



Sunday, March 16, 2025
The Second Sunday in 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

Office Hours: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday
9AM- 1PM

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday at 8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
Sunday at 9:15 AM	Bible Study with Father Ed
Sunday at 10:30 AM	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Tuesday at 11:00 AM	Book Study with Jane
Wednesday	Bethel Men's Shelter Dinner - drop off food by 4 PM in the kitchen

[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.*

**In the event of a pastoral emergency,
contact
The Reverend Edmund Pickup, Jr. @ 757-650-0982**

Those in need of prayer:

Shelly Artello, Sally Beyer, Henry Carter, Dan Centea, Karen Centofanti, Marianne Clark, Russell Hawes, May Hennessy, Robert Krychiw, Libby Justice, Cindy Lister, Shannon Ranucci, Marie Treadwell, Weston Yatko, Lizann Rex, Michele Erickson, Rachel Joiner, Ron Covington, Rita, Jan Arnold, Noah Fike, Linda Anderson, Keira Esposito, Mary Ann Saint, Charlie, Craig, Scott Hunt, Douglas Devanney, Philip Arthur, Bill Borellis, Nick Hodnett, Kevin Meyer, Marissa Viggiano and Clare Hawes.

Please pray for those who have died.

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 new Interim Rector and Interim Organist.

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

Upcoming Events

This Wednesday, March 19th is the Bethel Men's Shelter Dinner. Please review the sign-up genius for available opportunities to help. There are openings for a few food items and servers.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D49ABAB23A2FB6-55083721-bethel>



If you signed up to provide food, please drop your items off in the kitchen by 4:00 PM on Wednesday the 19th.

Easter Week

Palm Sunday, April 13th - The Sunday of the Passion, services at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Maundy Thursday, April 17th -service at 700 PM

Good Friday, April 18th - Solemn Prayer at Noon
Stations of the Cross at 5:00 PM

Easter Sunday, April 20th - The Sunday of the Resurrection Services at 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM



Easter Egg Hunt for the children will be held following the 10:30 AM service on Easter Sunday.

Bible Study

The Weekly Bible Study with The Reverend Ed: This Sunday, March 16th, we will discuss Luke 13:1-9, the Parable of the Barren Fig Tree. Next Sunday, March 23rd, we will discuss Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32, the Prodigal Son.

Book Study will meet on March 18th at 11AM in Kid's Corner. We will continue the book "Wondrous Encounters" by Richard Rohr, "Franciscan priest, Richard Rohr, one of today's most prophetic voices; invites us to self-disclosure and to enter the wondrous divine dialogue with clarity, insight, and holy desire! These daily meditations for Lent are his gift to us for our transformation into our original 'image and likeness,' which is the very image of God." We will discuss the pages 23 -42.

Christian Education

Christian Education at St. Paul's: We believe in making "God is Everywhere" real for our young people and helping them see the many ways Christians share the Fruit of the Spirit through Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control. These concepts are presented through interaction with nature, science experiments, stories from picture books, and the inclusion of the scriptures for each Sunday.

On Sunday mornings, Jane (Ms. Jane) Kilpatrick and Aiyana (Miss Flowers) Flowers greet families. Ms. Jane, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries, has been with St. Paul's since 2015. She has a Masters in Christian Education and has served in Episcopal churches for over 20 years. Miss Flowers, Nursery Coordinator, has been with St. Paul's since 2016. She has a Masters in Literacy from Winthrop University and is a third-grade teacher. Each week, nurturing and vibrant volunteers join us in cultivating relationships with the children.

Nursery (Birth – Age 4) and Kids' Corner (K-4th) Meet at 10:15

God is Always with You and God Always Loves You... No Matter What!
Be in Touch! Jane Kilpatrick, Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries
stpaulseducator@gmail.com 704-968-2902



Pancake dinner - thank you to all who joined us. The dinner raised \$180 for our youth! Special Thank you to our wonderful cooks - Ben, William, Jay and Fr. Ed. Also, Thank you to Ann Rankin and Doug DeVanney for the beautiful decorations!

