



"Our Welcome"

In the light of God's unconditional love, we respect the dignity of every human being by welcoming and supporting all persons whatever their race, color, gender, age, sexual orientation, health status, marital status or stage of spiritual journeying. We invite you to explore, investigate, and grow in your faith and become a part of our shared journey with God.

The First Sunday in Lent --- March 9, 2025
Holy Eucharist 10:00am

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
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St. Paul's Staff: : The Rev. Karen C. Lewis, Rector; The Rev. Canon Dr. W. Richard Hamlin, Priest Associate; The Rev. Dr. Donna McNeil, Associate for Liturgy and Pastoral Care; The Very Rev. Gail Shafer, Priest Associate; Ms. Stephanie Gewirtz, Minister of Music; Ms. Theresa Milne, Parish Administrator; Ms. Barbara Heany, Sunday School Director; Ms. Katie Alexander, Nursery Attendant; Mr. D'Kwon Guerrero, Sexton/Custodian; Mr. Conrad Moyer, A/V Technician.

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Visitors and Guests: Please fill out a visitor card and give it to an usher or place it in the offering box. As you are leaving, we would like you to take a moment to sign one of the guest books located by the church doorways.

Opportunities for Worship - Sundays: 10:00am

Parish Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 9:00am to 2:00pm.

Closed on Fridays.

Phone: 517-482-9454 E-mail: office@stpaulslansing.org

Visit our website: www.stpaulslansing.org

For Parish activities and information please check the information table in the Merrifield Room.

Baptism or Marriage: If you would like more information, please contact the Rector at 482-9454 or by email: rector@stpaulslansing.org.

Church School: Our church school for elementary through middle school begins at 9:45am. If you would like more information, please speak to Barb Heany.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 9, 2025

PRELUDE

My Song is Love Unknown

Charles Callahan

SILENT PROCESSION

THE GREAT LITANY

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,

People



Have mer--cy on us.

Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world,

Have mercy on us.

Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful,

Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us.

From all evil and mischief; from pride, vanity and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred and malice; and from all evil intent,



Sav --- ior de---liver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money; from hardness of heart and contempt for your word and your laws,

Savior deliver us.

From sins of body and mind; from deceits of the world, flesh and the devil,

Savior deliver us.

From famine and disaster; from violence, murder, and dying unprepared,

Savior deliver us.

In all times of sorrow; in all times of joy; in the hour of our death and at the day of judgment,

Savior deliver us.

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your birth, childhood and obedience; by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

Savior deliver us.

By your ministry in word and work; by your mighty acts of power, by the preaching of your reign,

Savior deliver us.

By your agony and trial; by your cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

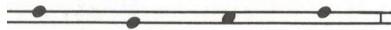
Savior deliver us.

By your mighty resurrection; by your glorious ascension; and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

Savior deliver us.

Hear our prayers, O Christ our God.

People



Hear us, O Christ.

Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it that unity which is your will.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world, and to make disciples of all nations.

Hear us, O Christ.

Enlighten your bishops, priests and deacons with knowledge and understanding, that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your world.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your people grace to witness to your word and bring forth the fruit of your Spirit.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

Hear us, O Christ.

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the fainthearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give your wisdom and strength to the President of the United States and the Governor of this state, that in all things they may do your will, for your glory and the common good.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give to the Congress of the United States, the members of the President's Cabinet, those who serve in our state legislature, and all others in authority the grace to walk always in the ways of truth.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless the justices of the Supreme Court and all those who administer the law, that they may act with integrity and do justice for all your people.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory and for the good of all.

Hear us, O Christ.

Bless and keep all your people,

Hear us, O Christ.

Comfort and liberate the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

Hear us, O Christ.

Keep in safety those who travel and all who are in peril.

Hear us, O Christ.

Heal the sick in body, mind or spirit especially those on our prayer list and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

Hear us, O Christ.

Guard and protect all children who are in danger.

Hear us, O Christ.

Show your compassion on prisoners, hostages and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

Hear us, O Christ.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

Hear us, O Christ.

Hear us as we remember those who have died and grant us with them a share in your eternal glory.

Hear us, O Christ.

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your word.

TRISAGION

S102

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line with the lyrics "Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y," and a piano accompaniment. The second system has a vocal line with the lyrics "Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us." and a piano accompaniment. The music is in a minor key and 4/4 time.

Music: Ver. *Hymnal* 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924). Copyright: Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing, Inc.

