

SAINTE PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



ASH WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2022
SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH

Whatever brings you here, and whoever you are,
we are glad you are here.

FIRST TIME WORSHIPPING AT ST. PAUL'S?

Are you new to St. Paul's or the surrounding area? Let us know by filling out a Welcome Card located in the pew rack, and we will connect with you. We also have a Welcome Table you can visit following the service in the Memorial Garden.

RESTROOMS

Restrooms are located in the Parish House.

COVID SAFETY

St. Paul's is committed to creating a safe and welcoming environment for everyone who enters our building and grounds. You can read more about our safety protocol, including for children and our response if there is a COVID exposure at St. Paul's, on our website at www.stpaulsrva.org/covidsafety.

CONTACT THE CLERGY

The St. Paul's clergy are eager to hear from you if you have questions, concerns, or a pastoral emergency. Contact can be made by phoning the church at 804.643.3589. The church office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

FAMILY SPACE IN THE SANCTUARY & CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Young ones need to be able to see and feel the worship experience. We have a space at the front right hand side of the church for young children and their parents (3 families can comfortably distance in this space). Feel free to bring quiet items from home specifically for your child and not to be shared. If your child would like to participate in Children's Chapel (children three years old and above) during the sermon, they will be prompted to meet Linda Willis at the brass doors next to the Family Space. We will leave and return in time for Holy Communion. Worship activity bags are available in the Narthex (entrance to the church). Please return following the service.

SUNDAYS AT ST. PAUL'S

Nursery is open from 8:50 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

Children's Sunday School (3yrs – 5th grade) in Scott Hall

Family Group for parents and care-givers in the Family Room on the second floor

Youth Faith Formation (6th – 12th grade) in Youth Room on the second floor

10:00 a.m.

Service of Holy Eucharist in the church

HOLY EUCHARIST

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde gross, BWV 622

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

The people stand as the clergy enter the chancel.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

ALmighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

—————THE LITURGY OF THE WORD—————

THE FIRST READING

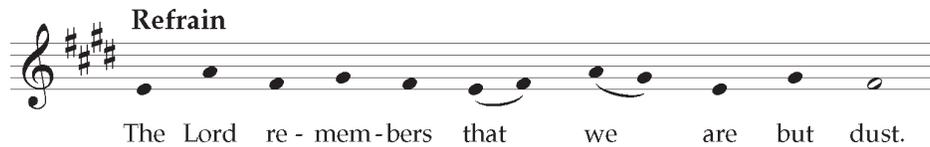
Isaiah 58:1-12

SHOUT OUT, DO NOT HOLD BACK! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The refrain is sung by all, the verses are sung by the choir.



THE LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
 slow to anger and of great kindness.
 He will not always accuse us, *
 nor will he keep his anger for ever.
 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
 nor rewarded us according to our wickedness. **Refrain**

For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
 so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
 As far as the east is from the west, *
 so far has he removed our sins from us. **Refrain**

As a father cares for his children, *
 so does the Lord care for those who fear him.
 For he himself knows whereof we are made; *
 he remembers that we are but dust. **Refrain**

THE SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

WE ENTREAT YOU ON BEHALF OF CHRIST, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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HYMN

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,
3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Text: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)
Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562;
adapt, and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

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

JESUS SAID, "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. "So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

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

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Charles Dupree, D.Min., *Rector*

AN INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF A HOLY LENT

The People stand. The Presider invites the people to the observance of a holy Lent, saying

DEAR PEOPLE OF GOD: The first Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church to prepare for them by a season of penitence and fasting. This season of Lent provided a time in which converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when those who, because of notorious sins, had been separated from the body of the faithful were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to the fellowship of the Church. Thereby, the whole congregation was put in mind of the message of pardon and absolution set forth in the Gospel of our Savior, and of the need which all Christians continually have to renew their repentance and faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. And, to make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now kneel before the Lord, our maker and redeemer.

Silence is then kept for a time, all kneeling.

THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

The Presider says

ALMIGHTY GOD, you have created us out of the dust of the earth: Grant that these ashes may be to us a sign of our mortality and penitence, that we may remember that it is only by your gracious gift that we are given everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Those wishing to receive the imposition of ashes are invited to come to the altar rail.

PSALM 51 *Miserere mei, Deus*

chant: James Frazier (b. 1947)

During the imposition of ashes the Psalm is chanted by the choir.

