

Easter Sunday  
April 1, 2018

No matter who you are,  
No matter where you are  
On life's journey,  
You are welcome here.

***Please silence cell phones.***

*Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.*

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATION

“In the corpse’s core, the stone fist of his heart began to bang on the stiff chest’s door, and breath spilled back into that battered shape. Now it’s your limbs he comes to fill, as warm water shatters at birth, rivering every way.” Mary Karr

PRELUDE

*Final* Igor Stravinsky  
from Firebird Suite arr. Mark Swanson  
Flute, Organ, Brass, Piano and Percussion and Kurt Hansen

CHORAL INTROIT

*Call To Worship* John Rutter  
Chancel Choir  
Breanna Coe, conductor

I will worship the Lord all the days of my life;  
I will tell of his glory and will show forth his praise;  
I will sing and rejoice, for the Lord is my stronghold. Alleluia.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Carlson

\*WELCOMING EACH OTHER

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Christ is Risen!

**All: He is risen indeed!**

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*\*Please stand if you are able to do so.*

\*HYMN

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Red Hymnal No. 130, v. 1-3

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
We with all the angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise our joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again, our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once He died, our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**New life springs up all around us Lord;  
while we are earthbound still.  
Distracted, numb, dulled,  
held down by worry and kept back by fear,  
we are ashamed of what we fail to do  
and appalled at what we've done.  
Forgive us, Lord!  
Renew us in the resurrection light!  
Transform our wisdom with your foolish love.  
Make us alive to Christ, to life and to those we love.  
Amen.**

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One: Christ is Risen!

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\*RESPONSE

Red Hymnal No. 29, vs. 1-2

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dew-fall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

ANTHEM

*I Was Glad*

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry  
adapted by Mark Swanson  
and Kurt R. Hansen

Chancel Choir, Organ, Brass and Percussion

I was glad when they said unto me,  
We will go, we will go into the house of the Lord.  
Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem  
Jerusalem is builded as a city, that is at unity in itself.

Risen! He's risen!

Risen to lead us to our salvation!

Christ is risen!

Alleluia! Amen!

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem, they shall prosper that love thee,  
Peace be within thy walls and plenteousness within thy palaces.

from *Psalms 122* and Easter acclamation

## THE BIBLICAL WORD FOR THE DAY

*1 Corinthians 1:18-25 MSG, NRSV*

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are hellbent on destruction, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written:

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise;  
and I will thwart the cleverness of the clever.”

Where can you find someone truly wise, truly educated, truly intelligent in this day and age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of what we preach, to save those who believe. Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called - Jews and Greeks - Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

*John 20:1 and 11-16, J.B. Phillips translation*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. Mary stood just outside the tomb, and she was crying. And as she cried, she looked into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. The angels spoke to her, “Why are you crying?” She said to them, “Because they have taken away my Lord, and I don’t know where they have put him.” When she had said this, she turned and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Why are you crying? Who are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Teacher!”

\*A STATEMENT OF FAITH

**We believe in God who has created and is creating,  
who has come to us in Jesus Christ to reconcile and make us new,  
who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.  
We trust God. God calls us to be the Church,  
to celebrate God’s presence,**

**to love and serve others,  
to care for creation,  
to seek justice and to resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.  
In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us.  
We are not alone. Thanks be to God!**

*(adapted from the United Church of Canada)*

\*RESPONSE

Red Hymnal No. 29, v. 3

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning  
Born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, Praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!

SERMON

“What a Fool Believes”

Matt Fitzgerald

\*RESPONSE

Red Hymnal No. 130, v. 4

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!  
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!  
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!  
Hail, the Resurrection thou! Alleluia!

OFFERTORY

*What A Fool Believes* Kenny Loggins & Michael McDonald

Soloist: Kris Hansen

St. Arbucks Trio, Chancel Choir, and Organ

Christ went from death to new life for all of us  
On the first day God springs up, surprising everyone  
Mary Magdalene says “Teacher,” and she knows that he is risen  
making all the wisdom we believe foolishness  
Our cleverness tripped up by Christ's stumbling block  
you can't help but smile at Easter's wild joyful tale  
Empty tomb is just what God wanted to say,  
only to realize  
belief is hard for us  
He has a place in your life

