



Life Together

St Paul's Episcopal Church
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Principles of Growth - Multi-usage

The next principle of growth is about the multi-use of energy. Again Schwartz in his book Natural Church Development uses the example from nature and trees. A tree puts energy into making leaves. The leaves one day change color, fall from the tree and die. Their "energy" however is not gone or useless. These leaves in the soil provide nutrients which benefit the growth of new trees and new leaves.

In church community and mission this means recognizing that energy invested can be put to many uses. Examples can be found in the "energy" we personally invest in the vitality of our church community. As a person invests their energy of presence and talent in Adult Forum - their learning and growth in knowledge and faith can spread across all areas of their life. As you invest your time and talent in our "Come and See" the benefits spread across many areas: improvements to the building and grounds, building relationships with new people, encouraging others to grow in trust with God and the life giving transformative power of the Gospel. In the coming months as persons attend Stephen Ministry training - their "energy" (time and talent) investment will cycle into growing their gifts of care and compassion, spread to those in need of caring ministry, and spread healing to many others.

Schwartz writes that God has provided everything we'll ever need for development and growth. Natural church development is intriguing because it asks us to look not merely from a programmatic perspective, but to use the lens of principles and growth found in the world around us as we attend to our own growth and development.

Grace and Peace to You

Susan S Keller+

Mark Your Calendars

Saturday, Sept 6th 11:00 a.m. Consecration of Bishop-Elect Suffragan Heather Cook - Church of the Redeemer

Sunday, Sept 7th return to two Sunday services 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

9:30 Adult Forum
Organizational Meeting

Sunday, Sept 28, 4 p.m.
Hayride & Picnic at Larriland Farm

Saturday, Oct 4th
3:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals

4:30-7:00 p.m. Lasagna Dinner

REMINDER ~ On Sunday, September 7th, we will return to two services: 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Adult Forum Special Organizational Meeting ~ September 7th ~ 9:30 a.m. ~ anyone interested in helping organize Adult Forum please attend ~ Needed: leaders, ideas for topics, format, etc.

Rain Garden

Our newest and largest rain garden has been completed. As most of you know, four smaller gardens were installed last summer. These were all made possible through a grant program that “marries” best environmental practices with the opportunity to provide on-the-job training and summer time employment for college students.

Anyone who was here during or immediately after a heavy rain can testify to the fact that our parking lot rain garden is functioning exactly as designed. It fills up with water and looks like a pond while over 24-36 hours its native plants filter out unwanted products that are harmful to bay life.

Pete McIntosh

Come and See

This summer our “Come & See” program has mostly been focused on construction projects to improve and enhance any visitor’s experience here at St. Paul’s, especially when entering the Parish Hall. With help from Jeff Spaulding, Leo Campion, Dick Wilcher, Al Yeater, Jim Hillen, Eric McIntosh, Jamie McIntosh and Pete McIntosh, additional sidewalk has been excavated, retaining wall constructed and the old porch and steps were removed. An old window and portion of wall has been removed to receive a new door. The old entrance door has been removed and sealed up.

A new 53 ft. deck and handicap ramp system has been purchased and delivered and is being stored in the Parish Life Center garage – waiting to be assembled. Very soon the new door will be installed and the concrete sidewalk will be poured. Then the ramp and deck can be erected.

In the meantime, your vestry has seen this as an opportune time to make some long overdue renovations that would include replacing two in-efficient fifty year old windows and installing insulation and siding on the rear cinder block wall. The “go-ahead” for this work will depend on the cost. We are looking at bids now. The vestry has approved the removal of 5 overgrown bushes/shrubs in the front of the church in order to make the church building more visible and more inviting. An improved small garden will beautify the front lawn.

All of these projects come at a significant cost in labor and material. Thankfully two very large donations have graciously made it possible to consider these additional projects.

Additional contributions to help with these projects will be greatly appreciated.

