



WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Lent offers a unique opportunity to slow down and examine the deeper aspects of our lives. More than just a time for giving things up, Lent invites us to explore the root causes of our habits, attitudes, and behaviors. This spiritual season encourages us to look inward and ask important questions about why we do what we do, how we respond to others, and what drives our choices. It is in this searching that patience becomes not only necessary but transformative. The process of uncovering what lies beneath the surface of our lives takes time, care, and intentional space—qualities that patience fosters.

Patience itself is often misunderstood as mere waiting or passive endurance. In truth, patience is an active virtue—one that requires strength, self-control, and deep humility. It is the ability to hold space for growth, for healing, and for change, both in ourselves and in others. In a fast-paced, social media dominated, results-driven culture, the need for patience has never been greater. We are often quick to judge, react, or demand immediate solutions, but Lent reminds us that real transformation is slow, quiet, and often hidden. Without patience, we risk missing the subtle movements of grace in our lives.

When we practice patience with others, we are practicing love. Choosing to be patient is choosing to honor the person in front of us—their struggles, their imperfections, their story. It is a refusal to reduce people to their worst moments or their slow progress. In this way, patience becomes an act of compassion. It allows us to walk with others instead of rushing ahead or pushing them from behind. It is love stretched out over time, steady and unwavering.

During Lent, we are invited not only to deepen our faith but also to widen our hearts. As we examine our inner lives and confront uncomfortable truths, we are called to offer the same gentleness to others that we hope to receive ourselves. Patience becomes both a guide and a gift, shaping how we relate to God, ourselves, and those around us. Through patience, Lent becomes more than a ritual—it becomes a path of love.

Traditional Worship

8:30 A.M.

Illges Chapel (M250)

Leader: Rev. John Fugh, Jr.

Sermon: The New Covenant

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Contemporary Worship

9:00 A.M.

Fellowship Hall (M220)

Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green

Sermon: Anticipation of The
Resurrection - Victory is Coming:

Anticipating the Resurrection

Scripture: John 11:17-44

Traditional Worship

11:00 A.M.

Sanctuary (M260)

Leader: Rev. Dr. Shane Green

Sermon: Anticipation of The
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Scripture: John 11:17-44

UPCOMING EVENTS



FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER

Please join us for Family Night Supper this week. Our menu will be Grilled Chicken Breasts, Creamed Corn, Green Beans, Rolls, Super Salad Bar and Assorted Desserts. For the kids we have Grilled Cheese and Fries. The Children's Choirs will sing for our program.

There will be a Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the Consecration of the Columbarium and Memory Garden on Palm Sunday, April 13, after the 11am service. All are invited.



The next St. Paul Membership Class will be April 13, 2025. This class is for those who are new members of St. Paul or those who have expressed an interest in joining. This will be during the Sunday School hour in the Youth Building, Room Y101.

Honor Mack Jenkin's Memory at our next Blood Drive! Join us on April 13 to celebrate Mack Jenkin's life and help save lives by donating blood. Mack, a dedicated donor, gained his angel wings in 2018 after battling ALS. In his honor, we'll share Mary Lou's homemade chocolate chip cookies and great prizes. Stay tuned for more details!

Special Opportunities Coming Up:

Palm Sunday, April 13

Columbarium Consecration, April 13

Holy Week Lunches & Devotionals, April 14-17

Maundy Thursday Service, April 17

Easter Sunday, April 20

Confirmation Sunday, April 27

Graduation Sunday, May 4



Please take note of the insert regarding Easter Lily Honorariums and Memorials. Please use the form provided and place with your check in the offering plate. Checks can be made out to the St. Paul Altar Guild. Deadline: April 10.

We are looking for information on this painting of St. Paul. Do you know anything? Contact us!



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KIDMIN MOMENT BY DONNA HIGHTOWER



One day, two of Jesus' followers were walking to a town called Emmaus. It was the same day that Jesus had risen from the dead, but they didn't know it yet! As they walked, they talked about everything that had happened.

Then, Jesus joined them, but they didn't recognize Him. He asked what they were talking about, and they told Him all about Jesus—without realizing they were talking to Jesus Himself!

When they arrived in Emmaus, they invited Jesus to stay and eat with them. As Jesus took the bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them, they suddenly realized who He was! But at that moment, He disappeared.

This story reminds us that Jesus is always with us, even when we don't recognize Him. It also teaches us that our actions—like kindness and sharing—can show others that we follow Jesus.



Egg Hunt at 2200 Oak Avenue
April 17, 5:15 p.m.

