



Sunday, March 8, 2026
The Third Sunday of Lent
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Upper South Carolina
 Parish Mission: "Growing in Christ, Serving God's People"
 Diocesan Vision: "Making, Equipping, Sending Mature Disciples of Christ"

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Interim Rector, The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr.
 Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, Jane Kilpatrick
 Interim Organist Steven Aycock
 Parish Secretary, Brenda Vale



**Reminder to set your clocks ahead
 one hour Saturday night before
 going to bed.**

This Week's Schedule

Sunday at 8:00 AM	Rite I Holy Eucharist
Sunday at 9:15 AM	Bible Study with Father Ed
Sunday at 10:15 AM	All Youth meet in the Youth Room
Sunday at 10:30 AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist
Sunday after 10:30 service	Acolyte training
Tuesday at 11:00 AM	Book Study
Wednesday	Office Open
Thursday	Office Open

St. Paul's Prayer List

*May God the Father bless you; May God the Son heal you; May God the Holy Spirit give you strength.
 May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to His
 heavenly country, where He lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.*

Those in need of prayer:

Shelly Artello, Sally Beyer, Henry Carter, Dan Centea, Marianne Clark, Russell Hawes, May Hennessy, Robert Krychiw, Libby Justice, Mary Ann Saint, Michele Erickson, Rachel Joiner, Ron Covington, Keira Esposito, Rita, Jan Arnold, Linda Anderson, Craig, Douglas Devanney, Kevin Meyer, Mike Craven, Heather Hovde, Don Peeler, Joe Monza, the King family, Rick Smith, Blaine Walker, Pat Malchak, Zoe Lloyd, Paul Kanute, Elizabeth Howard and the Robinson family.

Please pray for those who have died, especially Marybeth Robinson.

If you need to be added or have someone that we need to pray for, please email the church office at stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com or call 803.547.5968 and leave a message. Unless requested, each name will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks.

Reminder: Please wear your name badges especially during this transition time with our Interim Rector and Interim Organist.

Check the coat hooks in the Narthex for your completed name tag. Name tags are in alphabetical order by last name. You may need to check a couple hooks to find your new tag.

Please let Brenda know via email @stpaulsfortmill@gmail.com or phone 803-547-5968 if you need a name tag.

**In the event of a pastoral emergency,
contact
The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr.**

Parish-wide Survey-The Vestry is prayerfully discerning how our parish can continue to grow in faith, service, and community. To guide this work, we are inviting every member of the congregation to share their hopes and priorities through a brief parish-wide survey.

We hope you will take a few minutes to complete the survey and let your voice be part of our shared vision for the coming year. You may access it directly at <https://forms.gle/b3BCDKGv7FdJMWBx6> , or by scanning the QR code included below.



Bible and Book Studies

The Weekly Bible Study with The Reverend Ed – On Sunday, March 8th, we will discuss John 9:1-41 the man blind from birth. On Sunday, March 15th, we will discuss John 11:1-34, the raising of Lazarus.

Tuesday Book Study will meet on March 10th at 11 AM, we will discuss chapter 2 of *The Dream of God* by Verna Dozier. If you would like a copy of the book, speak to Jane. (We look forward to seeing you!)

Christian Education

In addition to volunteers, those welcoming and leading our children and youth are:

Nursery: Aiyana (Miss Flowers) Flowers, Nursery Coordinator (2016), has a Masters in Literacy from Winthrop University and is a third-grade teacher.

Kids' Corner and Youth Groups: Jane (Ms. Jane) Kilpatrick (2015), Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, has a Masters in Christian Education and has served in Episcopal churches for over 20 years.

Youth Groups: Phoebe Arthur Connor (Middle School), Stephanie and Chris Krafft (High School) are experienced in teaching children and youth. There are five boys between the two families.

Kids' Corner (K-4), Sunday mornings beginning at 10:15 – we explore the lessons through stories, scripture, discussion and a variety of crafts, experiments, puzzles, and art. On Sunday, January 25th we will discuss the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle.

Nursery and Kid's Corner begins at 10:15 AM, both located in Homan Hall.

Youth Groups

March 8th – 10:15 AM All Youth (5th grade, Middle School and High School) meet in the Youth Room for Sunday Morning Thoughts.

March 13th-15th – High School Happening



Registration info: Happening #94 (9-12)

March 13 - March 15

Registration: <https://www.vancoevents.com/us/DOVW>

Candidate Fee: \$139; \$85 Scholarship Available

April 4th- 11:00 AM Stuff and hide Easter Eggs.