Pete McIntosh

The latest **Change Drive** to help pay off the loan for our parking lot was a huge success. A total of \$840.00 in change was collected. Two wonderful and caring parishioners came together to match the \$840.00. Making a grand total of \$1,680.00. Plus another person came forward who gave money to pay off the parking lot loan. Many thanks to all who saved their spare change and especially our 3 anonymous angels for their generosity.

You all did a great job!

Mission & Outreach

The committee met on August 3rd, to discussed leadership of the committee, and plans for the remainder of the 2014 budget and program year. Celeste Humphreys was selected as committee chair.

Current programs will continue as usual. Right now the “back to school” drive is in progress. Jim Harry and Lee Hajek will oversee this activity with planned delivery of supplies to Parris Ridge Elementary School during the first week of September.

The Christmas “Angel Tree” program is next on our radar. We continue our monthly support of Shakira (Empower-a-Child).

Celeste Humphreys, Chair

A statement from the Bishop Suffragan-elect regarding recent events in Ferguson, Missouri

'We are called to learn from and follow the example of Jesus'

Our nation has been gripped by the events in Ferguson, Missouri, following the shooting death by a police officer of an unarmed black teenager, Michael Brown, on August 9. The shooting, and the violence that has ensued, are the inevitable consequences when people regard each other with fear and mistrust, and see only labels that define differences, rather than see the human person made in the image and likeness of God. Sadly, there are far too many of these occurrences in our own country and in the world today.

As Christians, we are called to learn from and follow the example of Jesus, who looked past every exterior that separates, straight into the individual human heart. As Episcopalians, we are called to live into our baptismal covenant, resisting evil wherever we find it, respecting the dignity of every person, and striving for justice and peace in our homes, our neighborhoods, and in the systems that constrict and oppress, whether they be based on race, creed, or any other form of prejudice.

The Episcopal Diocese of Maryland embraces in prayer the soul of Michael Brown, his family, police officer Darren Wilson, and all those whose lives are being directly impacted by the continuing violence and confusion. Let these events call us to conscience and self-examination so that we renew our commitment to be agents of peace and reconciliation in our own particular context.

-- Bishop Suffragan-elect Heather Elizabeth Cook

**Consecration of the Bishop-Suffragan,
Rev. Canon Heather Cook**

Will be Saturday, September 6, 11:00 a.m. at the Church of the Redeemer, Baltimore. All are welcome. We would like congregations to bring non-perishable food to be donated to two local food pantries, [GEDCO-CARES](#) and

[ACTC](#). We ask that the canned and packaged food to be brought in sturdy grocery bags. Anyone wishing to contribute toward the Bishop Elect traditional gifts (vestments etc.) please mail your gift directly to the Diocese at 4 East University Parkway, Baltimore, MD 21218. Mark it for the Bishop's Gift.

A note from St. Paul's Pastoral Care Group

Rev. Susan and Lee Hajek had a very challenging and productive week of Train-the-Trainer for Stephen Ministry. This leadership conference hosted over three hundred persons representing congregations in the USA, Canada and other countries. Both Susan+ and Lee returned home with training materials weighing thirty-five pounds. Wow! Now that's a lot of information to digest in a week. Even when the schedule goes from Sunday evening through Saturday noon. Yes, evening sessions were included. Of course prayer and reflection embraced the entire program. So there was little time to sight-see Pittsburg, PA, the training location.

You will be hearing from Susan+ and Lee in the near future as they engage all of us in conversations on Stephen Ministry and plans for recruitment, training, and program implementation here at St. Paul's. So stay tuned!

Again, we remind you that this confidential, one-on-one ministry is a new offering of the Pastoral Care Ministry. The others are the Prayer Shawl Ministry and the Lay Eucharistic Ministry. We hope you will prayerfully consider your gifts for ministry inside and outside of St. Paul's walls. Perhaps you may want to lend your talent to one of more of these opportunities to lift up the body of Christ.

We continue our ministries of Eucharist Visits and prayers. We are here for you.

Call us at any time, if you, or any one you know, would like a visit or just need someone to talk to -410-489-4411

New members welcome!

Rev Susan Keller, Lee Hajek, Dana Fritzges, Carrie Brown, Al Yeater

Hayride and Picnic at Larriland

On Sunday, September 28th, 4:00 p.m.