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



Serving our Parish



**Get Involved
in Worship**

Ushers are needed for both services! Please contact Dee Hodnett at deeshodnett@hotmail.com for more information.

Readers/Lectors are also needed for both services. Please contact Ellen Frank at ellenatthebeach@gmail.com for further information. Youth are welcome!

Let's restock our breakfast supplies

So many parishioners are enjoying the monthly breakfasts and fellowship. We need to restock the supplies in the pantry that we use during the breakfasts and when folks grab a coffee. Donations of the following, any size and any brand, will be greatly appreciated.

1. Heavy duty coated paper plates - 8 1/2" or 10"
2. 12 oz cups for coffee
3. heavy duty clear plasticware, especially forks and spoons
4. Napkins
5. 8 or 12 oz heavy duty coated bowls

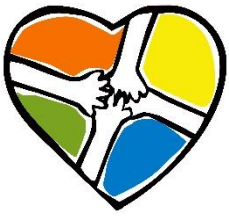
The occasional case of 8 oz water bottles would also be wonderful (very important to only purchase 8 oz water bottles, because this works best for the children).

Thank you in advance for your generosity :-)

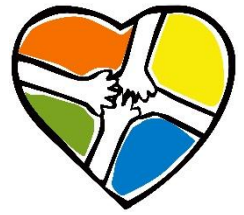


Easter Egg Fillers Are Needed by 10:00 AM Saturday, April 19th.

Items requested by the youth to fill and stuff plastic eggs are: candy (no bubble gum - ants love it) and egg size favors such as small erasers, balls, stickers, tattoos, etc. Thank you for helping make the egg hunt a success. Items for the Easter eggs may be placed in the wagon which will be in the Narthex on Sunday morning and in the hallway near the parish office during the week.



Serving Our Neighbors 2025



Fort Mill Care Center - Easter is about a month away, but now is the time to start gathering all of the food needed to provide Easter dinners for their clients. Needs for March include, Hams, mashed or scalloped potatoes, canned yams, gravy, cooking oil, fried onions, pie crust mix and maxi pads, but all food, personal hygiene and cleaning items are welcome. Please note they do not need canned vegetables at this time. They also have posted an Amazon wish list on their website fortmillcarecenter.org
Please drop off non-perishable items in the grocery cart outside the main entrance.

Classroom Ready: We are continuing to collect rolls of scotch tape for Classroom Ready. The total number of rolls collected in January and February is 30! There is a plastic tote outside the offices to drop off donations. Blessings, Outreach & Missions Committee!

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, 1001 Steele Street , Fort Mill, SC, 29715.

www.educationequalshope.org

[https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate\](https://www.defendthefatherless.org/donate)

Hurricane Helene Relief Updates:

NC Mountains Emergency Response: (Facebook group worth following- they're giving UPDATED INFORMATION on a regular basis). This site is updated multiple times a day. Check here to see if a fundraiser or a drive is being sponsored by a local organization. **Unfortunately, as with many charities there have been scams, please verify that you are giving to a reputable group.**



Wondercraft Cards is still accepting Pre-orders for the beautifully designed Blue Ridge Deck with 100 % of the profits benefiting aid to victims of Hurricane Helene in Western North Carolina. \$9000 has been sent thus far.

The artwork in the cards has hidden icons such as wooly worms, dogwoods and white squirrels. Please feel free to contact Chris or Janice Hage if you have any questions.

<https://www.wondercraftcards.com/pages/blue-ridge>

***It has come to our attention once more, that **someone is sending text messages claiming to be Father Ed.** They sent out texts that ask if folks have a minute to talk, and then when folks reply, they say I'm in meetings, please send gift cards. He did not send those messages out. **He further stated, "the real Ed Pickup will never ask you for a gift card, so help me God. If anyone ever asks you for a gift card, it is an impostor and a liar, not me."** Please do not respond to these texts.



