



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*We follow Jesus, welcome all, and nurture ministries.*



*Online Bulletin*

## The First Sunday in Lent

Year B

February 18, 2018 10:15 a.m.

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### *Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.*

*Whether this is your first visit or you have been a member for years, we're glad you're here! This bulletin is designed to guide you through the service. Hymnals, Bibles and the Book of Common Prayer are in the pews and available for your use as well.*

*Our youngest guests are welcome to attend services or may join Miss Wendy in the nursery (room 2) where we have toys, Bible Stories, music and art projects available.*

*Our Sunday school program (K-grade 5) begins at 10am on the Labyrinth. After joining the procession in the church, our program continues in room 7 where they participate in Children's Chapel, hear a Bible story, and enjoy fun and engaging activities related to that story. Children return to the church to join their families for Eucharist.*

*Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets in the Youth Center at 10am for the opportunity to explore the Bible, express their faith through art and discuss important questions. They join us for Eucharist.*

*Again, welcome and please let us know if there's anything we can do to make your time with us more enriching and enjoyable.*

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## Holy Eucharist

### *A Penitential Order for Lent*

#### **Prelude**

*Have mercy, O Lord, for the Sake of My Sins*

*J.S. Bach*

#### **Silent Procession**

*At the sound of the bell, please stand.*

*Celebrant  
People*

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;  
**His mercy endures for ever.**

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 351

*Celebrant*

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

*Mark 12:29-31*

*Please remain standing or kneel as you prefer.*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

### *Liturgy of the Word*

**Trisagion**

**Hymnal S102**

*Please stand.*

*The service music can be found in the front of the hymnal.*

**Holy God, Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy upon us.**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

*Please be seated.*

*As Episcopalians, our custom is to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest Holy Scripture. You are invited to do so right here in your bulletin.*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 25:1-9

1 To you, O God, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

3 Show me your ways, O God, \*  
and teach me your paths.

4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

5 Remember, O God, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.

6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O God.

7 Gracious and upright are you; \*  
therefore you teaches sinner in your way.

8 You guide the humble in doing right \*  
and teach your way to the lowly.

9 All your paths are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

## Second Reading

1 Peter 3:18-22

A Reading from the First Letter to Peter.

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord

*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

**God be in my head**

**Hymnal 694**

*All stand to sing.*

## Holy Gospel

Mark 1:9-15

*Remain standing and face the Gospel.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

The Reverend Dr. Richard Swanson

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

*All stand and together say*

**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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.**

**Prayers of the People**

*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

*Deacon*

We are baptized to lift up, day by day, all the needy world to God. Let us pray for all who are in need, saying: Have mercy, O Lord.

*Leader*

For the church, that all who have found God's promise in the waters of baptism may enter gladly into the testing time of Lent, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For our world, that all living creatures may find goodness on the earth, our home, where life and death may both be God's blessing, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For the people of our nation, our city, our community, and especially those affected by the recent fires and floods, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

For ourselves in this assembly, that we may strain forward toward Easter, caring for our sick and needy especially (*the people may add their petitions either silently or aloud*), remembering our dead, (*the people may add their petitions either silently or aloud*) and believing in our every deed the good news, we pray: **Have mercy, O Lord.**

*Deacon*

God of wild beasts and of angels, of waters and wilderness, remember us; remember all whom we remember; remember the covenant you made with every living creature, for that is our bond with you now and forever. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand as they are able.*

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

## Announcements

### Prayers for birthdays and anniversaries.

*For other prayer requests, trained lay prayer ministers will be available in the chapel or beside the vigil candle rack during Eucharist to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed.*

## *Liturgy of the Table*

But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.  
*Hebrews 13:15, 16*

**Offertory** *Healing Waters* *Trevor Thomson*

**Presentation Hymn** **Lord, who throughout these forty days** **Hymnal 142**  
*Please stand.*

**Great Thanksgiving** *The people remain standing.* Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for 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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

Be known to us Lord, Jesus, in the breaking of the bread.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine made holy. The table we set is the Lord's. Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome at communion. Our custom is to receive the bread in your open palm. Please tell the priest if you prefer a gluten-free wafer. Sip the wine, if you wish it, from the common cup, guiding the chalice gently with your hand or the Eucharistic Minister will dip the bread for you. Otherwise, cross your arms over your chest as a sign you wish a blessing from the priest.*