The schedule for the afternoon is:

4:00 p.m. meet at the straw maze. All can go through trying to find the correct way out.

There will be warm apple fritters to munch on.

4:30-5:00 p.m. Picnic supper at the bonfire site.

5:30 p.m. Hayride – enjoy a ride around the farm and through the woods where you will see storybook and other well-known characters.

The schedule is subject to change depending on the weather and other problems that might come up. There will be a sign-up sheet in the parish hall on Sunday, September 14th, for hot dogs, hot dog rolls, chips, marshmallows, graham crackers, Hershey bars (plain), desserts, sodas and water. Remember to bring sticks for roasting hot dogs and marshmallows. Hope to see you at Larriland for an afternoon of fun! There is NO rain date.

St. Paul's Lasagna Dinner

Saturday, October 4, 4:30-7:00 p.m. Your help is needed for this event to be a success. The menu is: lasagna: meat and vegetarian, garlic bread, salad, dessert and beverages (hot dogs for children not liking lasagna). All you can eat. Carry out available.

No charge – a free will offering.

Sign-up sheets for food and help will be in the parish hall on Sunday, August 31. Also, there will be flyers about the dinner, so PLEASE take some to give out to your friends, neighbors and relatives. Remember the congregation is part of publicity.

Congratulations to Michele and Charles Samuel on the birth of their grandson, Dominic Emerson Porrás, born on July 28. His parents are Christina and Emerson Porrás. Everyone is doing fine. Let's see some pictures.

Europe Trip

Ginny Chandler and her sister Sue took a trip to Europe this summer visiting many places such as the Louve, Notre Dame, Picadilly Circus, Versailles, Buckingham Palace, the Basilica of St Francis in Assisi, Vatican City, the Sistine Chapel and the Roman Colosseum. This was a group trip and wonderful time was had by all.

Ginny will be participating in an art show through the Art League in Germantown, Sept 5-9. If interested, please see Ginny for more info.



Important Bazaar Info

Gift Basket/Silent Auction

When you go to the beauty/barber shop, car care center, garden center, your favorite restaurant, pet shop, or any place you shop, would you please ask if they would be willing to donate a gift card or some merchandise. The gift cards/merchandise will go in the Gifts-To-Go baskets or the Silent Auction. A letter requesting items can be provided on St. Paul's stationary. Mention that it is free advertising. When you receive a donation please give it to Linda Barnes, Dana Fritzges or Linda Sharp.

Any questions, suggestions, see or call Linda Barnes 443-604-3402, Dana Fritzges 410-795-8425 or Linda Sharp 410-655-1979. It doesn't take a few people for the Bazaar to be successful – it takes everyone helping and participating. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Linda Barnes

Summer Canning

As you do your canning, please put aside a few jars of your homemade jams, jellies, pickles, etc. for the baked/sweet table. Homemade items are always very popular

BAZAAR SIGN-UP SHEET

Below is a list of the tables at our Holiday Bazaar on **Saturday, November 1st**, PLEASE fill in the tear-off sheet and return it to the church office, so the bazaar table chairmen will know what is coming for the various tables. In the past not many sheets were returned and then on the Friday before the bazaar, handcrafted items, etc., came in. That is not fair to the table chairmen. If you are making, baking, donating, please fill in the sheet and return it to the church office by Sunday, September 28th.

Baked Goods, Sweets: Robin McCourt ~ 410-795-5123, Norma Prentice ~ 410-549-1910
Cookies, brownies, pies, rolls, muffins, breads, holiday items, cupcakes, loaf cakes (but no layer or sheet cakes), jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, relishes. All kinds of homemade candy, fudge and sweet items. **SAVE** the square plastic containers that you get from the salad bar. They are needed for the bake table. Wash them and leave on the parish hall table – marked for the Bazaar.

Collectibles: Etta Lee Spaulding ~ 301-829-3335, Linda Sharp ~ 410-655-1979. China, glass, pottery, milk and carnival glass, pewter, silver, figurines, jewelry, Avon bottles, books and much more. There is no limit to this table.

