

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WELCOME. In the name of Christ, we offer you welcome to this church. May those who sorrow, find comfort; the weary, rest; the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends; the unhappy, joy; and to all, the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place. If you are new to this parish community, please give your name and phone number to the Rector or sign our guest register on the stand in the back of the Church. As our honored guest, we want to welcome you.

THE SERVICE. There are two main books used for our service; the smaller red book is the *Book of Common Prayer* and the larger blue book is the *Hymnal*. There is also a *Gray Hymnal*. They can be found in the bookrack on the back of the pew in front of you. A *Bible* can be found at the ends of the pew. The page / hymn numbers in the service bulletin help you find your place in these service books. We invite you to participate fully in our worship.

RECEIVING COMMUNION. Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church is open to all who are comfortable participating in the Communion of the Lords' Table. To receive communion, please form two lines in the center aisle and approach the front of the Celebration Altar. Please stand with one hand cupped on top of the other to receive the consecrated bread from the Celebrant. Then step to the side to the Eucharistic Minister and **take** the chalice and drink from it; or you may intinct the bread by dipping it in the consecrated wine. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward for a blessing (fold your arms across your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive Holy Communion). Return to your pew by way of the side aisles.

The First Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Call to Worship

Presider: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

All: His mercy endures for ever.

Presider: Come into a season of traveling with God:

All: A time of feeling God's presence in new ways;

Presider: A time of being reminded that we are not alone;

All: A time of hearing again the call to live the ways of Christ;

Presider: A time of being remade as the people of God.

All: Come into a season of traveling with God.

Collect for Purity

Prayer Book, page 355

Collect of the Day:

First Reading Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Insert

Psalm 32

Second Reading Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Insert

Insert

Insert

Rev. J. Patrick Peters

Prayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: Let us offer our prayers to God, who justified us through the death of his Son and rescued us from the disobedience of our forebears.

Prayer Leader: That as you led your people through the waters of the Red Sea and in the desert of their awakening, so lead us through this season of Lent into the unfolding gift of your divine imagination; let us pray.

All: *Kyrie eleison.*

Prayer Leader: That the church, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Bishop; James and Barbara, the Bishops of our Lutheran brothers and sisters; Ronald, the Bishop of our Roman Catholic brothers and sisters; clergy, especially Patrick, our Rector; Gina, Ingrid, Sud, Tim, Mark, Peter, Beth, and John, the clergy of the Rim Parishes; and all our brothers and sisters of the Rim Parishes, as it celebrates the Season of Lent leading to the Season of Resurrection, may come to a deeper knowledge of the faith, and profess with our lips and with our lives the liberating joy of living a Christian life; let us pray.

All: *Kyrie eleison.*

Prayer Leader: For the courage to face our demons of confusion, desolation, and darkness, that through the agonizing quest for truth we may summon the faith and strength to put them to flight; let us pray.

All: *Kyrie eleison.*

Prayer Leader: For our country, the world, and all its leaders,

especially Donald, our President; the Congress and the Courts; Thomas our Governor; the Legislature of our Commonwealth; our Borough Council; Leo our Mayor, and all who wield power and authority and for political leaders everywhere, that they may strive for the common good over personal gain, sharing territory and lands across tribal, religious, and ethnic divides, offering security to all, and honoring the image of God in those who differ from us; let us pray.

All: *Kyrie eleison.*

Prayer Leader: For our absent sisters and brothers, that they may feel called to return to the Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle, where we wait to welcome them with thanksgiving and joy; let us pray.

All: *Kyrie eleison.*

Prayer Leader: With gratitude for God's unfailing love and forgiveness, we give thanks, especially for...

(mention any thanksgivings [if any] listed under the heading of "thanksgivings")

(then say: "the congregation is invited to add other blessings aloud or in silence"),

(then continue)

We thank you for the privilege of ministering to others. We remember before you all who are sick or in need, especially...