*Trained lay prayer ministers are stationed in the chapel or beside the vigil candle rack to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed. Rejoin the other worshipers for the post communion prayer.*

<b>Communion Music</b>	<i>Give ear, O Lord</i>	<i>G.F. Händel, arr. Hal H. Hopson</i>
	<i>Sarabande</i>	<i>G.F. Händel</i>
	<b>Wait for the Lord</b>	<b>Taizé</b>
	<b>Wait for the Lord, whose day is near, Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!</b>	

### **Postcommunion Prayer**

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

*When the Eucharist is being taken out to those who are sick or shut-in, we will pray together.*

**In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

### **Solemn Prayer over the People**

*Remain standing or kneeling.*

*Deacon* Bow down before the Lord.

*Celebrant* 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.**

**Concluding Hymn    God be with you till we meet again    Wonder, Love and Praise 801**

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

*Unison* *Harmony*

1. God be with you till we meet a - gain; by wise coun - sels  
2. God be with you till we meet a - gain; 'neath bright wings pro -  
3. God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's pe - rils  
4. God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's ban - ner

guide, up - hold you, with the sheep se - cure - ly fold you:  
tect - ing hide you, dail - y man - na still pro - vide you:  
thick con - found you, put strong arms un - fail - ing round you:  
float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - 'ning wave be - fore you:

*Unison*

God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
God be with you till we meet a - gain.

**Silent Recession**

*Please stand.*

**Dismissal**

*Deacon*    Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

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## ***Welcome! We're so glad you're here.***

- Our ushers welcome your inquiries. They can provide assisted listening devices, information about our ministries, as well as directions to the restrooms, nursery, and classrooms.
- Please take the brochure from the pew and learn more about St. Paul's and our traditional worship, dynamic preaching and a call to serve.
- You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service and we hope you will stay for Fellowship & Formation from 11:30-noon. For information on today's topic, please see the announcements below.
- Infants and children are welcome here. Children under five years old may receive care in the nursery (room 2) from 10-noon. Parents are also welcome to keep their children with them and may have access to the nursery for their convenience. The service can be heard from the narthex (lobby) and activity bags for children can be found there.

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## ***2/18 Serving This Week***

### **10:15am**

<b>Acolytes</b>	Gabe & Maryann Lamola
<b>Chalice</b>	Drew Darby, Larry Myers
<b>Psalm</b>	Drew Darby
<b>Lay Readers</b>	Roger Crow, Ralph Armstrong
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Bridget Nahabedian
<b>Ushers</b>	Tamara Nerdrum, Woody Bretz
<b>Eucharistic Prayer Ministry</b>	Marjorie & Charles Cole
<b>Sunday School Leaders</b>	Karyn & Greg Jackson
<b>Welcome Ministry</b>	Guadalupe Guillén, Julie Braithwaite
<b>Hospitality</b>	Bowers, Wakelee, Wareham
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dela Parker, Carole Nelson, Kathy Loest, Susan Talmadge
<b>Counters</b>	Marilyn Angelo, Susan Talmadge
<b>Facility Lock Up</b>	Greg Jackson

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**St. Paul's GO**

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**Here's How:**



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password is 8056435033
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3. Open the app and scan the QR Code.

## ***Prayer Intentions for the Week of February 18, 2018***

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury  
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop  
John Taylor, Bishop Diocesan  
Diane Bruce, Bishop Suffragan

President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts  
Governor Jerry Brown, Legislature, State Courts  
Our clergy: Susan Bek, Ed Steever, Dick Swanson

### ***HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:***

Lillian, Wayne, Marilyn, Adele, Babs, James, Jacob, Jim, Carolyn, Stephanie, Maggie, Duncan, Shelia, Janet, Frank, Julie, Helen, Kevin, Paul, Cathy, Carol, Randy, Carolin, Anzhela

### ***THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:***

Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Lucille, Rachel, Kathy, Doug, Kim

*Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month. Contact the office with your request which may be added at any time. If you prefer your prayers to remain confidential, the Daughters of the King will add them to their daily prayer list for one month. They may be requested and/or renewed by using the prayer cards in the pews.*

### ***FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON:***

- + The ministry of Family to Family; all who volunteer and/or give financially to feed Ventura's hungry.
- + Our local public and private hospitals, and the health care professionals who serve us.
- + U.S. Armed Forces personnel serving around the world and wounded warriors cared for in medical centers and those returned home.

