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As we enter this busy season of the church year, I want you to be aware of some of the March events.

#### **Daily Lenten Prayer Challenge**

Join John and me in a daily journey of prayer leading up to Easter Sunday! A daily Prayer Focus will be emailed each morning. I hope you will begin each day in prayer, united with other St Paulers. If you prefer a paper copy, please pick one up from the church office. Hopefully, these moments of daily prayer will prepare our hearts to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.

#### **Church Proposed Bylaws Review**

Wednesdays, March 12 & 19

Join us for an important review of our church bylaws. Wednesday Night Supper begins at 6:00 PM, and the review session will follow immediately after supper.

#### **Mission and Ministry Financial Commitment Cards**

Each year, we ask our church family to commit to the ministry of St. Paul by returning their Mission and Ministry Financial Commitment Cards for our budget planning. Your commitment helps us prepare for the upcoming year's ministry. You can also indicate your commitment online or by contacting Cindy Shavers in our church office.

#### **Summer Events for Children & Youth**

Sign-ups are now open for VBS, Summer Camps, and Trips! Our summer is packed with events to help our children and youth grow in their faith and love of God. These events fill up quickly, so be sure to register soon to secure your spot.

For more details on any event, please contact the church office or visit our website.

We look forward to a month of worship, fellowship, and growth together!

Traditional Worship
8:30 A.M.
Illges Chapel (M250)
Leader: Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
Sermon: Passing It On: Disciples Who
Make Disciples
Scripture:
Matthew 28:16-20, Psalm 78:1-4

Contemporary Worship
9:00 A.M.
Fellowship Hall (M220)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Walking In His Steps,
The Path to Discipleship:
Identity and Mission
Scripture: Luke 4:14-30

Traditional Worship
11:00 A.M.
Sanctuary (M260)
Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green
Sermon: Walking In His Steps,
The Path to Discipleship:
Identity and Mission
Scripture: Luke 4:14-30

For the last few months, representatives from our Administrative Board, Finance Committee, Board of Trustees, SPRC Committee, Church Administrator, and Clergy have met to create St. Paul Church's Proposed Bylaws. During the month of March, we invite you to take part in an important step in our church's journey by reviewing our newly proposed Bylaws. These Bylaws outline both our theological beliefs and our organizational structure, ensuring that our church remains faithful to its Wesleyan heritage while equipping us for a strong future. Our Statement of Beliefs reflects a condensed and clear articulation of the theological foundations we cherished in the former United Methodist Church, reaffirming our commitment to scriptural truth, grace, and discipleship.

In addition to our theological foundations, the new Bylaws introduce an updated organizational structure that builds upon our previous committees while refining ministry areas for greater effectiveness. Some ministry committees have been reorganized to better serve the needs of our congregation and community, allowing for more focused and impactful work. A key emphasis of this new structure is on lay participation and responsibility, ensuring that all members have opportunities to actively engage in the life and leadership of the church.

We encourage every member to take time to review these Bylaws. Please visit our website at stpaulcolumbus.com/bylaws to view those proposed. There is also a place for comments and feedback as we move forward together. Printed copies of the Bylaws will be available in the church office for review and comments. Join us for WNS on March 12 or March 19 at 6:00 p.m. and stay for a discussion of the proposed Bylaws at 6:30 p.m. We look forward to discussing this together as a church family. Thank you for your continued faithfulness and commitment to our shared mission in Christ.

## We have **TWO** upcoming job openings!

1. Executive Administrative Assistant Sr. Minister & Assoc. Minister
Full or Part-time Available

2. Main Office Receptionist Full or Part-time Available

Full job description is available in the Office. Please contact Kathy Hollon or Philip Badcock at (706) 327-7419 for further information.

Open Door will have a Sunday Lunch 2025! It's their 90th Anniversary and celebratory lunch to thank the community! This happens March 16, from 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. at the Bibb Mill Event Center. Tickets are \$50, available online at odch.org or call 706-323-5518.