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

The Collect for the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are invited to sit

Reader A reading from Deuteronomy

Moses said, "When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High,*
 abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the Lord, "You are my refuge and my stronghold,*
 my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge,*
 and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you,*
 neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you,*
 to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands,*
 lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder;*
 you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver him;*
 I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him;*
 I am with him in trouble; I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him,*
 and show him my salvation.

THE SECOND READING

ROMANS 10:8b-13

Reader A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the singing of the Gradual Hymn and the reading of The Gospel

GRADUAL HYMN

In Christ there is no East or West

HYMN 529

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 4:1-13

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Donna McNiel

THE NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**
**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**
**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**
**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PEACE

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
 People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Lenten Prayer

Pergolesi arr. Liebergen

OFFERTORY HYMN

Forty days and forty nights

HYMN 150

1 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;
 2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
 3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
 4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
 5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
 2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
 3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
 4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
 5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt.

Music: *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people standing, the Officiant says

Officiant The Lord be with you
 People **And also with you.**

Officiant Lift up your hearts.
 People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Officiant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Officiant continues

Holy One, in this dry and weary land we give you thanks and praise. You provide for us in our need; you set a table for us in the wilderness. Even when we despair and complain against you, you feed us with bread from heaven. Even when we quarrel and question your grace, you give us water from a stone. How can we keep silent? Even dry bones in the valley of death stand to sing your praise:

Officiant and People sing together

SANCTUS

S124

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Then the Officiant continues

We give you thanks and praise for Jesus, our way in the wilderness, our companion in the desert. He knows our hunger and thirst; he gives us the bread of life to eat and living water to drink. He leads us beside still water and prepares this table for us, even in the presence of our enemies. The cup of blessing overflows!

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

On that same night he took the cup, saying, "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The people say together

When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Now pour out your Holy Spirit upon this bread, this cup, this dry and weary land. By the power of your Spirit, breathe life into our dust and hope into our bones.

As we receive this bread and cup, make us one flesh and one blood, one in the body of Christ. Let us live to sing your praise and show your love to all, until our wilderness wandering is over, and we feast with you forever in the land that you have promised.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, O God, now and always. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

S161

The Officiant breaks the consecrated bread

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All God's people are cordially invited to God's table, including children. Gluten-free wafers are available: please indicate to the priest that you require this alternative. We will be offering wine from the common cup to those who wish to receive in this manner. The chalice bearer will thoroughly wipe the space from which you drank prior to offering the cup to the next communicant.

An alternative to receiving the wine from the common cup is through intinction. The priest will place the wafer in your hand; the chalice bearer will pick up the wafer, dip it into the wine, and replace it on your palm. No one is allowed to intinct with their own hand/fingers. This safeguards all who use the common cup. If you wish to receive communion in only one kind (bread), know that you have received full communion.

Those who are not baptized or those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. The ushers will guide you. If you are unable to come forward and wish to receive communion in your pew, please let one of the ushers know.

After you have received communion and returned to your seat, you are invited to silently offer the following prayer or another of your choosing to God. Remember that others are still receiving communion and your quietness will assist in this most holy experience.

Gracious God, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the body of Christ. We ask this in his name. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

On Eagle's Wings
 Hannah Bancroft, soloist

Joncas arr. Hayes

Bread of the world, in mer - cy bro - ken, Wine of the
soul, in mer - cy shed, by whom the words of life were
spo - ken, and in whose death our sins are dead:
look on the heart by sor - row bro - ken, look on the
tears by sin - ners shed; and be thy feast to us the
to - ken that by thy grace our souls are fed.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826). Music: *Rendez à Dieu*, melody att. Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?); harm. Claude Goudimel (1514-1572), alt.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

The People say together

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Officiant Bow down before the Lord.

The people bow their heads.

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

HYMN 448



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
 5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
 3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
 5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
 5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt. Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.; harm. after Basil Harwood (1859-1949).

AT THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Presto

Alessandro Marcello

Assisting in Today's Service

Crucifer	Debbie Parks
Subdeacon	Henrie Parks
Lector	Greg Wortley
Prayers of the People	Margaret Schulte
Chalice Bearers	Amy Wortley, Greg Wortley
Counters	Martha McKee, Margaret Schulte
Altar Guild Members for the Week	Nancy Merriman (chair), Jane Bryce, Theresa Milne
Ushers	Joe Lehning, Michael Hart, Mark Rudd
Coffee Hour	Barb & Libby Richardson
Greeters	Joe Lehning
Blessing Box	Bobbi Tisdale
Recycling Team	AJ Walilko
Sunday School Mentors	Barb Heany, Carrie Freeman
Vestry Person of the Day	Bobbi Tisdale

Musical selections licensed through Rite Song.