HAVE MERCY ON ME, O GOD, according to your lovingkindness; *
In your great compassion blot out my offenses.
Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.
Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.
And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
I shall teach your ways to the wicked, *
and sinners shall return to you.
Deliver me from death, O God, *
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.
Open my lips, O Lord, *
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice; *
but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.
The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; *
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

LITANY OF PENITENCE

The Leader and people together, all kneeling

MOST MERCIFUL GOD:
**We confess to you and to one another,
and to the whole communion of saints
in heaven and on earth,
that we have sinned by our own fault
in thought, word, and deed;
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

The Leader continues

We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We have not forgiven others, as we have been forgiven.
Have mercy on us, Lord.

We have been deaf to your call to serve, as Christ served us.
We have not been true to the mind of Christ.
We have grieved your Holy Spirit.
Have mercy on us, Lord.

We confess to you, Lord, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience of our lives,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our self-indulgent appetites and ways, and our exploitation of other people,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our anger at our own frustration, and our envy of those more fortunate than ourselves,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts, and our dishonesty in daily life and work,
We confess to you, Lord.

Our negligence in prayer and worship, and our failure to commend the faith that is in us,
We confess to you, Lord.

Accept our repentance, Lord, for the wrongs we have done:
for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

For all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors,
and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

For our waste and pollution of your creation, and our lack of concern for those who come after us,
Accept our repentance, Lord.

Restore us, good Lord, and let your anger depart from us;
Favorably hear us, for your mercy is great.

Accomplish in us the work of your salvation,
That we may show forth your glory in the world.

By the cross and passion of your Son our Lord,
Bring us with all your saints to the joy of his resurrection.

The Presider, stands and, facing the people, says

ALmighty God, who desires not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness and live, has given power and commandment to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all those who truly repent, and with sincere hearts believe his holy Gospel.

Therefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do on this day, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy, so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

—————THE HOLY COMMUNION—————

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

music: attrib. Richard Farrant (1530-1580)

text: *Lidley's Prayers*, 1566

LORD, FOR THY TENDER MERCY'S SAKE,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee,
now and evermore. Amen.

The people stand.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

WE PRAISE YOU AND WE BLESS YOU, Holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Text: Mass Ordinary, Fifth century

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

The people may stand or kneel as the Presider continues.

GLORY AND HONOR and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Paul and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread followed by silence.

AGNUS DEI

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Text: Mass Ordinary, Thirteenth century

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE AND HOLY COMMUNION

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. An usher will signal when you can go forward to receive the bread. If you are unable to come forward, but desire Communion, please notify an usher and Communion will be brought to you in your pew. If, for whatever reason, you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come forward for a prayer; please indicate your desire for this by crossing your arms across your chest.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

music: Richard Farrant (1530-1580)

text: Psalm 25:5-6

CALL TO REMEMBRANCE, O Lord,
Thy tender mercies
and Thy loving kindness,
which hath been ever of old,
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
but according to Thy mercy
think Thou on me, O Lord,
for Thy goodness.

HYMN

1 Wilt thou for - give that sin, where I be - gun,
2 Wilt thou for - give that sin, by which I won
3 I have a sin of fear that when I've spun

which is my sin, though it were done be - fore?
o - thers to sin, and made my sin their door?
my last thread, I shall per - ish on the shore;

Wilt thou for - give those sins through which I run,
Wilt thou for - give that sin which I did shun
swear by thy - self, that at my death thy Son

and do run still, though still I do de - plore?
a year or two, but wal - lowed in a score?
shall shine as he shines now, and here - to - fore.

When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.
When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.
And hav - ing done that, thou hast done, I fear no more.

Text: John Donne (1573-1631)

Music: Donne, melody and bass John Hilton (1599-1657), alt.; harm. Roy F. Kehl (1935-2011), after Elizabeth Poston (1905-1987)

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand, saying together

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE DISMISSAL

The Presider gives the dismissal.

People

Thanks be to God!

HYMN



1 The glo - ry of these for - ty days we
2 A - lone and fast - ing Mo - ses saw the
3 So Dan - iel trained his mys - tic sight, de -
4 Then grant us, Lord, like them to be full
* 5 O Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit blest, to



1 ce - le - brate with songs of praise; for Christ, through whom all
2 lov - ing God who gave the law; and to E - li - jah,
3 liv - ered from the li - ons' might; and John, the Bride - groom's
4 oft in fast and prayer with thee; our spi - rits strength - en
5 thee be ev - ery prayer ad - dressed, who art in three - fold



1 things were made, him - self has fast - ed and has prayed.
2 fast - ing, came the steeds and char - i - ots of flame.
3 friend, be - came the her - ald of Mes - si - ah's name.
4 with thy grace, and give us joy to see thy face.
5 Name a - dored, from age to age, the on - ly Lord.

Text: Latin, 6th cent.; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862-1947), alt.

Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Leiden*, 1543;
harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

All depart in silence.