### ***GIVE THANKS FOR:***

- + Our partners in the Diocese of Los Angeles in Deanery One in Santa Barbara County: *St. Mary's*, Lompoc; *St. Mark's*, Los Olivos; *All Saints'*, *Christ the King*, *Trinity*, Santa Barbara; *St. Peter's*, Santa Maria; *St. Michael's Mission & campus ministry* at UCSB in Isla Vista, *Mount Calvary Monastery & Retreat House*, Santa Barbara.
- + Our World Mission Companions in the Diocese of Wiawso: The Cathedral Church of the Ascension; the Diocese of Jerusalem and Diocese of El Salvador.
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *First United Methodist*, *Trinity Lutheran*, *Our Lady of the Assumption churches and the Salvation Army*



### **St. Paul's Episcopal Church Staff**

The Rev. Susan Bek, Rector; The Rev. Ed Steever, Deacon

The Rev. Dr. Richard Swanson, Assisting

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## Highlights of This Week at St. Paul's

<b>Today</b> <b>02/18</b>	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Rite II Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship & Formation (Kahler Hall)
	12:00 pm	Newcomer Orientation (Youth Room)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Monday</b> <b>02/19</b>	9:30 am	Family to Family (303 N. Ventura Ave.)
	11:30 am	Tai Chi - Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Tues.</b> <b>02/20</b>	6:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop (Youth Room, Kahler Hall)
<b>Wed.</b> <b>02/21</b>	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:30 pm	Tai Chi - Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	6:00 pm	Finance Committee (Room 13)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
<b>Thurs.</b> <b>02/22</b>	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<b>Fri.</b> <b>02/23</b>	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:15 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 pm	Lenten Soup & Salad Supper (Kahler Hall)
	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (Church)
<b>Sat</b> <b>02/24</b>	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)

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## Announcements

*Thank you for joining us today!  
As Ventura works to recover and find the way forward after fire and flood,  
St. Paul's is here to help.  
We're praying for you every day.  
Please let us know what else you need. God bless you!*



Please help us thank the following people for our refreshments this morning.

8:00 Wes Cullins, Bill Brewer

10:15 Renee Bowers, Joanne & Dan Wakelee, Judy Wareham

***Please join us again next Sunday!***

### **MUSIC at ST. PAUL'S**



**THIS SUNDAY:** Thank you to today's cantor, Diego Magaña. Special thanks to the musicians at the 10:15 service, Reid Edwards, guitar, Daniel Smithson, percussion and Natalie Epelone, voice.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Come and enjoy the beautiful organ and piano music and musician Louise Bretz, flute.

## Newcomer Orientation

**ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH**

**WELCOMES  
You!**

**SUNDAYS FROM 12-1 P.M. IN MEETING ROOM BEHIND THE KITCHEN**

**2/18 Getting to Know Each Other and the Episcopal Church**

2/25 Understanding our Worship and Exploring our Ministries

3/4 Serving the World in the Name of Christ

**Ask YOUR Questions, Meet People, Explore THE Faith**

*All are welcome!*



**REACH! In FEBRUARY:** Support the fundraiser to purchase the food and paper goods for our monthly Family to Family lunch ministry. During February, we will ask for donations to fund our ministry for the year. We serve 250 lunch plates for about \$2.20/plate and have used up last year's fund. Our goal is \$6,600 for the year. This ministry is entirely dependent on your generous donations and is not funded with pledges. Place your donation envelope/check in the plate this Sunday! *Donate in person, on the website, use PayPal or send in a check. It all is appreciated!* As of Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, donations total \$2542. This is enough to provide meals through April.



**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 FAMILY TO FAMILY:** Come serve a hot lunch tomorrow at 303 N. Ventura Avenue. Paula is our volunteer coordinator. Preparation and set up begins at 9:30 am; servers are needed between 11:30 and 12:30 pm. We are asking for 2 additional organizers to each take over one Monday per quarter. It is simple, the shopping list is easy, the meal appreciated and a great team of volunteers. Prayerfully consider and direct your questions to Paula.



