christ.

Pastoral Care

A loving, welcoming, person who will care for our congregation and can appreciate our quirkiness and uniqueness. An individual who will lead and teach us to be the hands and feet, heart and hope of Jesus and how we can care for one another.



Collaborative Leader

A leader who shares responsibilities when appropriate and leads us in discernment (not just an “ideas” person.) Someone who is a good listener and encourages us to bring creative ideas to the table. Someone who will foster broader community involvement to connect us with other congregations in Carondelet, our Convocation and our Diocese to partner in ministry and support one another in serving our neighbors. We are stronger together!

Organized & Focused Leader

A leader who provides guidance and organization to keep us focused on ministry and program priorities. Someone who helps us be realistic about our capacity for ministry. We are few (right now!) but mighty – as we like to say and have faith that God is with us. We need a leader who understands that our eagerness can make us vulnerable to “burn out.” Someone who also knows how to balance a healthy lifestyle, taking care of themselves and their family to avoid becoming “weary in well doing” and encourages us to do the same while modeling a Christ-centered life.

Joyful and Magnetic Spirit:

We love to laugh and have fun at St. Paul’s, and it’s scriptural: “In the presence of the Lord is the fullness of joy.” (Psalm 16:11) We value leadership that is charismatic and inviting, with the ability to draw people in through genuine engagement, warmth, and confidence. We seek a priest with the ability to make others feel valued and energized, inspiring deeper connections and positive interactions within our congregation and ministry partners.



Bonus

Someone with musical talent and experience who will keep in mind the size of our congregation and familiarity of a hymn when choosing music for Sunday worship. We would love to have a choir again!

Our History & Carondelet Neighborhood

Our History

St. Paul's began as a mission Sunday School in 1866. The formative meeting in which vestrymen were elected, was held in August of 1868. The church met in the Blow School and then Lafayette Hall until the original wooden church building was completed in 1876. Located near the intersection of present-day Minnesota Avenue and Soper Street, it was built on a plot of land donated by Henry T. Blow, a prominent Carondelet industrialist, U.S. Ambassador and Congressional Representative. St. Paul's was issued its document of incorporation on January 12, 1871 and moved to its current location in 1890. The cornerstone of our current building was laid in 1911, and the new church was completed in 1912 costing \$14,000, double what had been budgeted. The church was cleared of debt in 1924 and consecrated by the bishop in 1925.



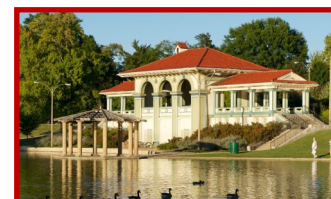
The principal concerns of the parish during the late 1930s and early 1940s was the physical and financial improvement of the church. However, their attention was soon to be directed to the United States' commitment in World War II. On March 13, 1949, Eleanor Roosevelt visited St. Paul's as a guest of Bishop William Scarlett. The bishop was conducting a confirmation service and Mrs. Roosevelt was the bishop's house guest for the weekend.

Our Carondelet Neighborhood

Founded by French explorers in 1767 and annexed by St. Louis city in 1870, Carondelet was a melting pot of Spanish, Italian, Irish and Hungarian immigrants. Its history contains interesting tidbits: the ironclads used by the Union Army to conquer the Mississippi River during the Civil War were built in Carondelet by James B. Eads, who also built Eads Bridge in St. Louis. The neighborhood maintains a strong sense of community pride due to its rich history, architecture, and ethnic diversity.

Residents wishing to preserve the heritage of Carondelet founded the Carondelet Historical Society in 1967. Plaques have been placed at more than 45 sites of historic significance throughout our neighborhood. A collection of historical documents, books, furniture, and other items are preserved at the Carondelet Historic Center, in what was once the Des Peres School where, in 1873, Susan Blow established the first public kindergarten. (Susan Blow was the daughter of Minerva and Henry Blow and member of St. Paul's.)

Established in 1875, Carondelet Park is the third largest park in St. Louis and boasts a beautiful boathouse, a rec-center and pool, walking paths, tennis courts, ball fields, horseshoe pits, historic pavilions, and playgrounds. In the summer, the park hosts live music concerts. Carondelet Park is just a few blocks from St. Paul's.



The Carondelet Sisters of St. Joseph's historic impact in the world, St. Louis and our neighborhood continues. The first Sisters of St. Joseph came from Lyon, France to St. Louis in 1836 in response to a request from Bishop Joseph Rosati for a small group of religious to open a school for the deaf in St. Louis, Missouri. The Carondelet convent became the cradle of the American congregation and remains active today. The large, historic brick facility boasts examples of exquisite craftsmanship, and the sisters make their space available for meetings and retreats, marked by their warm hospitality.

Over the decades, the neighborhood has managed to blend its historical significance with a newfound independence – and [a touch of quirkiness](#). Visitors can marvel at the murals along South Broadway, raise a glass of craft beer from Perennial Artisan Ales, stroll through Carondelet Park or dine at one of many restaurants like Stacked STL, Winedown Café, SugarWitch, Mama's Breakfast Table, or the Speakeasy Café.

Our Finances

We hold firmly to the belief that stewardship is a vital and integral part of our response to God's blessings. As such, it is an extension of worship as we, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." God is faithful in caring and providing for every area of our lives, forgiving our sins, and honoring our gifts of time, money and talent. Despite being small in numbers, we have seen God do great things in our congregation and community with our humble gifts.

In 2025 we continued to be faithful stewards of our resources. Pledge income was not as robust as 2024, and the vestry worked diligently to oversee the budget, make capital improvements, address maintenance needs, and plan for future building improvements.