Crafts: Nancy McIntosh ~ 410-489-4356. Knitting, sewing, woodworking, mittens, aprons, scarves, counted-cross stitching, candles, baby items, stuffed animals, place mats, jewelry, decorations for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. There is no limit to this table.

Gift Baskets/Silent Auction: Linda Barnes ~ 443-604-3402, Dana Fritzges ~ 410-795-8425, Linda Sharp ~ 410-655-1979. Baskets, pretty boxes/containers filled with assorted items, usually with a theme. Example: pet (dog, cat, bird, fish), sports, baby, gardening, handyman, cooking, etc., use your imagination.

Gourmet-To-Go: Suzanne Bourg ~ 410-442-1350. Joanne Honsberger ~ 301-829-6442. Food that is prepared and frozen from Suzanne's recipes. See Suzanne for recipes. Also, sugared pecans, cheese balls and cheese logs.

Ornaments: Dana Fritzges ~ 410-795-8425. All types of ornaments for trimming the Christmas tree.

Raffles: Linda Barnes ~ 443-604-3402. There will be three raffles, one will be a basket of cheer, a 50-50, and Hand crocheted granny-square afghan.

Snack Bar: Wendy Gahm 410-781-6669. We need vegetable beef soup, chili, bar-b-q, chicken salad, desserts – pies and cookies, servers and clean-up help. Monetary donations are helpful to buy supplies.

-----TEAR OFF SHEET - - RETURN TO THE CHURCH OFFICE-----

NAME: _____ **PHONE** _____

I WILL MAKE OR DONATE: _____

Other Important Information

Blessing of the Animals ~
Saturday, **October 4th, 3:00 p.m.** Please bring your pets, (pictures accepted.) Invite your friends and neighbors. All pets and humans welcome.

Parish Register

The Wilmot family has transferred out of St. Paul's.

Church Comic Corner:

The following are actually bloopers from church bulletins

For those parents who have children and don't know it. There is a nursery in the parish hall.

The sermon for today is: "Jesus walks on water." Next week's sermon: "Searching for Jesus."

The potluck supper was a success. Whoever left bowls, plates and a girdle in the kitchen, please get your personal items.

Next Sunday – Vegetarian chili supper followed by meat and greet in the parish hall

Correction- the cell phone number in the new directory is wrong for Suzanne Bourg – the correct # is 410-868-3427.



All you can eat –

Sunday Breakfast

Sept. 14 Lisbon Fire Hall
7:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.
Adults-\$7.00; Children 6-11 \$4.00; 5 and under free.

Sept. 21, Mt Airy Fire Hall
8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Adults \$8.00

Sept 28, St. Michaels Church
8:30 -12:00 Adults \$8.00

Happy Birthday To:

Carrie Brown	Sept 02
Mary Jo Grabau	Sept 05
Linda Sharp	Sept 10
John Tuel	Sept 14
Suzanne Bourg	Sept 14
Greg Prentice	Sept 24



Happy Anniversary To:

Pat & Robin McCourt Sept 26,
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**Newsletter** deadline for October newsletter is Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>.



### Prayer List

Paul Bourg  
Trudi Lawson  
Dave Lawson  
Dallas Reeve  
Michael Toole  
Keith Prentice

Phyllis Heffner  
Gibson & Doris Sharp  
Bill Wineabaunner  
Joannie Lee  
Kurt VonHurst  
Allene VonHurst  
Al Parker  
Craig Johnson  
Joanne Johnson  
Jeffrey Johnson  
Lora Hollands  
Pam Sherfey  
Debbie Gardner  
Ann Boyles  
Sandra Napier  
Irene Hordubay  
Bill Hordubay  
Cheryl Kibler  
Beth Husted  
Lynn Carr  
Allison Poleger  
Sam Lucas  
John Lucas  
Mary Wales-North  
The Horrigan family  
Teresa  
Carey, Kathleen McIntosh  
Patsy Mavity  
Donna Shurney  
Kaye Rineer  
Belinda Blizzard,  
Nancy Leonard  
Janice Esler  
Matt Willingham  
Amanda Meissner  
Luke Bourg  
Kenneth Ritter  
Susie Gibson  
Mildred Stinebaugh  
Eric McIntosh  
Andrew Oberle