(read the names of the sick listed on the prayer list. Also read the names [if any] listed under "for the special needs of," read the names [if any] listed under the heading of "for healthy pregnancy and safe delivery")

(then say: "the congregation is invited to add others names aloud or in silence"),

(then continue)

For all who have died and for all who are experiencing the many faces of loss, that they may know that nothing separates us from

the love of God revealed through Christ Jesus;

(read the names of the departed listed on the prayer list)

*(then say: “the congregation is invited to add others names
aloud or in silence”),*

(then continue)

Prayer Leader: Let us pray.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Prayer Leader: That we may be faithful in prayer, fasting, and the generous giving of alms, so that we may prepare our souls for the celebration of the Paschal Feast; let us pray.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Prayer Leader: That this Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle may be SHAPED BY FAITH in its mission to bear witness to the Word and wisdom of God; let us pray.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Prayer Leader: Send us to the nations where there is famine of the Word; show us those who await the bread of life; and confront us with those who suffer in hunger. May our abundance supply their need; let us pray.

All: Kyrie eleison.

Prayer Leader: For the Cross, our true tree of Life, by which the Church worships you O God. May your people ever praise and serve you and all the world’s people; let us pray

All: Kyrie eleison.

Prayer Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(pause slightly for private confession of our sins)

All: Loving Creator, we are often a confused people.

In a world that so often seems to turn in a blur,

we can get caught up in the craziness of day to day things.

We lose sight of who we really are and where we are really going.

When that happens, forgive us.

When we are tempted to blame others for our missteps, stop us.

Intervene in our lives, and guide us to renew our lives with you.

Assure us that, even in those moments where we turn from you, still you seek us out and offer forgiveness. Amen.

Absolution
The Peace

Prayer Book, page 332
Prayer Book, page 360

Greetings and Announcements

Offertory
Eucharistic Prayer
Sursum Corda
Sanctus
Memorial Acclamation

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.
You are the Savior of the world.

The Great Amen
Our Father
The Breaking of the Bread
Prayer of Humble Access
Communion
Prayer of Thanksgiving
The Blessing
Dismissal

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Prayer Requests March 1, 2020

Hospitalizations

Homebound

Delores Baker (Saint Anne); Ethel Edelman (Autumn House West); Joann Fals (home)

Intercessions

Sue Ellen; Ruth; Ethel; Mike; Joann; Alf; DJ; Bryan; Bobby; Robert; Bently; Mitch; Toni, Pat and Don; George; Janet; Father Patrick; Bev; Everett; Becky; Bill; Bob; Neil; Sean; Vickie; Robert; Lonnie; Renee; Bill

Birthday

Anniversary

3/3 Bishop Charlie and Alice McNutt, Jr.

Departed

Gretchen Blakey; Doris Noll

For Those in Positions of Public Trust

President Donald Trump; Governor Tom Wolf; Mayor Leo Lutz; All legislative bodies & all courts of law; for the leaders of all nations and people

For our Bishops, Rector, and Parish Members

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury and his staff; The Most Rev. Michael Curry and his staff; The Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan and her staff; The Rev. J. Patrick Peters; the staff and people of this parish, especially Gayanne Basham; George and Mary Lynn Geltmacher; Vickie Stumpf

World Cycle of Prayer

3/1 Lebanon; 3/2 Lesotho; 3/3 Liberia; 3/4 Libya; 3/5 Liechtenstein; 3/6 Lithuania;
3/7 Luxembourg

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

3/1 Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile, The Most Revd Héctor (Tito) Zavala Muñoz - Bishop of Santiago & Primate; **3/2** Mandalay (Myanmar), The Right Revd David Nyi Nyi Naing; Toronto (Canada), The Most Revd Colin Robert Johnson; **3/3** Manicaland (Central Africa), The Right Revd Erick Ruwona; Tougoo (Myanmar), The Right Revd Saw John Wilme; Hawaii (The Episcopal Church), The Right Revd Robert Fitzpatrick; **3/4** Maper (South Sudan), The Right Revd William Madding Machar; Trichy-Tanjore (South India), The Right Revd Gnanamuthu Paul Vasanthakumar; **3/5** Mara (Tanzania), The Right Revd George Okoth; Trinidad & Tobago (West Indies), The Right Revd Claude Berkley; Truro (England), The Right Revd Philip Mounstephen; **3/6** Maralal (Kenya), The Right Revd Jacob Lesuuda; Tuam, Killala & Achonry (Ireland), The Right Revd Patrick William Rooke; **3/7** Marathwada (North India), The Right Revd Madhukar Kasab; Twic East (South Sudan), The Right Revd Ezekiel Diing Ajang Malangdit; Hereford (England), The Right Revd Richard Frith

