

Parish Profile 2024



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Loving one another in the heart of Henderson since 1831

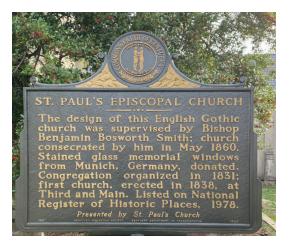
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St. Paul's is People

St. Paul's Episcopal Church has been at the heart of Henderson since its founding on the eve of All Saints in 1831. Though St. Paul's has been expanded since its consecration in 1860, the beauty and holiness of our worship space at the corner of Center and Green Streets still comfort and challenge the congregation and awes visitors.

We worship in the cadences that brought the English language to its followers, with prayers that have changed little in the centuries since the English Reformation.

St. Paul's is people who reach out generously, locally and with the world. We embrace diversity in our church family and community, including all races, ethnicities and sexual orientation.

St. Paul's is a people from the sixth and seventh generation of families who call this their spiritual home, who have, through these many years, helped build this Church and helped build Henderson. St. Paul's is people who have come to this community as recently as yesterday and have found a place of challenges and of rest, a place of journey, and the comfort of home.

Welcome to Henderson, Kentucky

Henderson is framed by nature. Home to naturalist John James Audubon and others who created beauty, art, commerce, and success, Henderson captures what's inside of you, then brings it out. With a vibrant downtown, a river up close, and nature and history as its backdrop, it inspires.

Henderson is a thriving community. Located on the edge of the Midwest, we celebrate our southern hospitality with enthusiasm. Just ask the multitudes of people who visit our community from the river boat cruises who claim Henderson as their favorite stop to the surrounding communities that love to visit, eat and shop.

Our children not only have come back – but they own and operate thriving businesses in our quaint, beautiful, and bustling downtown. Their restaurants and boutiques bring people from all around the Tri-state area to shop, eat and enjoy our beautiful downtown. Ideally situated on the Ohio River across from Evansville, Indiana, and home to Audubon State Park, our community is a hub of activity. Activities include walking paths along the river and in our parks, birding, hiking, biking. Our Fine Arts Center brings the best of the art to Henderson as well.

Our location to nearby Evansville, Indiana and the short distance to larger cities such as Nashville, TN (2 hrs), St. Louis, MO (3 hrs) and Louisville, KY (2hrs) make Henderson ideal for families looking for a quiet town, with the option for more just a short distance away.

For more information about Henderson, Kentucky please visit https://hendersonky.org















Henderson Today

- Pratt Industries recently built a plant that will employ more than 300 people with wages more than \$30/hour.
- Interstate 69 will cross the Ohio River at Henderson and connect Canada to Mexico. Construction on the interchanges is currently occurring in our community.
- New housing development is underway to build 300+ family homes.
- Our Local Schools include a privately funded preschool for special needs children aged birth to 5 years, parochial schools and public schools that includes technical education. The Henderson County School System is proud to have National Blue Ribbon Schools.
- Henderson Community College, provides technical and associate degrees and partners with Murray State University and Western Kentucky University to provide baccalaureate degrees.
- Festivals and Events all touted as top-notch, take place throughout the year in Henderson: including the W. C.Handy Blues and Barbecue Festival (the largest free outdoor festival in the U.S.); Sandy Lee Songfest bringing nationally known songwriters to our community; Bluegrass in the Park Folklife Festival; and most recently the Dia de los Muertos, celebrating our growing Hispanic community.
- Preston Arts Center hosts both local and national arts presentations of all kinds. A center piece of the Henderson Community College campus, it houses several gallery spaces and a 951-seat auditorium.

Henderson County Population 44,329 Henderson City Population 27,716

Blessings & Challenges

Our congregation has grown and declined over the many years. Some of our beloved parishioners have aged out of attendance or have passed away. Thus, we have seen our pledging units decline in alignment with national trends. We are enjoying the attendance now of younger families and a diverse population of young adults to bring the joy and life into our weekly worship and sharing in our love of our historic building and traditional worship.