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.

Happy Birthday!

1 st	Joan Kirkpatrick	16 th	Michaela Louise Riker
3 rd	Julia Bemis	17 th	Hayes Thomas
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	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	David Dudley
16 th	Heather Hovde	31 st	Kenny Verastegui



Happy Anniversary!

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

2025 Vestry members

Senior Warden: Ellen Frank- ellenatthebeach@gmail.com

Jr. Warden: Sue Craven bettysuecraven@gmail.com

Laura Daly: lrurich@yahoo.com

Wendy Penk - wendy.agcm@gmail.com

Chris Masoomian - cmasoomian@gmail.com

David Dudley - daviddudley2@gmail.com

Stephen Lovejoy - slovejoyv@gmail.com

Carolyn Line - Line.carolyn@gmail.com

Clerk: Dee Hodnett deehodnett@hotmail.com


Treasurer: Dennis Edwards- jded@comporium.net

Finance Committee: Kent Weymouth

Contributions Secretary: John Connor- stpaulsfinance710@gmail.com

March

Sunday	Mon	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
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2 First Sunday Parish Breakfast	3	4 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner 5-7PM	5 Ash Wednesday Services at Noon and 7 PM Rev Ed is in the office	6 Rev Ed is not in the office	7 Rev Ed is in the office	8
9	10	11 Book Study 11AM	12 Rev Ed is in the office	13 Rev Ed is not in the office	14 Rev Ed is in the office	15
16 Vestry meeting Noon	17	18 Book Study 11AM	19 Bethel Men's Shelter Dinner	20 Rev Ed is in the office	21 Rev Ed is in the office	22
23 <hr/> 30	24 <hr/> 31	25 Book Study 11AM	26	27 Rev Ed is in the office	28 Rev Ed is in the office	29

	March 2nd The Last Sunday after the Epiphany	March 9th The First Sunday in Lent	March 16th The Second Sunday in Lent	March 23rd The Third Sunday in Lent	March 30th The Fourth Sunday in Lent
Vestry of Day	8 AM Wendy Penk 10:30 AM Sue Craven	Laura Daly	8 AM Ellen Frank 10:30 AM David Dudley	8 AM Wendy Penk 10:30 AM Sue Craven	Carolyn Line
8AM Altar Guild	Carolyn Line	Leah Abraham	Leah Abraham	Donna Dudley	Betty Allegretti
8AM Lay Minister	Carolyn Line	Dee Hodnett	Leah Abraham	Dee Hodmett	Betty Allegretti
8AM Lector 1	Carolyn Line	Leah Abraham	Sally Weymouth	Sally Weymouth	Carolyn Line
8AM Lector 2	Carolyn Line	Leah Abraham	Kent Weymouth	Kent Weymouth	Betty Allegretti
8 AM Usher	Kent Weymouth	Ellen Frank	Holly Russell	Kent Weymouth	Carolyn Line
10:30 AM Altar Guild	Donna Dudley	Donna Dudley	Mary Luzzi Donna Dudley	Pam Centea	Janice Hage
10:30 AM Lay Minister	David Dudley	Dan Bartell	Mary Luzzi	Dan Bartell	Dee Hodnett
10:30AM Lector 1	Jennifer Dickson	Janice Hage	Mary Luzzi	Laura Verastegui	Dee Hodnett
10:30 AM Lector 2	Dee Hodnett	Dan Bartell	Ginny Arthur	Dan Bartell	Laura Verastegui
10:30 AM Usher	Dennis Edwards	Barbara Bartell	Dee Hodnett	Barbara Bartell	Dee Hodnett
Counters	Dee Hodnett	Donna Dudley	Diane Lawton	Barbara Bartell	Dee Hodnett
	Dennis Edwards	Libby Chambers	Niall Paule	Mary Luzzi	Mary Luzzi
Flower Guild	Barbara Bartell				