



March 29, 2020
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Virtual Worship

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

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATION

“The god who cannot suffer is a loveless god. Is he a god at all? Is he not rather, a stone?”
Jürgen Moltmann

PRELUDE

CHIMES

INTROIT *Christ, He Is My Life (Christus, Der Ist Mein Leben), BWV 281* J.S. Bach
Matt Plaskota, Marimba

WELCOME
Jeff Carlson

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God does not crush our suffering.

All: He enters it. Jesus loves us.

One: God does not erase our pain.

All: He feels it. Jesus loves us.

One: God does not ignore our quarantine.

All: He comes to us! Jesus loves us!

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

* HYMN

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me! This I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know,
as he loved so long ago,
Taking children on his knee,
saying, "Let them come to me." [*Refrain*]

Jesus loves me! Still today,
walking with me on my way,
Wanting as a friend to give
light and love to all who live. [*Refrain*]

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God,
We are climbing the walls.
Forgive our impatience
With loved ones in close quarters,
With friends we have not heard from,
with our own injuries.**

**Forgive our faithlessness
When we look for
An easier gospel,
A lighter cross,
A less demanding savior.**

**Bring us back to life,
For your name's sake.
We know you can do it.
You've done it before.
Give us new life, now!
Amen.**

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

THE BIBLICAL WORD FOR THIS DAY

Cindy Zinn Ball

John 11:1-44 translation by David Bentley Hart

Now there was a man who was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, from the village of Mary and her sister Martha. It was the Mary who had anointed the Lord with unguent, and had wiped off his feet with her hair, whose brother was ill. So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, look: He whom you cherish is ill." And on hearing this Jesus said, "This illness is not unto death, but rather is for the glory of God, so that the Son might be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and also her sister and Lazarus. Even so, having heard that he was ill he then stayed on in the place where he was for two days; After this he then says to the disciples, "Let us go into Judea again ... Lazarus has died, And for your sakes I rejoice that I was not there, so that you may have faith; but let us go to him ... Martha, hearing that Jesus is coming, met him; but Mary sat in the house. So Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, had you been here, my brother would not have died. Even now I know that whatever things you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus says to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha says to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever has faith in me, even if he should die, shall live, And whoever lives and has faith in me most certainly does not die, throughout the age; do you have faith in this?" She says to him, "I have had faith that you are the Anointed, the Son of God who is coming into the cosmos..." Mary, when she arrived where Jesus was and saw him, fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, had you been here my brother would not have died." Therefore, when Jesus saw her weeping he groaned in his spirit and

yielded himself to his turmoil, And said, “Where have you laid him?” They say to him, “Lord come and see.” Jesus wept.

So the Judeans said, “See how he cherished him.” But some of them said, “Is not this man, who opened the eyes of the blind man, able to bring it about that this man also might not die?” So Jesus, again groaning within himself, comes to the tomb; and it was a cavern, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus says, “Take away the stone.” Martha says to him, “Lord, by now it gives off a bad odor; for this is the fourth day.” Jesus says to her, “Have I not told you that if you have faith you will see God’s glory? So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “I give you thanks that you have heard me; And I knew that you always hear me; but I have spoken on account of the crowd standing all around, so that they might have faith that you have sent me.” And saying these things he cried out in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come forth!”

The one who had died came forth, feet and hands bound with strips of linen and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus says to them, “Unbind him and let him go.”

***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)

OFFERTORY *Air from Orchestral Suite No. 3 in D Major, BWV 1068* J.S Bach
Natalie Douglass, French horn

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* 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! Amen!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Sarah Garcia

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.**

* HYMN

Lord, If Only You Had Been Here



1. "Lord, if__ on - ly__ you had been here, one I__ love would not have died."
2. "Lord, if__ on - ly__ you had been here!" Je - sus heard these words a - gain.
3. "Lord, if__ on - ly__ you had been here," we cry out when all goes wrong—
4. When we share your res - ur - rec - tion, when we_ know that you are life,



Mar - tha shared her grief with Je - sus in these words she sad - ly cried.
Mar - y,__ sit - ting home and wait - ing, spoke to__ Je - sus of her pain.
When our grief is__ o - ver - whelm - ing, when life's trou - bles seem so strong
We find cour - age for our liv - ing in this_ world of__ pain and strife.