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

3/1 Southern Baptist Convention; 3/2 Sovereign Grace Baptists; 3/3 Strict Baptists; 3/4 Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists; 3/5 Union D'Eglises Baptistes Francaises Au Canada; 3/6 United American Free Will Baptist Church; 3/7 United American Free Will Baptist Conference

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Church of the Good Shepherd, Upper Fairfield and their congregation; St. Paul Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod) Church, Columbia and their congregation

Companion Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Ecumenical:

- The people of Saint John Lutheran Church, Columbia
- Rev. Mark Kopp and the people of Saint James Lutheran Church, Columbia
- Rev. Stephen Kelley and the people of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, Columbia
- Rev. Anthony Swamy Anthappa, MSFS and the people of Saint Peter Roman Catholic Church, Columbia
- Rev. David Powers and the people of The Columbia Presbyterian Church, Columbia
- Rev. Thomas Grubbs and the people of The Columbia United Methodist Church, Columbia
- Rev. Patricia McAllister and the people of Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, Columbia
- Rev. Hub Smith and the people of The Columbia Christian Fellowship, Columbia
- Rev. Greg Impink and the people of Ironville United Methodist Church, Columbia
- Rev. Mary Ann Kingsborough and the people of Concordia Lutheran Church, Columbia
- Rev. Dione Kleptka and the people of Saint John Herr Estate Retirement Community

Rim Parishes of the Lancaster Convocation:

- Rev. Gina Bautista and the people of Saint John Episcopal Church, Marietta
- Rev. Ingrid Andersen and the people of Saint Luke Episcopal Church, Mount Joy
- Rev. Sud Tiwari and the people of Saint Paul Episcopal Church, Manheim
- The people of Hope Episcopal Church, Mt. Hope
- Rev. Mark Scheneman and the people of Bangor Church, Churchtown
- and the Revs. Beth Mollard, Tim Small, Pete Greenfield, John Emmert and Ellie Garner

Peace and Justice

South Sudan; Nigeria; Iraq; Israel; Kenya; Afghanistan; Palestine; Somalia; Iran; Libya; Syria; Egypt; Tunisia; Yemen; Ukraine; Venezuela; North Korea; Turkey

Amount needed each week to meet the 2020 income budget:	\$2,763.00
Amount budgeted each week from fundraisers and investment income:	\$1,764.00
Amount needed each week in pledge and plate to meet income budget:	\$ 999.00

Amount needed each week to meet the 2020 expense budget:	\$3,535.00
Amount expected each week from fundraisers and investment income:	\$1,764.00
Amount needed each week in pledge and plate to meet expense budget:	\$1,771.00

	02/23/20	02/24/19
St. John Herr Estate	19	14
9:00 a.m.	<u>32</u>	<u>41</u>
	51	55

Weekly Impact Attendance: w/e 02/23/20: 153

Pledge and Plate	\$1,839.00	\$1,851.00
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Be Thoughtful
 Be Silent
 Be Reverent...

For this is the House of the Lord
 Before the service,
 speak to the Lord
 During the service,
 let the Lord speak to you
 After the service,
 speak to one another



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

**March 7, 2020
 St. John Herr Estate
 5:30 p.m.**

Lector:	Bev
Eucharistic Minister:	Les

Prayers of the People:

Charlene

March 8, 2020

9:00 a.m.

Lectors:	Bea/Tracy
Eucharistic Minister	Vickie/Bill K.
Crucifer:	Bill K.
Server:	Georgie
Gospel Bearer:	Georgie
Prayers of the People:	Christine
Ushers:	George/Ralph
Greeters:	George/Ralph
Verger (Open):	Tracy
Verger (Close):	Bev



THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL

Sun:

-THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT-

8:50 AM – Sunday School in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

9:00 AM – Eucharist

10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

10:30 AM – Finance Committee Meeting in the Library

5:00 PM – Girl Scouts meet in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Mon: 9:00 AM – Columbia Ministerium – The Columbia Presbyterian Church

Tue: 6:00 PM – Daisy Scouts meet in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Wed: 9:30 AM – Morning Prayer and Healing Service in the Rector's Office

3:30 PM – VHDANCE in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

6:00 PM – Rim Parish Lenten Program – St. Luke, Mt. Joy – Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. –
Program begins at 6:45 p.m.