St. Paul's is fully committed to being faithful Stewards. During calendar year 2025, our income from pledges was \$47,769. We currently have \$33,280 pledged for 2026. There is a deep commitment to St. Paul's future by our congregation and our Bishop. Our stewardship response rate brings us hope and encouragement, despite the numbers. Every household pledges and regularly participates in ministry! We know that with God's help, our commitment and strong clergy leadership will prevail.

Operating income includes pledges, non-pledged gifts, plate offerings, miscellaneous gifts, donations for use of our Parish Hall, rental income for our Rectory, and fundraisers. In addition, the Diocese of Missouri provides \$30,000 annually in support of our priest's salary. In 2025 we received a one-time bequest of \$37,314, and \$25,000 of that gift was added to our reserve funds in the Diocesan Investment Trust (DIT) – funds invested by our diocese and individual congregations and managed by TIAA with oversight from diocesan Trustees on behalf of those investors.

2025 was a challenging year, but God continues to be faithful. We withdrew \$80,000 from our DIT reserve fund to cover a budgeted deficit. We ended 2025 with a cash balance of \$14,722 in our cash accounts. Even after the withdrawal of money from our DIT reserve fund, the \$25,000 bequest and stock market gains resulted in only a minimal decrease in that fund for the year of \$3,768.

We have a Vestry-approved deficit budget for 2026, and we are trusting God that we will be able to do all that we have been called to do this year.

2025 Actual

Operating Income	\$115,530
DIT Fund Distribution	\$80,000
Operating Expense	<u>(\$180,808)</u>
Cash Balance	\$14,722

Money Available for Operating Expenses

Cash (as of 12/31/25)		
Checking Account:		\$ 4,158.18
Money Market Account:		<u>10,564.34</u>
Total Cash		<u>\$14,722.52</u>
Investments (DIT Fund)		
	Dec. 25	YTD 2025
Beginning Balance:	\$414,124.59	\$418,248.72 (1/1/25)
Contributions:		25,000.00
Fees:	-34.60	-660.63
Income:	1,019.14	7,113.05
Gains and Losses:	-628.73	44,729.26
Withdrawals:		- 80,000.00
Net Change:	<u>355.81</u>	<u>-3,768.32</u>
Balance:	<u>\$414,480.40</u>	<u>\$414,480.40</u>
Money Available for Operating Expense		
Cash:	\$14,722.52	
DIT (12/31/25):	<u>414,480.40</u>	
Liquid Assets:	429,202.92	
Security Deposits:	- \$300.00	
Designated Funds:	<u>-\$120,774.75</u>	
Unrestricted Balance:	<u>\$308,128.17</u>	

The Episcopal Diocese of Missouri

We believe in a loving, life-giving and liberating God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe God loves you — no exceptions! Our mission statement: “Walking humbly with God and our neighbors, we seek justice, act with love, and live the Good News of Jesus.” Our vision statement: “A world transformed by God’s love, justice and peace.” Our ministries range from Social Justice to Environmental Stewardship and Pastoral Care. More info is available on the diocesan website at diocesemo.org/ministries.

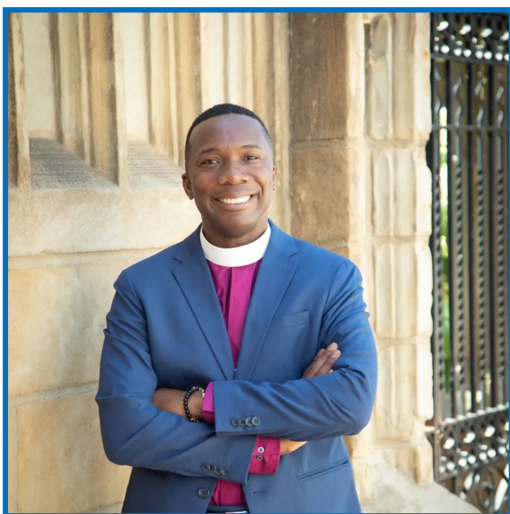
In the eighteenth century, the territory that would become Missouri was under Spanish and French rule. Following the completion of the Louisiana Purchase in 1804, the culture of the territory began changing with the influx of Americans and Europeans heading west. In 1819, Christ Church (now Cathedral) was organized in St. Louis; by 1829 their first church building was complete.

In 1835, the General Convention elected the Church’s first missionary bishops; Jackson Kemper accepted this calling, becoming Missionary Bishop of Missouri and Indiana. While he traveled his territory, and other parts of the country extensively, St. Louis and Missouri became his base. Over the next 9 years, Missouri saw the establishment of six new congregations across the state. The Diocese of Missouri was organized in 1840.



Today, the Diocese of Missouri is made up of 41 congregations plus several campus ministries. We are in Province V of the Episcopal Church. Nearly 7,000 people throughout eastern and central Missouri make up our diocese. About three-quarters of our members are in the metro St. Louis area. But our diocese reaches much farther than St. Louis — you will find our churches as far north as Kirksville, as far west as Columbia, and as far south as Poplar Bluff (and many points in between).

The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson was ordained the Eleventh Bishop of Missouri on June 13, 2020. His election and ordination made history in many ways. He is the first black, first immigrant, and first gay bishop to serve in the Diocese of Missouri. Within a few short months of the new bishop moving to St. Louis, the COVID-19 pandemic struck. Our diocese and the rest of the world went into lockdown.



Despite the limitations imposed by the pandemic, our new bishop brought a much-appreciated energy and creative spark to the Diocese. Bishop Deon helped us develop new strategic mission and vision statements and a 5-year strategic vision; he has appointed several clergy and lay members to serve as missionaries to specific ministries of interest; and he reorganized our convocation system. His passion for social justice led him to introduce a resolution to convention (which passed) to seed a \$1 million fund for racial reconciliation.

The Application Process

For more information or
to apply for this position,
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