PARTICIPANTS

Clergy

The Reverend Charles Dupree, D.Min., *Rector*
The Reverend Gwynn Crichton, *Associate Rector for Pastoral Care*
The Reverend Rainey G. Dankel, *Associate Rector for Parish Life*
The Reverend Keli Shipley Cooper, *Associate for Programming*

Preacher

The Reverend Charles Dupree, D.Min., *Rector*

Musicians

Dr. Christopher Reynolds, *Director of Music and Organist*
Karen Harris, *Assistant Director of Music*
The Saint Paul's Choir

Lectors

Howard Wells
Deborah Love Yoder

Altar Guild

Vivian Cramer, Yvonne Gold, Rebecca Wall, Polly Wrinkle;
Michelle Whitehurst-Cook, *chair*

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Vestry Election Results | On behalf of the Vestry and Vestry Nominating Committee many thanks to all of our candidates willing to serve St. Paul's Vestry. Congratulations to the newly elected persons: Stephanie Hill Blackwood, Brian Carr, Mitch Oxford and Tom Smith. We appreciate your prayers and support as we continue to work together serving St. Paul's family and community.

Canti Children's Choir Spring Schedule | Canti is St. Paul's children's choir, open to all school-age children with unchanged voices who can read. In-person rehearsals will begin on Sunday, March 6th, 11:20 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and will take place each week through Sunday, April 3rd. Rehearsals will pick up again on May 8th and 15th. Canti will sing Sunday, April 24th and Sunday, May 22nd during the 10:00 a.m. service. For more information and/or to sign up, please contact Karen Harris, Assistant Director of Music, at kharris@stpaulsrva.org or 804-382-1900.

LENTEN SPEAKER SERIES and LUNCHESES | Wednesdays at noon (March 9th – April 6th). The theme of the series is “Telling our Stories.” We will hear from artists of various media: a novelist, an arts curator, and a visual artist, as they describe their own journeys in conversation with Rector Charlie Dupree and Senior Warden Barbara Holley. LUNCHESES! Lunch will be available for take-out only following our Lenten Speaker and will be available for pick up in the Parish Hall from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch must be preordered on our website by the prior Wednesday for pick up the following Wednesday. More details at www.stpaulsrva.org/lent2022.

Episcopal 101 Offered During Lent | March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on Zoom. Our Episcopal 101 (also known as Inquirer's) class is geared towards newcomers and adults preparing for baptism but is open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the church, and specifically about the Episcopal Church. If you are interested in joining us for this class or would like to participate in a future offering, contact The Rev. Keli Shipley Cooper at kshipleycooper@stpaulsrva.org or 804-545-5405.

Contemplative Worship Service | Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. (Beginning March 9th) - An intimate service of peaceful music, prayerful reflection, and Holy Eucharist. Drawing on the traditions of Taizé chant and meditative listening, each week we focus on a phrase in the Lord's Prayer, as we deepen our understanding of the words that Jesus gives us.

Stations of St. Paul's | Fridays at noon during Lent. Developed out of the History and Reconciliation Initiative and in partnership with papercut artist, Janelle Washington, each station depicts a specific moment in St. Paul's history with a focus on race relations. These 14 moments were chosen to represent the whole sweep of the congregation's 175-year history. Learn more at stpaulsrva.org/rectors-blog/stations-of-st-pauls.

Rector's Bible Study | Sundays from 9:00-9:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall. - The season of Lent invites us into intentional prayer and reflection, including reading and meditation on God's holy Word. Join Charlie on Sundays before worship for an in-person Bible Study. The Bible Study will explore the Gospel reading for that Sunday morning, engaging the text itself and reflecting on its meaning for us today. Vaccination required to participate.

Holy Living, Holy Dying: A Two-Part Workshop on End of Life Issues | Join the clergy of St. Paul's during Lent for a series of faithful and life-giving conversations about the end-of-life. In the first of two workshops, we will explore personal, cultural, and theological beliefs about death and dying. In the second workshop, we will learn about practical tools for making known and communicating our wishes for a “good” death and funeral to our loved ones. Session 1: Saturday, March 12th, 10 a.m. until Noon and Session 2: Saturday, March 19th, 10 a.m. until Noon. More details and to register at www.stpaulsrva.org/holy-living-dying.

Helping Refugees | Do you have the gift of organization? We are looking for a few folks to help lead a collection drive for an Afghan family settling in Richmond. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lynn Williams, Director of Community Engagement at lwilliams@stpaulsrva.org.

Giving to St. Paul's | You can make your offering online at www.stpaulsrva.org/giving or by texting stpaulsrva to 73256. Offering boxes are in the back of the Narthex (church entrance) and giving envelopes are in the pews. Thank you for your generosity!



ST. PAUL'S
CELEBRATING *175* YEARS