Thur:

Fri:

Sat: 5:30 PM – Eucharist – St. John Herr Estate

Sun: **-THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT-**

8:50 AM – Sunday School in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

9:00 AM – Eucharist

10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

10:30 AM – Vestry Meeting in the Library

A man who does a daily blog named Seth Godin recently wrote the following and I have to think this describes where Saint Paul is right now:

There are two polar opposites: Staying Still and Breaking. It's easy to visualize each end of the axis, whatever the activity. In between is Stretching.

Stretching is growth. Extending our reach. Becoming more resilient, limber and powerful. Stretching hurts a bit, and maybe leaves us just a little bit sore.

But then, tomorrow, we can stretch further than we could yesterday. Because stretching compounds. If you're afraid of breaking, the answer is not to sit still but to dedicate yourself to stretching.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

The Altar Flowers are available for the weeks of March 8, 15, 22, 29.

The Sanctuary Candle is available for the weeks of March 8, 15, 22, 29.

The Bread and Wine is available for the weeks of March 8, 15, 22, 29.

Prayer Ministry: Please take an active part in our three Core Prayer Ministries:

- 1) Send birthday cards to the people who have a birthday in March. The names and dates are on the Prayer Calendar you received and there is also a list on the table in the back of the church. Birthday cards are available in the back of the church for a small donation.

- 2) Remember your Prayer Partner every day in March. Take the time to pray for them and the needs that they may have. Just remember them and ask God to bless them.
- 3) The Daily Prayer Intention Calendar was sent out for March. Please use it. Prayer changes lives! Lots of prayer changes lots of lives! Your prayers are heard and answered! Pray always!

St. Patrick's Day: On Sunday, March 15 we will celebrate the Patronal Feast of the Rector at our 9:00 a.m. Sunday service. It will be a "grand celebration." Come and bring your friends to honor the Apostle to the Irish. Patrick, like Paul, was an evangelizer who spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to new peoples. The York County Gospel Choir will once again join us and we have a guest soloist also joining us. Following the service, Father Patrick is treating everyone to a traditional Irish Breakfast in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center. This day will be a time of celebration of faith – faith in Jesus Christ and the faith that we have in our mission and ministry together in this place. Please note: We will have our Saturday evening service (March 14) in the Chapel of the Saint John Herr Estate at 5:30 p.m. as normally scheduled.

Prayer Circle: In the bulletin you will see the Parish Prayer Circle. Please make use of this powerful source of prayer. If you have a prayer need, just call Jeanne Cooper – the first name on the Prayer Circle – and tell her your request. It can simply be a name or an intention. Jeanne will call the next name on both prayer lists. This is a powerful source of prayer...please make use of it.

Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service: Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing – 9:30 a.m. in the Rector's Office.

Missed You Cards: Father Patrick sends weekly "Missed You Cards" to those who miss our Saturday or Sunday Eucharist for any reason. Coming together each week is very important and we hope that you will make every effort to attend our Sunday Eucharist. Common Parish Family Prayer on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning is important every week for disciples of Jesus.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Sunday School: Sunday at 8:50 a.m. in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center. Please see Christine Weinberg to register your children/grandchildren or to volunteer to help.

ADULT FORMATION RIM LENTEN SERIES

Listed below is a schedule for the Rim Lenten Series:

March 4

St. John – Marietta

March 11	St. Luke – Mount Joy
March 18	St. Paul – Manheim
March 25	St. Paul – Columbia
April 1	Hope Church – Mount Hope

Each session starts with dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by the program and finishing with Compline. There is a color flyer on page 21 of the bulletin with all the information.