Je - sus__ said, "I'm res - ur - rec - tion. Mar - tha,__ do you know it's__ true?
So our_ Lord was deep - ly__ trou - bled in this_ world of death and sin.
Then, O__ Lord, we hear your an - swer: "I am__ res - ur - rec - tion— see!
We your church will work for_ jus - tice, wel - come stran - gers, help the_ poor.



I'm the_ life for_ which you're long - ing." She said, "I be - lieve in you!"
Some - times all we_ see is strug - gle; death and e - vil_ seem to win.
Not just in some dis - tant fu - ture— I am_ life! Now live in me!"
Faced with death, we'll be a wit - ness: you are with us,__ Ris - en Lord.

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE Amen, amen, amen

POSTLUDE

Amazing Grace
Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

arr. G. Shearing

To help contain the spread of COVID-19, worship at Saint Pauls is suspended until further notice. Worship services will be streamed Sundays at 10 a.m. on St. Pauls Facebook page.

KIDS WORSHIP will be streamed on St. Pauls Facebook page on Sundays at 11:15 a.m. This will be geared towards preschoolers and young elementary school students. Stay tuned and join in!

If you would like someone to pray with you this week, Clergy and Stephen Ministers will be available for phone calls.

Small groups and committee meetings are encouraged to reach out to church pastors and staff for alternative ways to stay connected, or for assistance holding virtual meetings during this time. Watch your email for updates.

Excerpt from *The Raising of Lazarus* by Franz Wright

He called them “my friends.” The Logos, God’s
creating word, — the same voice that said
Let there be light.

Yet

when he opened his eyes,
he found himself standing apart.

Even the two
slowly backing away, as though
from concern for their good name.

Then he began to hear voices;

whispering

quite distinctly,

or thinking:

Lord,

if you had been here

our friend might not have died.

(At that, he slowly reached out
as though to touch a face,
and soundlessly started to cry.)

From *About Lazarus* by Deborah Boe

When Lazarus rises out of his bedsheets

he always acts

like he wakes in a strange house,

make us say our names over and over
until all meaning is wrung from them,
and then stares uncomprehendingly at his cereal

in its white dish. It is as if
this house we live in holds
many other houses, visible only to him.

From *The Raising of Lazarus* by Franz Wright

pale as though bled,
stooping at the entrance
and squinting at the light,
picking at his face, loose
strips of rotting shroud.
All that he could think of
was a dark place to lie down,
and hide that wasted body.
And tears rolled up his cheek
and back into his eyes,
and then his eyes began
rolling back into his head

From *The Mercy of Lazarus* by Stephen Dobyns

It must have been a dispirited awakening -
Expecting everything settled, the long night
Without interruption suddenly interrupted,

Like a four a.m. alarm bell but worse, the rock
Rolled back, to be called forth, told to pick up
the yoke, to pay your bills, get the roof fixed,
Become a bit of proof in the Lord's affidavit.

Just when you thought your history complete,
Your problems solved - bad wages, long hours.
Now the crowd pushes forward, demanding
To hear your cries of thanks.

BORN THIS WEEK IN MARCH & 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.

- Mar 29 Keeley Chamberlain
- Mar 30 Brendan Henry, Mark Pellegrino
- Mar 31 Diana Penniman, Will Quinton
- April 1 Susan Schwendener, Collin Panko, Cam Roehm
- April 2 Sam Riportella, Peter Wiebe, Alexander Cittadine, Aubrey Palkon,
Beckham John Honegger, Edmund Hayes, Anna Kornick, Reese Carter
- April 3 Laura Schalekamp, MacKenzie Rogers, Mikhail Satchu, Terra Johnson

LENT AND EASTER AT ST PAULS

- SUN, APRIL 5 PALM SUNDAY - 10 a.m., Facebook Live
- THU, APRIL 9 MAUNDY THURSDAY - 6 p.m.
- Zoom Dinner Church: eat, pray, sing, as we gather at our dining tables, together while apart.
- Please RSVP to Pastor Sarah and you will be sent a link to join a Zoom meeting, sgarcia@spucc.org.
- FRI, APRIL 10 GOOD FRIDAY - 7:30 p.m., Facebook Live
- SUN, APRIL 12 EASTER SUNDAY - 10 a.m., Facebook Live

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GET CONNECTED – Aptly put by our Stephen Minister, Deon Fayhee, “The church as a place is closed until further public health authority notice. The church as a connected community of individuals moved by faith to thrive in an imperfect world is very much open for business.” We have a group chat on MarcoPolo at onmarcopolo.com/groups/bknWay6XQYqQ/spucc.