#### PASTORS & STAFF

Rev. Dr. Shane Green Senior Minister

Rev. John Fugh, Jr. Associate Minister

Philip Badcock Church Administrator

Grace Bailey Director of Christian Education

Lauren Coleman Administrative Assistant

Donna Hightower Director of Children's Ministry

Kathy Hollon
Administrative Director

Theresa Holzknecht Communications Director

Dr. Bruce Getz Broadcast Operations Manager

Wayne Martz Director of Music Ministry

Laura Marvets Director of Youth Ministry

Cindy Shavers
Financial Records &
Administration

## KIDMIN MOMENT BY DONNA HIGHTOWER

A long time ago, people wore sandals, and their feet got dusty from walking outside. When they visited someone's home, the host would offer water so they could wash their feet. One day, Jesus surprised his friends, the disciples, by washing their feet himself! This was unusual because a teacher wouldn't normally do that. But Jesus wanted to show them love, kindness, and the importance of helping others. When Peter didn't want Jesus to wash his feet, Jesus told him it wasn't just about clean feet—it was about accepting love and kindness. Let's use this week's lesson to focus on ways to serve others.

Registration is now open for events! Please visit stpaulcolumbus.com to sign up for one or all of our summer programs.

Wynnton Neighborhood Network Turns 40! On Wednesday, March 26 the family night supper program will be making cake kits for WNN.

ITEMS NEEDED by MARCH 23: Cake Mix, Paper plates and Napkins, Cake Pan 9X13, Candles & lcing. Donations may be dropped off in the church office.

Easter Egg Hunt:

Prefilled eggs are needed for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please drop your donations outside Mrs. Grace's office by April 13.

#### SPY MINISTRY

BY LAURA MARVETS

OFF CAMPUS SNY - We will be attending the 2:30 p.m. "The Drowsy Chaperone", Brookstone School Play in the Turner Center, followed by dinner at Chef Lee's (shooting for 5pm for dinner time). You can buy tickets by scanning the QR code. Plan to bring \$20 for dinner as well. PLEASE let Laura know if you plan to attend the play or dinner or both, so we can plan transportation as needed. You can meet us at any part of this evening.





## THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, March 9 8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250) 9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220) 9:35 AM Weekly Communion (M250) 10:00 AM Bridges Class (235) 10:00 AM High School SS (Y106) 10:00 AM Middle School SS (Y104) 10:00 AM The Prodigal God Study (M220) 11:00 AM Traditional Worship (M260) 2:00 PM Spring Harbor Worship Service (Off Campus) 5:00 PM Carol & Covenant Choirs Rehearal (M235) 5:30 PM Snack Supper for Children

Monday, March 10 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

Tuesday, March 11 9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235) 10:00 AM Tuesday Morning Bible Study (M232)11:00 AM Grace Bible Study (M234) 4:00 PM Spring Harbor Study (Off Campus)

Wednesday, March 12 5:00 PM Handbell Choir (M270) 6:00 PM Family Night Supper (M220) 6:00 PM Yoga Redeemed (M235) 6:30 PM Family Supper Program for Bylaws Review (M220) 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, March 13 6:30 AM Thursday Men's Bible Study (M232)9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235) 9:30 AM Preschool Moms Bible Study

1:30 PM Mary Sue Polley's Small Group (M234)

Friday, March 14 3:30 PM Sabbath Before Sunday (Quad) 5:30 PM Club 45 (Quad)

Please join us for Family Night Supper this week. Our menu is: Pork Loin. Sweet Butter Beans. Potatoes, Dinner Rolls. and Super Salad Bar Assorted Desserts. the kids we have Grilled Cheese with Fries.

#### TALK ABOUT IT

Sunday Today's School Lesson for Preschool and **Elementary Children** Jesus Washes Feet (John 13:1-17)

Anchor Point – Jesus is alive!