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

Please, Please, Please: If you missed church the past several weeks, please make up your weekly contribution so that we can keep on budget. The treasurer needs to pay bills whether you are here or not. We are behind in pledged and non-pledged income. Thank you.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Columbia Food Bank Online Information: Information regarding the Columbia Food Bank can be found on their website: <https://www.columbiafoodbank.org/> or on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/columbiafoodbank/>.

Food Donations: You are reminded to bring your food items to church each week so that on the last Sunday of the month we can present them to the Lord for blessing and then give them to the food bank. Whenever you go shopping, please add extra non-perishable items to your order for this outreach ministry. Jesus never forgot the last, the lost and the least in his ministry and neither can we.

Adult Cereals (less sugar)	Peanut Butter	Jelly
Soups	Rice	Boxed Potatoes
Spaghetti Sauce		

Let's all bring one non-perishable food item each week as committed to in our Mission and Ministry Plan.

Food Bank Hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. The Columbia Food Bank is closed on holidays.

Greeting Cards: We are collecting greeting cards so that adults with autism and other intellectual disabilities can recycle them into new greeting cards. Don't throw away your greeting cards – just bring them to the church and put them in the box on the back pew. This will be an ongoing outreach ministry project. Thank you.

ADMINISTRATION

Parish Office Hours: The Parish Office hours are: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday – 8:00

a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The Office is closed on holidays.

Use of St. Paul's Facilities: Please call the Parish Office if you want to reserve the Parish Hall or Church.

PARISH EVENTS

Friendly Family Fun Night: Our next Friendly Family Fun Night will be Tuesday, March 31 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Friendly's on Centerville Road. St. Paul will receive 10% of sales during this time. Come on out and enjoy dinner with your parish family and "top it off" with a delicious Friendly sundae!

Homemade Easter Eggs: The women (and some men) of the parish will once again make homemade Easter eggs during Lent. They will begin on Tuesday, February 11 (for Stovers and Hinkles). Beginning February 25 they will begin making eggs for sale to the public and continue through March 31. They are making Peanut Butter (light and dark), Peanut Butter Krispy (light and dark), Coconut (light and dark), Butter Cream (light and dark), Cherry (dark) and Orange Cream (dark). Cost: \$11.00 a dozen; \$6.00 a ½ dozen; or \$1.25 each. **Orders must be placed by 11:00 a.m. the Monday before the Saturday you intend to pick them up.** The first pick-up is Saturday, February 29 with the last pick-up being Saturday, April 4. Eggs can be ordered by calling the Parish Office at 717-684-8496 and may be picked-up in the parish hall between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Saturday, as well as Sunday mornings after church.

Attention Readers: St. Paul has a small library located in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center. Feel free to borrow a book (or books). When you have finished reading it, please drop your book into the "Book Return" basket located to the left of the book shelves. We have also included a donation box if you would like to make a contribution. Enjoy! Thanks to Vickie Stump for all her hard work in organizing and maintaining our library.

Reminder: Please remember that when you use the Parish Hall nothing can be put on the walls or the woodwork. Using scotch tape, duct tape, masking tape, and even some types of painter's tape has the possibility of pulling the paint off the wall or damaging the surface. Items can only be placed on the wooden food bank cabinets or the metal kitchen window and its metal surrounding. Only masking tape or painter's tape can be used on these surfaces. This applies to both parish members and outside groups that use the hall and is clearly stated in the policy outlining use of the parish hall or the church. Thank you.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Here is a Youth date to put on the calendar:

March 27-29, Middle School Retreat at Camp Mt. Luther - Theme is Narnia

OTHER EVENTS

Quilts for Kids: If you know how to quilt, want to learn how to quilt, know how to sew, don't know how but want to learn, or just have a relaxing hour or two finding out how, we can cheer up a sick kid with a quilt. If you have quilting supplies you do not need anymore, we may be able to use them too. Call Gayanne Basham through the parish office (717-684-8496) if any questions. The quilting group meets Wednesday afternoons.

Craft Group: There are several craft sessions scheduled to make crafts for the church to sell or for your own personal use.

The dates are as follows: March 22; April 19. The group will meet at 10:30 a.m. following the Sunday morning service.

Free Sunday Breakfast: On the last Sunday of every month, the Columbia United Methodist Church offers a Free Community Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in their Fellowship Hall. All are invited.