April 10th-12th – Middle School (6th-8th grade) New Beginnings Retreat at Camp Gravatt.

April 19th – 10:15 AM 5th grade, Middle School and High School for Sunday Morning Thoughts.
12:15 PM Fifth grade, Middle School and High School Laser Tag.

EDUSC SUMMER MISSION TRIP

GRADES 7 – 12

Our 2026 diocesan summer mission trip will take place June 21-26 in Laurel Springs, NC at the Laurel Springs Camp & Conference Center. We will be participating in a variety of projects to help those in the local community. The cost is \$500 and will include lodging, all meals, and supplies for our projects throughout the week.

To register go to: <https://www.vancoevents.com/us/DOZL>
Payment will be collected at a later date. Scholarship funds are available.

God is Always with You and God Always Loves You.
Be in Touch! Jane Kilpatrick, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries

Serving Our Parish

Greetings Parishioners!

It's time to restock our paper supplies so we have plenty on hand for our monthly breakfasts and any special events. When doing your shopping please look for sales on the following:

heavy duty paper plates, 8 1/2" or 10" would be just fine
heavy duty paper 12 or 20 oz bowls
napkins
heavy duty clear plastic forks, spoons and knives
cases of 8 oz water bottles
(paper coffee cups are not needed at this time)

Also, watch for sales on 33 - 40 gal. black plastic garbage bags, any brand (note! no smaller than 33 gal)
13 gal white 'tall kitchen' garbage bags, any brand

Please leave all supplies in the kitchen. Thanks in advance for your ongoing support and generosity!!!



The Breakfast Brigade is forming. Volunteers are needed to help set up and clean up for the First Sunday of the Month Breakfast. Duties include starting coffee, putting out utensils, setting up tables, etc. For questions or to volunteer, please contact Dee Hodnett.

Many of our Google reviews are aged. We encourage members to leave a review based on their experience at St. Paul's.

Instructions

On a Desktop/Browser

1. Go to Google Maps: or Google Search and search for the business.
2. Click on the business's profile: on the right side of the search results.
3. Find the Reviews section, click the stars, then click "Write a review".
4. Rate and write your review, add photos if desired, and click "Post".

On a Mobile Device (App)

1. Open [Google Maps](#): and search for the business.
2. Tap the business name, then scroll down to the "Reviews" section.
3. Tap the stars: to select your rating (1-5).
4. Write your review: and add photos if you like, then tap "Post".



Serving Our Neighbors 2025



Operation Love is back for Easter!

As we did prior to Thanksgiving, we will be hosting volunteers from a few local entities to assemble and give dinner baskets to families in need. We will need volunteers for the physical work on Sunday 3/29 from 2-5 pm and will be collecting donations for both dry goods and Chickens. The week prior, there will be a freezer just outside Close Hall. Dry goods can also be left next to that freezer.

The QR here is for the dry goods donation sign-up genius. A sign up for families looking to receive will be coming soon.



Contact Steve Lovejoy with any questions.

Fort Mill Care Center –March needs include canned pasta, canned collards, canned spinach, shelf stable milk, laundry detergent, maxi pads, and women’s incontinence (m-xxl). Perishable items needed are fresh or frozen hams, cheese, eggs, frozen chicken breasts or thighs. At the current time, they do not need peanut butter, green beans, corn or macaroni and cheese. They also have posted an Amazon wish list on their website fortmillcarecenter.org **Please drop off non-perishable items in the grocery cart outside by the main door. Please do not leave Perishable items in the grocery cart.**

If you’re able to make financial donations, please consider:

Please do remember that cash donations are always welcome at the organizations we help to serve:

<https://bethelshelters.org/services>

<https://www.fortmillcarecenter.org/monetary-donations/>

www.FoodForThePoor.org www.SAMS-USA.org (the Vivanco Family)

The Historic Paradise Foundation, 105 Lestina Court, Fort Mill, SC, United States, 29715

www.educationequalshope.org

<https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate>

Notes from the Office



Easter Memorial Flower envelopes are in the Narthex. Please have your dedication into the church office by Wednesday, April 1st at Noon so that your dedication may be included in the bulletin.

In an effort to eliminate scam texts, etc, from now on, the office will use only your email address that is currently on record. If you need to update your email information, there is a form on the Church Secretary's office door to notify the office of the change.



Please continue to be alert and cautious if you receive any suspicious emails or texts. Do not respond to them. If any doubt, please contact the Church Office. Remember, Father Ed will not ask for money or gift cards!