*Dear Lord of Mercy and Father of Comfort, You are the One I turn to for help in moments of weakness and times of need. So then, please send your healing Word to your servant. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen*

**PASTORAL  
CONCERNS**

Pastoral issues and concerns are important to us. You may contact the Parish by phone #410-489-4411, Monday through Friday 9-12 noon.

Or contact Rev. Susan S. Keller at 301-785-1687, or [revssk@yahoo.com](mailto:revssk@yahoo.com)

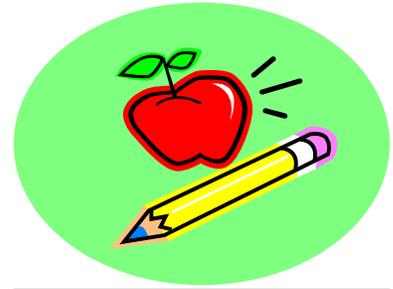
Address:  
[www.stpaulsmtairy.org](http://www.stpaulsmtairy.org)

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**A PRAYER FOR BACK  
TO SCHOOL:**

*Dear God, Thank you for the gift of children and teachers. Please watch over them as they go back to school this year. Keep them safe every day. Help them to remember that you are right there with them in the halls and classrooms. Help them soak up good knowledge and to dismiss any negative or worldly messages they may hear. Help them treat others with kindness and respect, and to guard their hearts with the armor of Your Word. Give them joy and peace as they put their trust in you. Amen*



**VISION STATEMENT**

**Our Vision is:** A community of faith ministering to those in need of justice, reconciliation, hospitality, sanctuary, and growth in their spiritual journey

**MISSION STATEMENT**

**Our mission is:** To carry the good news of Jesus Christ into the community by word and deed and to help all people experience God's presence in their daily lives.

*Don't dream your life,  
Live your dreams...*  
*-Miasha-*

# September 2014 Calendar

| Sunday                                                                | Monday                                                         | Tuesday                                      | Wednesday                            | Thursday                                                                                   | Friday                                                  | Saturday                                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                       | 1<br>Labor Day<br>Office Closed<br><br><i>David Oakerhater</i> | 2<br><br><i>The Martyrs of New Guinea</i>    | 3                                    | 4<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>Paul Jones</i>                                             | 5<br>12-3 Thrift Shop                                   | 6<br>12-3 Thrift Shop                                                           |
| 7<br>8:00 a.m. Rite I<br>10:30 a.m. Rite II<br>Coffee hour following  | 8                                                              | 9<br><br><i>Constance and her Companions</i> | 10<br><br><i>Alexander Crummell</i>  | 11<br>12-3 Thrift Shop                                                                     | 12<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>John Henry Hobart</i>  | 13<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>John Chrysostom</i>                            |
| 14<br>8:00 a.m. Rite I<br>10:30 a.m. Rite II<br>Coffee hour following | 15<br><br><i>Holy Cross Day</i>                                | 16<br><br><i>Ninian of Galloway</i>          | 17<br><br><i>Hildegard of Bingen</i> | 18<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br>6:30 P.M. Vestry Meeting<br><br><i>Edward Bouverie Pusey</i> | 19<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>Theodore of Tarsus</i> | 20<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>John Coleridge Patteson and his Companions</i> |
| 21<br>8:00 a.m. Rite I<br>10:30 a.m. Rite II<br>Coffee hour following | 22<br><br><i>St. Matthew</i>                                   | 23                                           | 24                                   | 25<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>Sergius of Moscow</i>                                     | 26<br>12-3 Thrift Shop<br><br><i>Lancelot Andrewes</i>  | 27<br>12-3 Thrift Shop                                                          |
| 28<br>8:00 a.m. Rite I<br>10:30 a.m. Rite II<br>Coffee hour following | 29<br><br><i>St. Michael and all Angels</i>                    | 30<br><br><i>Jerome of Bethlehem</i>         |                                      |                                                                                            |                                                         |                                                                                 |
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# September 2014 ~ Service Calendar