Christ always makes you think twice  
As he rises without apology  
All the foolish ones should surely know  
He's loving us so  
That's what a fool believes, she sees  
No wise man has the power to reason away  
What faith can see  
is always better than nothing  
and nothing is gonna keep you in the grave,  
dead while alive, stupid while wise  
Or you can believe there is a place in your life  
Easter Sunday, foolishness wins  
He has a place in your life  
Christ always makes you think twice  
As he rises without apology  
All the foolish ones should surely know  
He's loving us so  
That's what a fool believes, she sees  
No wise man has the power to reason away  
What faith can see  
Is always better than nothing  
death's nothing at all

#### \*FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

### SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*Christ is the host at this table. All are welcome to take communion.  
The outer ring of cups is grape juice; the inner rings are wine.  
A gluten-free option is wrapped and available on each tray.  
Please hold each element until all are served so that we may eat and drink together.*

### COMMUNION MEDITATION MUSIC

Bread	9 a.m. <i>Adagio</i> in D major	J. S. Bach
	11 a.m. <i>Sarabande</i> in Bb Major	J. S. Bach
	Jeff Wagner, piano	
Wine	<i>Come Sunday</i>	Duke Ellington
	St. Arbucks Trio	
	Kris Hansen, soloist	

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**All things have been made new! All the seas and dry lands.  
All the forests and the fields. All the cities and towns.  
Everything that swims or flies, even you, and even me!  
All have been made new today! Oh God we thank you!  
For love is more powerful than fear. Life is triumphant over the grave.  
You have just defeated death. Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!**

\*HYMN

*The Day of Resurrection*

Tune: Lancashire

The day of resurrection, Earth, tell it out abroad,  
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God!  
From death to life eternal, from this world to the sky,  
Our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil that we may see aright  
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light  
And, listening to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
His own "All Hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth our song begin,  
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein.  
Invisible and visible, their notes let all things blend:  
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah*

G. F. Handel

Chancel Choir, Organ, Trumpets and Timpani

Hallelujah, for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom  
Of our Lord and of his Christ;  
And he shall reign forever and ever.  
KING OF KINGS,  
AND LORD OF LORDS.  
And he shall reign forever and ever.  
Hallelujah!  
from *Revelation*

POSTLUDE

*Wiener Philharmoniker Fanfare*

Richard Strauss

Brass, Percussion, and Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

***Following Worship, all are invited for coffee and snacks  
downstairs in the Gym.***

## **The Flower Cross**

*After worship, all are encouraged to go the church courtyard on Orchard, take a flower and place it in the cross as part of our celebration of new life.*

### TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS:

**Readers: 9 a.m.:** Charles Wilk **11 a.m.:** Henry Godinez

**Communion Coordinators:** Jana O'Brien, Kevin O'Brien

*Communion Servers: 9 a.m.:* Lois Basil, Carrie Bruggers, Sue Finkle, Karen Johnson, Barb Kaiser, Greg Mooney, Rick Peterson, Gary Timmerman

**11 a.m.:** Lois Basil, Carrie Bruggers, Char Damron, Larry Damron, Mead Gifford, Cheryl Kennedy, Lydia Murray, Tom Murray, Colin O'Brien, Wayne Parman, Rick Peterson, Bev Petrunich, Glen Timmerman, Michael Toomin, Jill Wachholz, Peg Wander

*Communion bread baked by Marcia Knudson.*

**Greeters:** Greg Mooney, Sheryl Mooney

**Head Usher:** Beatrice Jaji

*Ushers: 9 a.m.:* Fred Pearson, Mary Brown, Ninon Freeman, Doug Clark

**11 a.m.:** Ninon Freeman, Layne Lebahn, Lauren Vega, David Baker, Bruce Voice, Brian Hafner, Cheryl Kennedy, Amy Jaji, Becca Brown

**Acolyte Coordinators:** Cindy Zinn Ball, Becca Brown

*Acolytes: 9 a.m.:* Becca Fayhee, Samantha Fayhee, Olivia Kearns, Brianna Love

**11 a.m.:** Hannah Fitzgerald, Isaiah Fitzgerald, Andrew Keller, Jaime Keller

**Special Assistance:** Dodd Brown

**Pew Literature Racks Organizer:** Mary Brown

**Easter Altar Decorators:** Barb Arsenault, Barb Kaiser, Ray Manasia, Jill Minetz, Marcia Opp, Bev Petrunich, Liz Raiman, Cres Roewer, Doug Roewer, Dan Vaughn