Please observe the speed limit in the entire neighborhood but especially on Pine Street and Springs St. We want to be good neighbors in this community. The neighbors help keep watch over the church, and we want to respect the neighborhood.



March Birthdays

1 st	Joan Kirkpatrick	17 th	Hayes Thomas
3 rd	Julia Bemis	20 th	Patricia Malchak
3 rd	Charles Frank	20 th	Joanne Edwards
5 th	Claire Daly	22 nd	Chris Hage
7 th	John Wakefield	22 nd	Catherine Lindgren
7 th	Susan Nation	23 rd	Alice Lovejoy
7 th	Brenda Vale	24 th	Fran Schrag
9 th	Michelle Warren	29 th	Michael Chambers
10 th	Don Peeler	30 th	Mary Luzzi
11 th	Kaylee Battle	31 st	Ginny Arthur
12 th	Andrew Condon	31 st	Kenny Verastegui
16 th	Heather Hovde	31 st	David Dudley
16 th	Michaela Riker		



March Anniversaries

9 th	Hayes & Judy Thomas
16 th	Dennis & Joanne Edwards
20 th	Heather Hovde & Niall Paule
22 nd	Jay & Betty Allegretti



2026 Vestry members

Senior Warden: Chris Masoomian

Jr. Warden: Dee Hodnett

Clerk: Amanda Riker

David Dudley

Stephen Lovejoy

Carolyn Line

Ben Madej

Chris Lombard

Treasurer: Dennis Edwards

Finance Committee: Kent Weymouth

Contributions Secretary: John Connor



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 Parish Breakfast 9:15 AM Youth Lunch and Bowling	2	3 Book Study 11 AM	4 Bethel Men's Shelter Dinner	5 Father Ed is in the office	6 Father Ed is in the office	7
8 Acolyte training following 10:30 service	9	10 Book Study 11 AM	11 Father Ed is in the office	12 Father Ed is in the office	13 Father Ed is out of the office	14
15 Vestry Meeting	16	17 Book Study 11 AM	18	19 Father Ed is in the office	20 Father Ed is in the office	21
22	23	24 Book Study 11 AM	25	26 Father Ed is in the office	27 Father Ed is in the office	28
29	30	31 Book Study 11 AM				

	Date	3/1/2026	3/8/2026	3/15/2026	3/22/2026	3/29/2026
	VOD	Steve Lovejoy	Chris Masoomian	David Dudley	Dee Hodnett	Ben Madej
	Counter 1	Dennis Edwards	Donna Dudley	Barbara Bartell	Diane Lawton	Dee Hodnett
	Counter 2	Diane Lawton	Libby Chambers	Niall Paule	Marry Luzzi	Mary Luzzi
	Flower Guild	LENT	LENT	LENT	LENT	LENT
8 AM Service	Altar Guild	Clare Hawes	Leah Abraham	Betty Allegretti	Donna Dudley	Clare Hawes
	Eucharistic Minister	Carolyn Line	Leah Abraham	Betty Allegretti	Betty Allegretti	Leah Abraham
	Lector 1	Sally Weymouth	Clare Hawes	Betty Allegretti	Betty Allegretti	Sally Weymouth
	Lector 2	Carolyn Line	Clare Hawes	Betty Allegretti	Clare Hawes	Clare Hawes
	Usher	Chris Lombard	Holly Russell	Chris Lombard	Holly Russell	Kent Weymouth
10:30 AM Service	Altar Guild	Donna Dudley	Pam Centea	Mary Luzzi	Janice Hage	Donna Dudley
	Eucharistic Minister	David Dudley	Janet Jendron	Mary Luzzi	Pam Centea	Dan Bartell
	Lector 1	Jennifer Dickson	Janice Hage	Steve Lovejoy	Sam Kraftt	Steve Lovejoy
	Lector 2	Diane Lawton	Dee Hodnett	Amanda Riker	Janice Hage	Laura Verastegui
	Usher	Dennis Edwards	Barbara McQueen	Barbara Bartell	Barbara McQueen	Barbara Bartell
	Acolyte 1	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Ben Madej	Ben Madej
	Acolyte 2	Brandon Polan	Brandon Polan	Brandon Polan	Brandon Polan	Brandon Polan
	Acolyte 3	Vanessa Polan	Vanessa Polan	Vanessa Polan	Vanessa Polan	Vanessa Polan
Acolyte 4	Cassie Polan	Cassie Polan	Cassie Polan	Cassie Polan	Cassie Polan	