The pandemic allowed us to reach out through Facebook Live, which helped us stay in touch with those not attending. While the number of attendees has dwindled from pre-pandemic days, our Sunday attendance has stayed steady during this transition. Our decline in population, however, has not decreased the size of our heart and commitment to continue to be a historical mainstay in the heart of downtown Henderson.



Our Search Process

We are currently in an open search for a new rector of St. Paul's. Approximately 60% of our communicants responded to the online Holy Cow survey. The Vestry and Search Committee reviewed the results and met with the congregation to gain more insight and ideas about what the future looks like for St. Paul's.

Mission & Action Priorities

From the survey and parish discussions, we created mission and action priorities for St. Paul's.

Provide guidance to enhance Christian education and spiritual formation at every age and stage of life

> Make necessary changes to attract families with children and youth to our church

Develop ministries that work toward healing those broken by life circumstances

Develop and

implement

a comprehensive

strategy to help us reach new

people and incorporate them into

the life of the church

> Develop the spiritual generosity of the people to financially support the ministry of the church







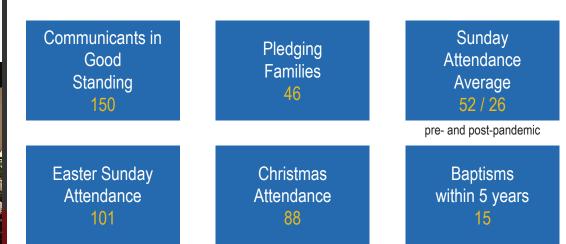


Top Qualities

The top qualities we are interested in finding in our next priest:

Preaching	The capacity to inspire and connect the people of St. Paul's to God's word.
Strategic Leadership	The capacity to cast a vision and lead the church toward the realization of that vision.
Pastoral Care	The capacity to engage with people empathetically and to care for persons in time of need.
Change Management	The capacity to lead our church through changes as necessary with flexibility and new insight.
Teaching/Training	The capacity to deepen understanding, for character and equip members with new skills as needed.

Key Parish Statistics







Worship and Liturgy

Sunday services include Rite I at 8:00 a.m. and Rite II with choral music at 10:00 a.m., and a Wednesday service at Noon.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Traditional Eucharist Rite I

There are no hymns sung or other music played. It is a quiet service that many of our parishioners enjoy for its comfort and solitude.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Family and Choral Eucharist Rite II

This vibrant service is designed for families and those who appreciate rich traditional music. The choir and organ music have been an important part of this service.

Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist with Anointing for Healing This is a quiet, mid-week service to provide hope and healing for those in need.

Ministries at St. Paul's

In answering God's call to love and serve one another, St. Paul's parishioners donate their time, talents, and treasures to our many outreach partners.

St. Paul's Deacon provides pastoral care and leadership during this time of transition at our church.

Our parishioners provide support and leadership at many of our local agencies

HENDERSON CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OUTREACH – a local special ministry created by St. Paul's in 1983 to help those in need of food, housing, and medication.

HENDERSON MANOR – St. Ann's Guild members host an annual party at Christmas for the residents of this state-run senior assisted living facility.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – Knitters and crocheters from the community gather at St. Paul's every month to socialize and create beautiful hand-made shawls (about 30 every month).

MATTHEW 25 AIDS SERVICES – an organization whose mission is to support, educate, and treat those infected with and affected by HIV/AIDS. Our deacon serves as their chaplain.

ALL SAINTS CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER – a "sacred place" where youth and other groups can leave the bustle and distractions of everyday life to deepen relationships with one another and with Christ. One of our parishioners serves on the board of directors and keeps us informed of the latest camp happenings.







Music at St. Paul's

St. Paul's original Wicks Pipe Organ-Opus 1801 was installed in 1938. Henry V. Willis tonally finished the organ and it was first played on June 26, 1938. Extensive repairs were made to the organ in 1978, and included a new 3 manual draw knob console, new solid state relays, and 17 new ranks of pipes, making 1979 pipes total.

Parish Life

Fellowship is one of the key reasons parishioners continue to be a part of the church. We have prided ourselves in being a welcoming congregation for a very long time.