*Easter boutonnieres for worship leaders are provided by Gary Timmerman.*

**Easter Instrumentalists:**

Thomas Madeja and Fred Powell, trumpets

Matthew Oliphant, French horn

Mary Tyler, trombone

Andrew Smith, tuba

Ralph Wiser, timpani

Kris Hansen, Sarah Mosley, and Mark Swanson, percussion

Jeffrey Wagner, piano

Monty Adams, flute

**St. Arbucks Trio:**

Tom Vaitsas, piano

Joel Kelsey, bass

Matt Plaskota, drums

Kris Hansen, trumpet and vocals

BORN THIS WEEK IN APRIL

**Donations to the Birthday Fund support A Just Harvest**

*We celebrate and give thanks for your life at St. Pauls. A perfect way to celebrate and help St. Pauls: give one dollar for each year of your life to our Birthday Fund.*

April 1 Cam Roehm

April 2 Alexander Cittadine, Anna Kornick, Aubrey Palkon, Eddie Hayes, Reese Carter

April 3 Benjamin Dreves-Hunt, Ed Schauble, Laura Schalekamp, Mackenzie Rogers, Martha Gardner, Terra Johnson

April 4 Peter Doerr

April 5 Alexis Palkon, Livia Sanders

April 6 Jennifer Kew, Will Jackson

April 7 Andrea Cory, Lois Basil

## TODAY

**APRIL 1 - EASTER BAKE SALE**, 10-11 a.m. and noon-12:30 p.m. Join us in the Gym and get some Easter goodies to support the youth mission trip to Puerto Rico.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** - Our next round of New Member classes will be held April 15 and April 22. We would LOVE for you to attend. All who are curious about Saint Pauls are welcome. Contact [mfitzgerald@spucc.org](mailto:mfitzgerald@spucc.org) to register.

**SHORT CIRCLES** - Do you want to experience growth in your spiritual life? Short Circles, our spring small prayer groups, are forming now. We meet weekly, for six weeks beginning in mid-April. Contact [asardar@spucc.org](mailto:asardar@spucc.org) to register.

**DEVOTIONAL CLASSICS** - Pastor Matt will lead a four-session, early morning discussion of four short (2-3 pages) devotions by Julian of Norwich, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Kathleen Norris and GK Chesterton. 7:30 a.m. April 10, 17, 24, May 1. Contact Matt Fitzgerald at [mfitzgerald@spucc.org](mailto:mfitzgerald@spucc.org) to register.

**ST. PAULS GARDEN GIFTS FOR YOU** - The plantings around our current sign need to find a new home! All plants will be saved and ready for adoption after church on Sunday April 22 at the St. Pauls Garden Shop. If you have any garden plants, ornaments, pots or tools that you would like to add to our sale, please bring them to the Garden Shop on April 22nd located in the St. Pauls courtyard. Money raised from the sale will be used to landscape around our new sign. If you have questions, contact Julie Culver at [jbcshanghai@yahoo.com](mailto:jbcshanghai@yahoo.com)

**YOUNG ADULTS 16" SOFTBALL LEAGUE** - Join the Dirt Disciples for their fifth season of 16" softball at Oz Park (games Sundays between 1 and 3 p.m.). Cost is \$60 per person, which includes eight games, a T-shirt, and post-game frivolity at McGee's Tavern. First game is April 22 and there is ONE spots left! Email Todd at [toddsingstenor@gmail.com](mailto:toddsingstenor@gmail.com) for more information and to sign up.

**SUNDAYS - THE WORD OF THE DAY**, 9 a.m. Conference Room. Each Sunday, we explore the Bible passages that our pastors will preach on, because reflecting on scripture with a group enriches our worship and understanding. No Bible experience necessary. Your questions are welcome. Childcare is provided. Contact: [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org)

**APRIL 5** - YOUTH MISSION TRIP fellowship event for leaders and mission trippers. Dinner at La Bomba at 6 p.m.

**APRIL 9** - CHRISTIANITY 101, 7:30 p.m. - Parlor. Join Pastor Jeff and young adults for a lively discussion of the real-life questions we face in our daily lives. There is no need to prepare in advance. Please contact Hannah Basil at [youngadults@spucc.org](mailto:youngadults@spucc.org) with questions and to RSVP.