If you are unable to work PLEASE find a replacement

|                                  | September 7,<br>13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br>Green |                                       | September 14,<br>14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br>Green |                                      | September 21,<br>15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br>Green |                                | September 28,<br>16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost<br>Green |                                           |
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|                                  | <u>8:00 A.M.</u>                                                 | <u>10:30 A.M.</u>                     | <u>8:00 A.M.</u>                                                  | <u>10:30 A.M.</u>                    | <u>8:00 A.M.</u>                                                  | <u>10:30 A.M.</u>              | <u>8:00 A.M.</u>                                                  | <u>10:30 A.M.</u>                         |
| <b>Greeter/<br/>Usher</b>        | Greg and<br>Norma<br>Prentice                                    | Dana<br>Fritzges,<br>Linda Sharp      | Michelle<br>Samuel, Al<br>Yeater                                  | Joanne<br>Honsberger,<br>Linda Sharp | Pat & Al<br>Marquis                                               | Dana Fritzges,<br>Linda Barnes | Kathleen<br>Alexander, Al<br>Yeater                               | Linda Sharp,<br>Carrie Brown              |
| <b>Oblationers</b>               |                                                                  | Linda Barnes,<br>Joanne<br>Honsberger |                                                                   | Dana Fritzges,<br>Linda Barnes       |                                                                   | Suzanne and<br>Paul Bourg      |                                                                   | Dana<br>Fritzges,<br>Joanne<br>Honsberger |
| <b>Chalicer</b>                  | Ron<br>Alexander                                                 | Carrie Brown                          | Leo Campion                                                       | Pete McIntosh                        | Jeff<br>Spaulding                                                 | Carrie Brown                   | Leo Campion                                                       | Linda Barnes                              |
| <b>Acolyte(s)</b>                | Ron<br>Alexander                                                 | Carrie Brown                          | Leo Campion                                                       | Pete McIntosh                        | Jeff<br>Spaulding                                                 | Carrie Brown                   | Leo Campion                                                       | Linda Barnes                              |
| <b>Lector</b>                    | Kathleen<br>Alexander                                            | Dorothy Kitt                          | Charles<br>Samuel                                                 | Phyllis Heffner                      | Jim Harry                                                         | Helen Tuel                     | Irene Hillen                                                      | Denise<br>Groboski                        |
| <b>Psalm</b>                     | Ron<br>Alexander                                                 | Denise<br>Groboski                    | Barb<br>Campion                                                   | Bill Toole                           | Barb<br>Campion                                                   | John Tuel                      | Irene Hillen                                                      | Pete<br>McIntosh                          |
| <b>Prayers of the<br/>People</b> | Carolyn<br>Prentice                                              | Dorothy Kitt                          | Barb<br>Campion                                                   | Bill Toole                           | Barb<br>Campion                                                   | John Tuel                      | Barb Campion                                                      | Nancy<br>McIntosh                         |
| <b>Altar Guild</b>               | Linda Barnes, Suzanne Bourg                                      |                                       | Etta Lee Spaulding, Linda<br>Sharp, Pat Marquis                   |                                      | Dottie Streaker, Dana Fritzges                                    |                                | Joanne Honsberger, Barbara<br>Campion                             |                                           |
| <b>Coffee Hour</b>               | Linda Barnes, Pat Marquis,<br>Wendy Gahm                         |                                       | Ginny Chandler, Helen Tuel                                        |                                      | Suzanne Bourg, Michele<br>Samuel                                  |                                | Dana Fritzges, Irene Hillen                                       |                                           |
| <b>Counter</b>                   | Nancy & Pete McIntosh                                            |                                       | Linda Sharp, Linda Barnes                                         |                                      | Celeste Humphreys, John<br>Tuel                                   |                                | Lynda Sheckels, Etta Lee<br>Spaulding                             |                                           |