Assisting next Sunday, March 16, 2025

Crucifer	Greg Wortley
Subdeacon	Amy Wortley
Lector	Jim Milne
Prayers of the People	Deb McMartin-Finkel
Chalice Bearers	Justin Alexander, Theresa Milne
Counters	Larry Clark, Leslie Hall
Altar Guild Members for the Week	Bobbi Tisdale (chair), Marilyn Earley, Steven Kandow, Maria Wawro
Ushers	John Nevin, Jack Baker, Jamal Dillman-Hasso, Bob Merriman
Coffee Hour	Lyn Zynda
Greeters	
Blessing Box	Susan Kendall
Recycling Team	Greg & Amy Wortley
Sunday School Mentors	Barb Heany, Carol Thomas
Vestry Person of the Day	Bob Merriman

Opportunities for Prayer
March 9, 2025

We pray for those who have ongoing needs for healing prayers: Melissa, Tom, Sarah, Heather, Sebastian, Peter, Natalie, Julie, Mark, Chris, Bill, Robin, Samantha, Leigh, and Melissa. **Due to privacy concerns, we will now be posting first names only on our prayer list.*

We pray this week for the following St. Paul's members: Mike & Shelley Jacobs, and Christine Johnston.

We pray this week for the following community service agency: Hospice of Lansing, 3886 Pine Tree Rd, Lansing 48911

We pray for our downtown church community: Cathedral Church of St. Mary; Central United Methodist Church; Christ Community Church; and First Presbyterian Church.

We pray for our worshiping communities: St. Clare of Assisi, Ann Arbor; Trinity Church, Bellville; Church of the Reconciliation, Azusa, DR.

We pray for those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Anglican Church of Canada.

We pray for: Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York; Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie A. Perry, our bishop; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P. Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A. Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our retired bishop, Wendell Gibbs; Karen C. Lewis, our rector; Donna McNiel, our associate for liturgy and pastoral care; Dick Hamlin and Gail Shafer, our priest associates; our worship ministers, St. Paul's staff and our diocesan household.

Announcements for the Week
March 9, 2025 - March 16, 2025

Canterbury MSU is hosting dinner again this semester! Would you like to feed our student leaders on a Thursday evening? We need a main dish that we can reheat in a microwave, slow cooker, or toaster oven plus a salad or side, for 6 - 8 people. Meals can be dropped off at Canterbury (225 MAC) on Wednesday or Thursday afternoons. Contact the Rev. Dr. Donna McNiel at canterburymSU@gmail.com, for all the details, or go to the Sign Up link: <https://bit.ly/FeedCanterburyMSU>

Lenten Book Study at Coffee Hour: March 16, 23, 30 *James* by Percival Everett. Sign up to attend the class at coffee hour and indicate if you wish a copy of the book. The cost is \$18.00. Scholarship money is available to assist with the cost of the book.

Lenten Series - *The Invisible Oft-Forgotten Person of the Trinity*: begins Tuesday, March 18th for four weeks via Zoom. You will need to sign up to receive the Zoom link for attendance.

Faith and Film on March 28th: Join us at 6:30pm to watch **The Magic of Ordinary People** presented by Jane Bryce and Barb Heany. Sign up!

Bulletin: Please submit information by noon on Tuesday, in writing or by e-mail, to office@stpaulslansing.org to ensure accuracy.

Blessing Box: Sign up in the Merrifield Room to fill the Blessing Box for a week.

Lent Madness 2025: This year's lineup of saintly souls features 32 inspiring saints, both known and unknown, to accompany us on our penitential journey. Only one of these saints will emerge with the coveted 2025 Golden Halo.

****Lent Madness Quality Control Team:** We are aware of the Match-up Calendar mishap in the printed Saintly Scorecard (found on the inside back cover). The line-ups are correct on the Bracket, in both the Scorecard and on the Poster. It's only the Calendar that has the wrong saint match-ups. There are printed copies of the calendar on the signup table in the Merrifield Room.**

Mission & Outreach: A BIG thank you to St. Paul's bed builders, who helped make 100 SHP bunkbeds yesterday for children in the area. The quilting group continues to make quilts for the beds. We'll be packing PWL lunches after church today. Can you help us? Please start watching for Easter basket treats to help Samaritas fill hundreds of Easter baskets. Just put your goodies in the shopping cart. Thank you for your generosity and support.