**APRIL 15** - MONTHLY BRUNCH, 11:30 a.m. Join the Young Adults Group for brunch after worship. We will meet at social hour and walk somewhere close. Help us pick a great spot! Please contact Hannah Basil at [youngadults@spucc.org](mailto:youngadults@spucc.org) with suggestions and to RSVP.

**APRIL 15** - WHERE DO YOU PUT THE PULPIT? 11:30 a.m. That question was hotly debated between Martin Luther and John Calvin at the time of the Protestant Reformation in the 16th Century. Concentrating on the design of St. Pauls sanctuary, Pastor Emeritus Tom Henry will take a look at how their differing beliefs about worship have influenced church architecture right down to the present.

**APRIL 22** - LUNCH AND SILENT AUCTION, 11:15 a.m. Gym. Join us for our fundraiser towards hurricane relief work in Puerto Rico this June! Cost is \$20 per adult, \$6 per child and kids 5 and under eat free. Family ticket for \$40.

**APRIL 24** - Join us for a tour of UCAN's new campus and an opportunity to learn about their programs and Violence Intervention and Prevention Services. The open house will be held Tuesday, April 24, 3pm - 5pm at 3605 W. Fillmore, Chicago. Please contact Rebecca Brown for questions at [rebecca.brown@ucanchicago.org](mailto:rebecca.brown@ucanchicago.org) and Jan Bail for carpooling options at [janbail@me.com](mailto:janbail@me.com)

**APRIL 28** - REBUILDING TOGETHER DAY - from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Join our team of volunteers working to repair two homes in the Lawndale neighborhood. Open to anyone 10 years old and up. Email [sgarcia@spucc.org](mailto:sgarcia@spucc.org) if you are interested.

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

**ST. PAULS SOCIAL** - Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If interested in hosting, please contact Jen Luerssen, [jenluerssen@yahoo.com](mailto:jenluerssen@yahoo.com) and stay tuned for future events.

**ALL CHURCH RETREAT** - Save the date for the annual All Church Retreat. We'll be going July 27 - 29 to Lakeside Inn in Lakeside, MI.

**FAITH IN ACTION** - Saint Pauls' Strategic Plan calls us to be "Increasingly bold and active as we try to live out our faith in an age of rising injustice." If you would like to receive advance notice of protests and actions that call for our faithful witness, join the Faith in Action email list by contacting Anna Sardar at [asardar@spucc.org](mailto:asardar@spucc.org)

**ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP** - Providing flowers for the altar is a great way to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or honor someone special in your life. You can sign up in the Social Hall or online at <http://tinyurl.com/h55pl82>. There are many Sundays available, but be sure to sign up early so you can bring flowers on your preferred date. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

**AMAZON SMILE** - If you would like to support St. Pauls when buying Amazon products. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from eligible purchases to St. Pauls. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/2179808>

**BIBLE STUDY** - Meets one Saturday a month. This in-depth study explores a book of the Bible from start to finish, looking at its original context, as well as its meaning for us today. Next Study: April 28, 10-11:45. Contact Pastor Jeff at [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org)

**COLLEEN HENRY WRITING CENTER- Tutors Needed**

This program at Lincoln Park High School was initiated by St. Pauls and developed in connection with the English and Social Studies Departments. Tutors volunteer once a week, Monday through Thursday. Training and mentoring are available. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Nancy Brandt, [nhbrandt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nhbrandt@sbcglobal.net)

**CONNECTORS** reach out providing networking and support for members and friends of St. Pauls Membership is open to all who have the time and the inclination to help. Contact Marcia Volk at [marcia@volkonline.com](mailto:marcia@volkonline.com)

**CONSIDER THE LILIES** - Deliver our Sunday altar flowers to members and friends who need to know St. Pauls is thinking of them. If you would like to be part of this initiative, please contact Maureen Grunst at [mvgrunst@aol.com](mailto:mvgrunst@aol.com). Join us!

**FAITH IN ACTION/FAITH AND PUBLIC ISSUES** - Whether you're interested in supporting women or LGBTQ persons or immigrants and refugees, or interested in planning programs on critical issues, you can find St. Pauls people involved and join them now. Contact Toby Rogers at [toby@rogers-home.com](mailto:toby@rogers-home.com) for more information.