SPY MINISTRY

BY LAURA MARVETS



Hope everyone had a great Spring Break! Truly hope it was restful and a real break from all things sports and school related. Tonight is a regular SNY. See you at 5:30pm. Bring your \$1 for spaghetti and meatballs! Reminder: All registrations for SPY Summer Events are open on our website! Go sign up now. Deadlines are approaching!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, April 6

8:30 AM Traditional Worship (M250)
9:00 AM Contemporary Worship (M220)
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)
5:30 PM Carol and Covenant Choirs Rehearsal (M235)
5:30 PM Sunday Night Youth (Y210)
5:30 PM Snack Supper for Children and Youth (M220)

Monday, April 7

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (M203)

Tuesday, April 8

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, April 9

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 Children Sing (M220)
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (M260)

Thursday, April 10

6:30 AM Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study (M232)
9:30 AM Yoga Redeemed (M235)
9:30 AM Preschool Moms Bible Study (M234)
11:30 CSU Wesley Foundation Luncheon (M220)
1:30 PM Mary Sue Polleys' Small Group (M234)

KIDS KIDS KIDS

Our next Club 45 Meeting (5:30 p.m.) will be Friday, April 11! Donna will provide more details via emails and texts.

Our next Sabbath Before Sunday (3:30 p.m.) will be Good Friday, April 18! We will meet on the playground if weather allows, Y101 if it rains.

TALK ABOUT IT

Today's Sunday School Lesson for Preschool and Elementary Children
The Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35)

Anchor Point – I believe in Jesus.

Say the Bible verse together:
"Happy are those who don't see and yet believe." (John 20:29)

Questions for discussion:

- How do you think the disciples felt as they began the walk to Emmaus?
- Why, do you think, didn't the disciples recognize Jesus when he joined them on the road?
- How do you think the disciples felt when they realized Jesus was alive?

Prayer:

God, thank you for stories that remind us that Jesus is alive. Today we bring to you all the things that make us feel happy and sad and everything in between. Help us to feel your presence with us as we walk through life. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP 371

SERVING THIS WEEK

Acolytes This Week:

(8:30) Mary Ellen Lane and Ruthie Springer

(11:00) Louise Fowler and Lola Waldrep

Cross Bearer: Gardner Fields

Acolyte Helper: Randilyn Cornavaca

Ushers:

- (8:30) Ken Crumpler and Stan Copelan
- (11:00) Kee Evans (Lead), Jay Brodwyn, Tim Shaw, Skip Henderson, Brandon Fields, and Blake Voltz

Altar Guild/Flowers:

- Delivery: Lynn Pugh and Beth Thomas
- Chapel: Mary Lovett Beck

The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of **Alice Gentry Douglas**, on the occasion of her birthday.

The rose bud on the Sanctuary Altar today is in celebration of the birth of **Jack Nichols Bettin**, born March 22, 2025 to Nick and Carolyn Bettin. Brother Charlie welcomes him to the family. Proud grandparents are Pam & Homer Shuler and Mary & Gary Bettin of Columbia, SC.

MEMORIAL AND HONORARIUM GIFTS

Wynnton Neighborhood Network
In Memory of **Jackie Passalaigue**

- by Alice Douglas



Please return forms for Easter Lilies by April 10!



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 6, 2025

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

The Chiming of the Hour

The Welcome & AnnouncementsRev. John Fugh, Jr.

The Choral Call to Worship*I Come With Joy*

The Cross and Flame Come to the Altar

The Prelude.....*Minuet*, by J.S. Bach

Hymn of Celebration.....*Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* (#462)

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.*

The Leader: *Let Us Worship God with His Tithes and Our Offerings.*

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Anthem.....*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*, arr. H. Helvey

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below: praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Scripture Lesson.....John 11:17-44 (pp. 873-874)

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 you.*

Congregational Response: *And also with you.*

The Children’s Moment.....Mrs. Donna Hightower

(Children ages K4-2nd graders are dismissed to go to Children’s Church after the Children’s Sermon; children 3 and younger are taken to the nursery by parents, Room M235)

The Welcome and Registration of Attendance

The Sermon.....*Anticipation of The Resurrection - Victory is Coming: Anticipating the Resurrection*, Rev. Dr. Shane Green

The Sacrament of Holy Communion.....(p. 12)

The Hymn of Consecration.....*Let Us Break Bread Together* (#618)

The Cross and Flame Go Before Us into the World

The Choral Benediction.....*Together Met, Together Bound*

The Postlude.....*Toccata Energico*, by L. Smith

The Church Returns to His World to Serve Him