Coffee Hour after worship is a time to spend with one another and enjoy some delectable homemade goodies. Breakfast is a tradition between the 8am and 10 am services during the winter months.

Euch and Cue (Eucharist and Barbecue) is an annual summer event in conjunction with a local blues festival. We celebrate Eucharist and dine on some of Henderson's finest local barbecue, beans, and potato salad.

Church in the Park -- the third Sunday in September is a casual Eucharist at the Cardinal Shelter at John James Audubon State Park, followed by a potluck lunch. Over the many years of being in the park, the sun has always shone on our special worship.

Saints, Sinners, and Cynics is a weekly casual meeting and led by the rector over dinner at a local restaurant in beautiful downtown Henderson for parishioners wishing to engage in lively discussion and information teachings.

Blessing of the Animals – Birds, goats, dogs, and cats. Parishioners gather with their special pets to have them blessed by the rector.

St. Ann's Guild – is still very active and due to the generosity of a guild member, our youth have been able to attend church camp every summer at no cost to their families. The guild also provides support for youth spring and fall gatherings, mission trips. As a part of the Community Lenten Ministry, the Guild hosts the annual Lenten Luncheon.

Daughters of the King – St. Paul's DOK chapter is active in enhancing the prayer life of our parish and supporting parishioners in need of healing prayer.

Youth Activities – Our traditional Pancake Supper held on Fat Tuesday is a community favorite and directed by our youth group.

Diocesan Committee Representation – We have lay representation on the diocesan's Standing Committee, Commission on Ministry, and Trustees and Council, plus Sewanee: The University of the South.









History of St. Paul's

In 1831, a group of 20 men organized an Episcopal parish in Henderson. Four years passed before St. Paul's was accepted as an Episcopal parish.

The first church, consecrated in 1838, stood in the center of town at Third and Main Streets. The frame building seated 150. Following the custom of the day, pews were sold or rented. There was no chancel or organ. The current church building, consecrated in 1860, is a Pointed Gothic structure in the Old English style.

The complete history of St. Paul's can be found on our website at: www.stpauls-henderson.org

Building & Grounds

Situated on the primary north-south corridor through Henderson, St. Paul's steeple is visible from a mile away and even further when lighted at night. The 9,300-square-foot building includes sanctuary, sacristy, parish hall, and an education and administration wing. The building is surrounded by a shaded play area for children, a paved parking lot, an adjoining property holding a two-office building that is owned by St. Paul's church.









Financial Summary

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Balance Sheet

As of January 31, 2024

	JAN	JAN 2024	
	CURRENT	AS OF JAN 31, 2023 (PY	
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
1000 Operating Account - U	29,184.17	22,372.08	
1050 Columbarium Savings-T	13,749.55	13,735.8 ⁻	
1055 Capital Campaign Savings - T	0.00	0.0	
1120 St. Paul's Discret. Fund - T	12,547.63	7,903.47	
1132 F & M -St. Ann's Guild - T	2,029.35	5,642.20	
Total Bank Accounts	\$57,510.70	\$49,653.62	
Accounts Receivable			
1100 Pledges Receivable	0.00	0.00	
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00	\$0.0	
Other Current Assets			
1133 CD#512198 - St. Ann's Guild - T	7,117.21	7,117.2	
1134 CD#512966 - St. Ann's Guild - T	3,112.11	3,112.1	
1499 Undeposited Funds	0.00	0.0	
Trusts & Endowments			
1145 Endowment Fund	31,119.73	28,963.0	
1215 OVNB-Agency Trust-Other - U	84,154.38	100,796.8	
1331 Bagley Trust - P	1,331,840.70	1,210,413.3	
1335 Rankin Trust - P	230,420.59	214,713.43	
1340 Marrs Trust - T	367,834.50	347,503.24	
Total Trusts & Endowments	2,045,369.90	1,902,390.0	
Total Other Current Assets	\$2,055,599.22	\$1,912,619.37	
Total Current Assets	\$2,113,109.92	\$1,962,272.99	
Fixed Assets			
1430 Church Structure and Land-U	1,864,676.26	1,864,676.20	
1431 Religious Artifacts and Icons-U	44,823.00	44,823.00	
1432 Office Equipment-U	8,655.38	8,655.3	
1433 Musical Instruments & EquipU	74,193.78	74,193.7	
1434 Annex-U	81,072.91	81,072.9	
1444 SPP - Rental Properties	113,200.00	113,200.00	
1445 Acc Depreciation - SPP	0.00	0.00	
1490 Accumulated Depreciation	-439,055.60	-439,055.60	
Total Fixed Assets	\$1,747,565.73	\$1,747,565.73	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,860,675.65	\$3,709,838.72	