**FEED THE HUNGRY** - Each week St. Pauls welcomes homeless and hungry people to Sunday dinner. Several open dates in May, June, and July! To volunteer to prepare and serve dinner to guests of the Lincoln Park Community Shelter, contact Brent Carstensen at [bcarstensen@ameritech.net](mailto:bcarstensen@ameritech.net)

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT** - Visit our Food for Thought blog  
<http://www.spucc.org/blogs/food-for-thought>

**GET YOUR NEW NAME TAG!** - Email Virgie at [vberry@spucc.org](mailto:vberry@spucc.org)

**LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SHELTER NEEDS OVERNIGHT VOLUNTEERS**

- To sign up: [volunteer@lpcsonline.org](mailto:volunteer@lpcsonline.org) or call 773-549-6111.

**LITTLE LIGHTS** is a St. Pauls early childhood program with classes for 2, 3, and 4 year olds. We are now accepting applications for 2018-2019. Check out [www.littlelightslp.org](http://www.littlelightslp.org). If you are interested email Virgie Berry at [vberry@spucc.org](mailto:vberry@spucc.org) to schedule a tour!

**LONG, CLASSIC NOVEL READING GROUP** Read and discuss George Eliot's "Middlemarch" this spring. Discussions March 20 (parts 1-4) and June 19. "Les Miserables" is coming in Fall 2018. RSVP [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org)

**NEW OR EXPECTING PARENTS** - If you have a new baby or are expecting a baby, please let Corie know so that we can find ways to support you (meals, prayer, etc.) and so that we can inform you of opportunities in our Parents of Little Ones (POLO) group. Also let us her know if you have small children and are new to the church. Contact Corie Gallemore at [corie.gallemore@gmail.com](mailto:corie.gallemore@gmail.com)

**SARAH'S SISTERS** gather every Wednesday morning to make 40 bag lunches to be distributed to homeless people. Come to the church kitchen at 9:30 a.m.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. PAULS** - If you're in need of support through a tough time and would like to be matched with someone who would support you with companionship and prayer, or you're feeling called to offer support, speak to Pastor Jeff Carlson [jcarlson@spucc.org](mailto:jcarlson@spucc.org), Marti Pechnyo [mpechnyo@gmail.com](mailto:mpechnyo@gmail.com), or Diana Laskaris [dianaminlead@gmail.com](mailto:dianaminlead@gmail.com)

**SAINT PAULS BASKETBALL WEDNESDAYS** - 7 p.m. Our weekly pickup game is co-ed. Ages range from young and fast to old and not as fast. Skill levels range from enthusiastic to "I think she played in college, you guard her." All are welcome! Contact [pastormatt@spucc.org](mailto:pastormatt@spucc.org)

**ST. PAULS PLAYGROUP** for children from birth to 3 years old in the church Nursery. Drop in anytime from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Wednesdays.  
Corie Gallemore at corie.gallemore@gmail.com

**UCC DAILY DEVOTIONAL** - To register: [http://www.ucc.org/daily\\_devotional](http://www.ucc.org/daily_devotional)

**WANT MORE VARIETY AT COFFEE HOUR?** - Sign up to bring it at  
<http://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=w.ProcessDateWindow>

**YOUNG ADULTS** - A group for fun and fellowship for folks in their twenties and thirties. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! Any ideas for future events?  
Email [youngadults@spucc.org](mailto:youngadults@spucc.org)

**YOUTH GROUP** for kids in 4th-8th grade meets each Tuesday from 4-6 p.m. with pizza dinner, fun and Christian fellowship. Meet in the gym.  
Contact [sgarcia@spucc.org](mailto:sgarcia@spucc.org)

### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week's Friday email to [announcements@spucc.org](mailto:announcements@spucc.org) no later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday . Please limit announcements to 70 words. Thank you.

## SAINT PAULS PRAYS

*Please clip this page, take it home and pray for those who are named below. We only print requests we receive. To make a request, simply ask a pastor in person, on the phone or by email. Our new practice is to run each prayer request for four weeks and then remove it. If you would like to continue a prayer request after four weeks, let a pastor know.*