Say the Bible verse together: "I've seen the Lord." (John 20:18)

- How do you think Peter felt when Jesus washed his feet?
- How would you react if Jesus wanted to wash your feet?
- What are some things you can do to serve others?

Prayer:

Loving God, thank you for Jesus' example of how we are to live. Help us to look for opportunities to serve others so that we may share your love. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP 388

#### SERVING THIS WEEK

**Acolytes This Week:** (8:30) Bennett Fields and Camille Pease (11:00) Elizabeth Chester and Della Stone Cross Bearer: James Boyd

#### **Ushers:**

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler and **Stan Copelan**
- (11:00) Chris Parker (Lead), Stephen McRae, Arthur Bickerstaff, Jere Campbell, Jim Gunby, and Mal Waldrep

#### Altar Guild/Flowers:

- Delivery: Mimi Copelan and Susan Middlebrooks
- Sanctuary: Betty Roberts, Cathryn Pease, Anna Park, Cally Dixon, and Dori Jones
- Chapel: Margaret Schley and Sally Tebeau

#### In Memoriam





The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of our Sunday School teachers for children and vouth.

Our Christian love and heartfelt sympathy is extended to Jenny Swift and her family in the death of her step-father Silas Anthony "Tony" Hudgins on Wednesday, February 26. 2025.

## MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUM GIFTS

#### **Building Fund**

In Memory of Faith Curran

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• by Nancy and Jim Tjoflat
In Memory of Harry Stonewall Jackson
• by Pam and Homer Shuler

Ukraine Mission Fund
In Memory of Faith Curran
In Memory of Faith Curran
In Memory of Raymond Turczynski
• all by Tammy and Matthew Reynolds

Wesley Glen Fund
In Memory of Harry Stonewall Jackson
• by Mary Greenhaw

Wesley Miller Wilson Class
In Memory of Faith Curran
• by Mary Greenhaw

For High School Girls: Looking for a Bible study or a small group? Merritt Pryor will be leading a 6-week study in the youth building at 4:30pm, before SNY, starting Sunday, March 16. Reach out to Laura Marvets if you are interested in joining.



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

# March 9, 2025 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour	
The Welcome & Announcements .	Rev. John Fugh, Jr.
The Choral Call to Worship	This Is the Day the Lord Has Made
The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar	
The Prelude	Gelobet Seist Du, Jesu Christ, by J.S. Bach
Hymn of Celebration	I Am Thine, O Lord (#419)
The Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed (#881)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

#### The Pastoral Prayer with the Lord's Prayer.....Rev. Fugh

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, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Preparation	Near to the Heart of God (#471)	
The Leader: Let Us Worship God with His Title	hes and Our Offerings.	
The Offertory Prayer		
The Offertory	<i>Crusader's Hymn</i> , arr. L. Smith	
The Doxology		
Praise God, from whom all blessing creatures here below: praise Him a praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.	above, ye heavenly host;	
The Scripture Lesson	Luke 4:14-30 (pp. 835-836)	
Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.		
Congregational Response: Thanks	be to God.	
The Passing of the Peace		
Leader: The Peace of Christ be with		
Congregational Response: And also	o with you.	
The Children's Moment	Mrs. Donna Hightower	
(Children ages K4-2nd graders a	_	
Children's Church after the Children'	,	
younger are taken to the nursery by p	parents, Room M235)	
The Welcome and Registration of Attendan	ce	
The Anthem	y Jesus, I Love Thee, arr D. Forrest	
The SermonWalking In	His Steps, The Path to Discipleship:	
Identity	and Mission, Rev. Dr. Shane Green	
The Hymn of Consecration	Great Is Thy Faithfulness (#140)	
The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the	e World	
The Choral Benediction	Dresden Amen	
The Postlude	Canzon, by H. L. Hasler	
The Church Returns to His World to Serve	Him	