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - PIANO CONCERT:** Althea Waites will play a piano recital here on February 25<sup>th</sup>, featuring works by favorite composers such as Bach, Beethoven and Chopin as well as modern composer, Tania Leon. Ms. Waites has been acclaimed throughout the United States, Europe and Asia as a brilliant soloist, chamber musician and collaborative artist. In addition to performances on many of the world's prestigious concert stages, she has also appeared in recital at major festivals including Aspen, Tanglewood, the Idyllwild Arts Festival in Southern California and the Yale Summer Festival at Norfolk, Connecticut.



**SUNDAY, MARCH 11 ST PATRICK'S DAY DINNER:** Save the date. 4:30-7pm Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage. Details to come.



**SATURDAY, MARCH 31 – BAPTISM OPPORTUNITY**

The next opportunity for baptism is during the 8pm service of The Great Vigil of Easter. Bishop Diane Jardine Bruce will be presiding. Contact Rev. Susan if you are interested.

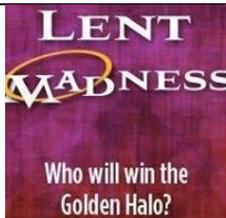
## Opportunities



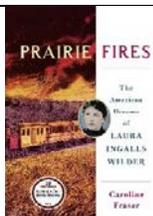
**FOOD PANTRY:** Thank you for all of your donations. The wish list for this month includes juice, water or protein drinks. Socks are always appreciated. If you would like to make a cash donation, note Food Pantry on the memo line of your check. Our shopper, Bill Brewer, will spend it wisely. Thank you for feeding our hungry neighbors.



**EASTER FLOWERS & MUSIC:** Would you like to make a donation in thanksgiving for your blessings or in memory of a loved one? We are now collecting for Flowers and Music that will help to make our Easter services truly glorious. Place your donation in one of the envelopes provided for flowers and music or place it in the offering plate. Be sure to note in the memo line "Easter Flowers & Music".



**LENT MADNESS 2018:** Which Saint will win the Golden Halo? The "Saintly Smackdown" has begun. This Lent tradition is a wild, joyful and educational glimpse into the lives of saints both traditional and contemporary. Keep up with Lent Madness online [www.lentmadness.org](http://www.lentmadness.org) or via the bulletin board in Kahler Hall, vote & leave comments on the website, enjoy the friendly rivalry and above all, delight in seeing how each saint was a powerful witness of Jesus Christ.



**1ST MONDAY BOOK CLUB-February Selection**

February's selection is Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder by Caroline Fraser. We will meet **March 5th** to discuss. We gather at Panera Bread at 5pm for food and drink. Discussion starts around 5:30pm. Contact Paula Robertson with any questions. Parishioners & friends are invited. *(Sponsored by Daughters of the King.)*



FEMA

**FEMA DISASTER ASSISTANCE FOR INDIVIDUALS – REGISTER NOW**

Residents of Ventura, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and San Diego Counties who suffered damage or losses from the recent wildfires and flooding, mudflows and debris flows can now register for assistance online at [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) or by phone at 800-621-3362. The toll-free number is open 7am – 10pm seven days a week.

Details and updates are available at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) Residents should register even if they have insurance. Free wifi is available at St. Paul’s as well as a computer if you need to access. Call the office before stopping by so we don’t miss you. 805-643-5033



**DIOCESAN FIRE & FLOOD RELIEF FUND:** Under the direction of Bishop Diocesan John H. Taylor, the Diocese of Los Angeles has started a relief fund that will assist people -- particularly the poor and homeless--in the diocese affected by the recent fires and floods. Donations may be made online at [www.EDLAFireHelp.org](http://www.EDLAFireHelp.org); or by checks made payable to the Diocese of Los Angeles ("Fire/Flood Relief Fund" in the memo line) and sent to the Cathedral Center of St. Paul, 840 Echo Park Avenue, Los Angeles 90026.



Episcopal Relief & Development  
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**EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT (ERD)** is also receiving donations for relief work in the impacted areas. Make contributions online at: [www.episcopalrelief.org](http://www.episcopalrelief.org) or mail checks to Episcopal Relief & Development, PO Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058.



**ST. PAUL’S RECTOR’S DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNT:** We continue to receive donations to help those less fortunate in our community. Note “Fire/Flood Relief” in the memo line of your check or Paypal transaction to St. Paul’s and it will be used specifically for those impacted.