- Grieving family of Hilda Hoffman, who passed away.
- Scott Jones' mother, Anne, who is exploring option to treat a thyroid tumor.
- Betty Voice, recovering from knee surgery.
- Marti Pechnyo's friend, Jane, being treated for ovarian cancer.
- Mary Stainton, in the midst of rehab and cancer treatment.
- Dorothy Franklin, in hospice care.
- Jeff Elko
- Justin Bonn, recovering from recent brain surgery.
- Louis Arata and family, whose father, Stephen Arata, died.
- The Howells' daughter-in-law, Meredith, awaiting a stem-cell transplant.
- For all grieving and traumatized by the shooting in Parkland, and for real change to dramatically reduce gun violence.
- Steve Stack, recovering from another stroke.
- Dede Koldyke, in treatment for cancer.
- Jack Hogan, in treatment for cancer.
- Rob Castle's mother, Kathie, entering hospice care for Alzheimer's disease.
- Rodney Higginbotham's father following a seizure and possible stroke.
- For Aylmer Gifford's friend, Mario, facing difficult health challenges.
- Bobbi Gannello, diagnosed with lymphoma.
- Amy Newman's sister, Linda, being treated for cancer.
- Gloria Joseph's husband, Nial, who is in the hospital in poor health.
- Carole Knuti, undergoing treatment for cancer.
- Carole Crowley, recovering from a stroke.
- All those struggling to conceive.
- All those struggling with eating disorders.
- Grieving family of Jim, who died at age 43.

NEARLY 1 IN 5 ADULTS STRUGGLE WITH A MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE. Contact one of the pastors today for information about mental health care advocacy and resources that can help you and your loved ones. Contact information for the pastors is at the back of this Bulletin.

### **EASTER FLOWERS IN CELEBRATION OF...**

KRISTOFER HANSEN on his graduation from Mom and Dad  
MARK SWANSON from Kurt Hansen  
KEVIN DZIERZAWSKI from Kurt Hansen  
THE PEOPLE OF SAINT PAULS from Matt and Kelli Fitzgerald  
NELL KLEIN from Tom Klein in honor of his mother's 88th birthday on Easter  
JOYCE OSBORN from Chris and Lisa Montague  
ELLIS & ADAM DINGFIELD from Chris and Lisa Montague  
NATHAN MONTAGUE from Chris and Lisa Montague  
LAINI ZINN from Bob and Cindy Zinn Ball  
DEDE KOLDYKE from The Koldyke Family  
MARGOT GRACE, NATHANIEL, SOPHIE, ANNIKA, OSCAR, ELLERY, & ANDERS  
from Marcia Opp and Jon Ekdahl

### **EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF...**

DOROTHY & FRANK MYNARD and LOUISE & BEN YUNKER from Suzanne and Frank Mynard  
JOSEPH & BERNIECE BUTTINGER and WARREN & MABEL ARSENAULT from The Arsenault Family  
DEL ARSENAULT from The Arsenault Family  
VIRGINIA & W. A. AMERSON from Lydia and Tom Murray  
ASHLYN & THEDFORD MALLARD from Lydia and Tom Murray  
JUDGE WILLIAM COUSINS from Michael Toomin  
MARCIA TOOMIN HILL from Michael Toomin  
PAULINE & PHILIP TOOMIN from Michael Toomin  
NICHOLAS & BERTHA BRANCACCIO from The Hansen Family  
LISA CORNWELL from The Hansen Family and the Chancel Choir  
GRIGG FOUNTAIN from The Hansen Family  
PATRICK FULLER from Kurt Hansen and the Chancel Choir  
WENDI MANCINI from Kurt Hansen and the Chancel Choir  
KERMIT & MARY HANSEN from The Hansen Family  
MIKE KOSSACK from The Hansen Family  
WILLIAM "BILL" PARKS from Kurt Hansen  
LOLA & ALEX RAND from The Hansen Family  
WILFRED & VIOLET GOTTSCHALK from Jan and Rick Bail  
PHILIP & KATHERINE BAIL from Jan and Rick Bail  
DOTTIE FLETCHER from The Fletcher and Thomas Families  
DOROTHY & LEONARD MCFALL from Larry and Char Damron  
MILDRED & HENRY DAMRON from Larry and Char Damron  
JEANNIE ALVAREZ, MOM & GRANNY from Sarah, Katie, Jack and Maggie Brick  
BILL ALTHEN from his family  
JIM & CECELIA MEDWORTH from David, Mary, Trip and Natalie Campbell  
DAVE & MARTHA CAMPBELL from David, Mary, Trip and Natalie Campbell