The St. Pauls Zoom account is available to continue or start groups virtually. Email Claire Higgins at chiggins@spucc.org to schedule your meeting.

We have a Facebook Group and lively Sunday morning comment section on the worship livestream.

Not tech-savvy? Contact Pastor Jeff to get connected with a volunteer who can help you get set up, jcarlson@spucc.org

ENCOURAGE OUR UCAN YOUTH - In its youth homes, UCAN provides shelter and support for 113 traumatized children and youth between the ages of 7 and 21. This period of isolation is particularly trying and they’ve asked if we can help by donating items to keep the kids active and counter boredom. You can drop off donations any time or ship them to the Diermeier Therapeutic Youth Home, 3640 W. Fillmore St., Chicago, IL 60624. Text if making a delivery to: 773-410-6680. Or, Pastor Jeff will be collecting donations in the church parking lot on Kemper Place on Monday, March 30 between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. Phone: 773-428-6304. Donations may include: puzzles, legos, play dough, art and craft supplies, slime makers, books, action figures, headphones, nail polish, board games, jump ropes, Hot wheels, etc...Anything to help children and teens keep active while cooped up.

Ages of youth: Boys ages 7-11 (7), 12-15 (11), 14-18(18), 18-21 (10).

Girls ages 11-15 (20), 15-18 (21), 18-21 (26)

Questions? Call our UCAN contact Katrina Smith at (773) 290-5089.

GRANTS FOR NONPROFITS - The Outreach and Benevolence Committee annually distributes several grants to various nonprofit organizations in the city. Historically, these grants have been made to organizations having a long-standing relationship with St. Pauls and our members. We are also considering grant applications for other nonprofits. If you are involved in a nonprofit, and wish for them to be considered, please email Pauline Taylor at paulinetaylor933@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

APRIL 1 - WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY - 12 p.m., Zoom

Pastor Jeff is holding a Bible Study on Wednesdays at noon on Zoom. You can participate online, or call in from your phone. Email Jeff with questions, or to get the meeting invitation and instructions, jcarlson@spucc.org.

APRIL 1 - CHRISTIAN MUSIC HISTORY - 7:30 p.m., Facebook Live
Kurt Hansen's presentation has been rescheduled to this Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., live on our Facebook page.

THURSDAYS PARENTS OF LITTLE ONES NIGHT OUT/IN - 8 p.m., Zoom
We know it is tough to be stuck inside with small children at home and we need to support each other. Tune in on Thursdays to see what is working for other moms and dads. Pour yourself a glass of wine and enjoy some adult conversation. Contact Pastor Sarah at sgarcia@spucc.org.

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP

Please join us for the second meeting of a women's book group, during which we will discuss the second chapter of the book *Inspired*, by Rachel Held Evans. All are welcome - even if you missed the first meeting or haven't read the chapter. Email Corie Gallemore for more information: corie.gallemore@gmail.com.

OPPORTUNITIES

Most of these opportunities are currently suspended due to our stay-at-home, and some of them are happening virtually.

We look forward to the time when we can enjoy them all in person again.

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 by emailing Claire Higgins to check open Sundays in 2020, chiggins@spucc.org.

COLLEEN HENRY WRITING CENTER – Tutors Needed

Tutors volunteer two hours once a week, Monday through Thursday. Training and mentoring are available. For more information or to volunteer, contact Linda Patton, lpatton21@yahoo.com.

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.

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@gmail.com.

FAITH IN ACTION – Some people call it showing up for a protest. Others call it public witness for the values inherent in our faith. Most of us appreciate being able to do both with like-minded congregational members. We are continually building a Faith-in-Action list of people who wish to receive notice of such protests and gatherings – frequently on short notice due to swift governmental action. Please join this email list by contacting Claire Higgins at chiggins@spucc.org.

FAITH AND PUBLIC ISSUES – Help us connect our faith to critical public issues. Do you wish you knew more from a faith perspective about current issues that are important to our public life? Racism, climate change, immigration, to name a few. FPI programs provide opportunities to ask questions, help us understand issues in depth, and discuss possible action. The FPI Task Force plans these programs and we could use your ideas. Contact Toby Rogers at toby@rogers-home.com for information about meetings.