The service of Compline is offered Wednesday evenings at 9 pm on Zoom with The Very Rev. Gail Shafer, our priest associate. March 5 is Ash Wednesday, and there will be no compline service that evening! Come to church!

Evening Meeting Times & Parking Ramp Hours: All evening meetings and classes should begin no earlier than 6:15pm and end by 8:45pm for access to the parking ramp. Regular parking ramp availability M-Th 6:00pm-9:00pm and Saturday & Sunday 7:30am-6:00pm.

Recycle ink cartridges: Bring your used ink cartridges into the parish office for recycling and help reduce our paper costs. We get discounts on office supplies and paper through the Staples recycling program.

In case of inclement weather during the winter months, please call the office at 482-9454 after 11:00am to check on cancellations. If you receive a recording stating the office is closed, then all events for that day are cancelled. If the Lansing School District is closed, all church events for that day will be cancelled.

Reminder: Please schedule all meetings (in-person and online) with the office in advance. We want to assure you that there is a space for you to meet and that someone will be available to open the building. For online meetings, we want meetings to be available to all parishioners. **Please** notify the office if you have a **cancellation** to ensure building and staff security.

Coffee Hour sign up: We need two family units per week to bring treats, serve & provide cleanup for coffee hour following the 10:00am services. There are signup sheets in the Merrifield Room. Sign up with a friend or extended family. If no one signs up, we will not have coffee hour.

St. Paul's Recycling: Please sign up in the Merrifield Room to take some of the recycling either to your home bin or to a recycling drop off center. We are committed to reduce, reuse, and recycle at St. Paul's. See one of the Milnes or Borons for more information.

Altar flower requests: There are openings for the upcoming Sundays for altar flower dedications. Flowers are always given to the glory of God, and then in honor of, or in thanksgiving for a person or occasion. Dedications and **\$120** payment must be received in the church office no later than the Monday before the date of the dedication. **More than one dedication can be made if you and a friend want to share the cost of the flowers.** Altar Flower forms available on the signup table, or you can email your dedication to office@stpaulslansing.org.

Please sign up to be a Greeter: One of the faith outreaches we have at St. Paul’s is the Sunday morning greeters. We can extend our faith by welcoming our fellow parishioners and visitors each week. Remember that you are the first face they will see as they enter the church. A welcoming hand and face always lift our spirit, what a way to start a day and you play an important part in that.

- **Signup sheets are in the Merrifield Room** – Need two greeters at the back door.
- Be at the back door 20 minutes before the service.
- Greeters should remind parishioners to pick up their nametags and ask visitors to fill out the guest book located in the cloister outside the chapel and to join the parish after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Merrifield Room.

Contributions Last Week: For the week of March 2, 2025, St. Paul’s received **\$7,012** in contributions as follows:

Pledge Income	\$4,820
Operating Income	\$285
Hubbard Restricted	\$103
Noisy Offering	\$126
Loose Offering	\$78
Caterer Rent	\$1,600

This Week at St. Paul's March 2, 2025 - March 9, 2025
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Sunday, 03/09:		Lent I Daylight Savings Begins - Clocks ahead one hour
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:00am	Worship & Holy Communion
	11:15am	Coffee Hour
	11:15am	Pack lunches for Punks with Lunch
Monday 03/10:	8am-5pm	B & D replacing electrical panels
	10:00am	4Cs Meeting - VanAtta
	2:30pm	Staff Meeting
Tuesday, 03/11:	8am-5pm	B & D replacing electrical panels
Wednesday, 3/12:	8am-5pm	B & D replacing electrical panels
	7:00pm	Bible Study - Zoom
	9:00pm	Compline - Zoom
Thursday, 03/13:	8am-5pm	B & D replacing kitchen panel
	11:00am	Facilities Meeting
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, 03/14:		Office Closed
Saturday, 03/15:		
Sunday, 03/16:		Lent II Daylight Savings Begins - Clocks ahead one hour
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:00am	Worship & Holy Communion
	11:15am	Coffee Hour
	11:15am	Lenten Book Study - James by Percival Everett
	12:00pm	Drumming Session - Sanctuary

QR Code for giving. Scan the code with your phone to be taken to options for giving.