RIP LUERSSEN from Jen Luerssen  
ROBIN BELL and DON & GRACE BELL from Suzanne Bell Kush  
HAL RAIMAN from The Raiman and Dupont Families  
SAM HILL from Liz Raiman  
ED ZASADIL from Larry Simpson  
VERLIN BULTEMEIER from Nathan and Kendra Bultemeier  
JERRY GRISSELL from Nathan and Kendra Bultemeier  
REV. HERBERT T. TETZLAFF from The Tetzlaff Family  
CORAL. TETZLAFF from The Tetzlaff Family  
DONALD W. OSBORN from Chris and Lisa Montague  
EUGENE & BARBARA MONTAGUE from Chris and Lisa Montague  
NAN & IRMINGARD "BONNIE" KORBELAK from Hazel Vespa  
ARTHUR & SOPHIE STURM and GEORGE & ANNA HOPKINS from Forrest and Arthur Sturm  
JOHN R. WILSON from Steve and Linda Patton  
DON C. PATTON from Steve and Linda Patton  
RUBIA CATA, MAGGIE CATA, & CEFERINO CATA from The Cata Family  
KAREN BREEN BUTLER from Brian Butler  
CARL VESPA from Hazel Vespa  
COLLEEN HENRY from the Henry and Kompare families  
JOHN & MARLENE HARTANOV from The Hartanov Family  
SYBIL STEWART from The Hartanov Family  
JOHN ARDUSER from The Hartanov Family  
CHARLES WESCHE from The Hartanov Family  
MARVIN K. BROWN from his son William Dodd Brown  
GORDON & MARGARET BALL and J. ROBERT & RICK ZINN from Bob and Cindy Zinn Ball  
SUSAN C. BERNS from The Koldyke Family  
FLORENCE, EARL & MICHAEL HEDEL from Ronald and Catherine Clarke  
FRANCES & FRANK WANDER from Peg Wander  
MERLE & ANNE SKIDMORE from Janice and Robert Keeler  
PAUL & ELINDA SAHLIN and RAYMOND & ASTRID MAGNUSON from Karin Magnuson  
ANN ALISE MAGNUSON from Karin Magnuson  
SOPHIE & STEVE STASENKO, parents of Steve Stack  
LUCILLE & LELAND SIMS, parents of Lois Stack

## **Silent Auction Donation Form**

The youth and adults going on the Puerto Rico Mission Trip to do hurricane repair work this June are having a luncheon and silent auction to raise money for materials and supplies they will need to rebuild. Your donations to the silent auction would be greatly appreciated. We are looking for gift certificates, sports tickets, theatre tickets, artwork, baked goods, gift baskets, wine, etc.

If you have an item that you would like to donate, you can fill out the bottom of this page, rip it out and put it in the offering plate. We will contact you.

If you have any questions please email Pastor Sarah at [sgarcia@spucc.org](mailto:sgarcia@spucc.org)

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**Name:**

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**Description of donation item:**

## The Flowering of the Rod

In resurrection, there is confusion  
if we start to argue; if we stand and stare,

we do not know where to go;  
in resurrection, there is simple affirmation

but do not delay to round up the others,  
up and down the street; your going

in a moment like this, is the best proof  
that you know the way;

does the first wild-goose stop to explain  
to the others? No -- he is off;

they follow or not,  
that is their affair;

does the wild-goose care  
whether the others follow or not?

I don't think so -- he is happy to be off --  
he knows where he is going;

so we must be drawn or we must fly,  
like the snow-geese of the Arctic circle,

to the Carolinas or to Florida,  
or like those migratory flocks

who still (they say) hover  
over the lost island, Atlantis;

seeking what we once knew,  
we know ultimately we will find

happiness; *to-day shalt thou be  
with me in Paradise.*

Hilda Doolittle

ABOUT ST. PAULS  
*Making a joyful sound in the city*

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989 we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open to and Affirming of" LGBT women and men.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most importantly, over the past 174 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God. We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

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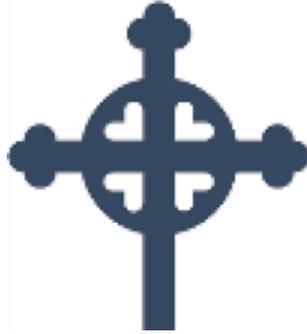
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Free Parking is available on Sundays from 9am-1pm at Children's Memorial Hospital  
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## WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,  
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and  
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,  
grandparents and families of all configurations.  
Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who  
grieve.

Welcome to each and to everyone.  
We are an Open and Affirming church.  
We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and  
we are glad you are here.