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	JAN 2024		
	CURRENT	AS OF JAN 31, 2023 (PY	
IABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
2100 Payroll Liabilities	0.00	0.0	
Federal Taxes (941/944)	244.42	433.6	
Henderson Payroll Tax	0.00	0.0	
IN Income / Local Taxes	0.00	4.9	
KY Income Tax	120.36	82.6	
KY Local Tax	20.74	35.8	
Total 2100 Payroll Llabilities	385.52	557.1	
2157 Prepaid - Rector Professional	237.12	237.1	
2161 FICA & Medicare Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2162 Federal Income Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2163 KY Income Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2165 IN - Income Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2169 Marion County Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2175 Henderson Tax Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2200 Rector Retirement Withheld	0.00	0.0	
2220 Mortgage Payable	0.00	0.0	
Direct Deposit Payable	201.07	0.0	
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$823.71	\$794.3	
Total Current Liabilities	\$823.71	\$794.3	
Long-Term Liabilities			
Field & Main PPP Loan	0.00	0.0	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$0.00	\$0.0	
Total Liabilities	\$823.71	\$794.3	
Equity			
3000 Opening Bal Equity	0.00	0.0	

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3140 Fund Balances		
3151 Endowment Fund Balance - P	31,119.73	28,963.08
3154 St. Paul's Discr. Fund - T	12,547.63	8,028.47
3161 St. Ann's Guild - T	2,029.35	5,642.26
3167 Bagley Fund Balance - P	1,331,840.70	1,210,413.38
3168 Rankin Fund Balance - P	230,420.59	214,713.47
3169 Marrs Fund Balance - T	367,834.50	347,503.24
3172 CD#512198 - St. Ann's Guild - T	7,117.21	7,117.21
3173 CD#512966 - St. Ann's Guild - T	3,112.11	3,112.11
3174 CD#512969 - St. Ann's Guild - T	0.00	0.00
3210 Agency Fund Balance - U	80,962.38	100,796.88
3215 St. Paul's Capital Campaign - T	0.00	0.00
3220 St. Paul's Columbarium - T	13,749.55	13,735.81
3600 Real Estate and Fixtures - U	1,746,825.73	1,746,825.73
3610 Operating Fund Balance - U	0.00	0.00
Total 3140 Fund Balances	3,827,559.48	3,686,851.64
3900 Retained Earnings	27,143.61	19,103.53
Net Income	5,148.85	3,089.25
Total Equity	\$3,859,851.94	\$3,709,044.42
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$3,860,675.65	\$3,709,838.72



Our Logo and What it Means

The sword is an often used symbol for Paul because, as a Roman citizen, he was entitled to the greatly more humane and dignified execution of beheading by sword.

The book is the Bible, associated with Paul because he is responsible for about half of the New Testament.

The motto Spiritus Gladius, Latin for "Sword of the Spirit," combines those two symbols and comes from Paul's instruction to the Ephesians (6:17) to take up "the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

A blue wave is a traditional heraldry for a river, and in this case, of course represents the Ohio River.

The two white edges of the blue wave serve the purpose of setting off the blue from the red field, and they also represent the fact that Henderson sits on a cutback loop of the Ohio. As you look across the river you see Indiana, then Kentucky again, then Indiana.

The earthy red field of the shield represents the "red banks" on which Henderson was built, the high ground that has given Henderson the reputation of being "ON the Ohio, but never IN it."

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