FEED THE HUNGRY – Each week, St. Pauls welcomes homeless and hungry people to Sunday dinner in the afternoon as part of the Community Engagement Program (CEP). Teams of 4-6 volunteers prepare and serve dinner. To sign up, contact Jennifer Kew at CEPsupper@gmail.com.

GIFTS, PASSIONS, SKILLS – If you have not already completed our GPS Survey, we still need to hear from you. Please go to forms.gle/jK54YezLs8Ea27uW8 to fill it out. This is an important component of our overall member engagement initiative, as mentioned in the November 10, 2019 congregational meeting. If you prefer to complete a paper document, they are available on the front counter of the office next to the labeled return box. Thank you in advance for your participation.

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY SERVICES HAS EXPANDED! – This St. Pauls founded organization serves homeless individuals for breakfast and dinner at two locations: 1521 N. Sedgwick and 600 W. Fullerton. Serving meals at two facilities means that LPCS is looking for new individuals and groups to volunteer to provide food. It's a great way to gather your friends, family, or colleagues together for an engaging and rewarding opportunity. For more information on how to get involved, email Abby at volunteer@lpcschicago.org, or call 773-549-6111 ext. 208.

LITTLE LIGHTS is a St. Pauls early childhood program with classes for 2, 3, and 4-year olds. We are now accepting applications for 2020. Check out www.littlelightslp.org. Email Little Lights Director Erin Fitzgerald at littlelights@spucc.org.

LONG, CLASSIC NOVELS READING GROUP – 2020 Selections are Four Novels by African American Women

This year, the “Long, Classic Novels Reading Group” will be reading:

Oreo, Fran Ross (1974) - Discussion Date: June 15

Parable of the Sower, Octavia E. Butler (1993) - Discussion Date: September 21

A Mercy, Toni Morrison (2008) - Discussion Date: December 14

Anyone is welcome to join us for one or all four. Please RSVP to Pastor Jeff for email updates: jcarlson@spucc.org.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES – We have new member classes throughout the year. Come after worship to these meetings – announced in the calendar section – and talk with pastors and members about faith and the community here at St. Pauls. Contact Pastor Matt for more information at mfitzgerald@spucc.org.

NEW OR EXPECTING PARENTS – If you have a new baby or are expecting a baby, please let Corie Gallemore know so that we can find ways to support you (meals, prayer, etc.). Email Corie at corie.gallemore@gmail.com.

OUTREACH AND BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE – Do you have a passion for reaching out to others? The St. Pauls O&B Committee would love to have you join us in keeping our church engaged in community outreach. For more information contact Pauline Taylor, paulinetaylor933@gmail.com, or Pastor Jeff, jcarlson@spucc.org.

PARENTS OF LITTLE ONES (POLO) has play dates, Moms night out, Dads night out, family pizza parties, prayer groups, and more activities to support families with little ones between the ages of 0 and 5. If you have young children and would like to get involved, please contact Joanne Tong at jctong@yahoo.com.

SARAH'S SIBS gather Wednesday mornings to make 40 bag lunches to distribute to homeless people. Come to the church kitchen at 9:30 a.m.

ST. PAULS BASKETBALL – 7 p.m. Wednesdays
Our weekly pick-up games are co-ed. Ages range widely and skill levels go from enthusiastic to “I think she played in college.” All are welcome! mfitzgerald@spucc.org.

ST. PAULS SOCIAL – Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Jen Luerssen at jenluerssen@yahoo.com. Subscribe to the distribution list at eepurl.com/gQ4Eg1, or look out for future events announced in the bulletin calendar.

SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY – Now meeting every Wednesday at noon via ZOOM. Newcomers are always welcome. Increase your faith and your knowledge of the Bible. RSVP: Pastor Jeff at jcarlson@spucc.org to get the ZOOM link.

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), Marti Pechnyo (mpechnyo@gmail.com), or Barb Kaiser (bkaiser2213@gmail.com).

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 them at youngadults@spucc.org.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week's bulletin or Friday email to chiggins@spucc.org no later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday.

Please limit announcements to 100 words. Thank you!

SAINT PAULS PRAYS

Please clip this page 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 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.

- Juanita Barlow recovering from surgery.
- Stacie B., sister of Mark P., and her sons at the unexpected passing of their husband/father, Ken.
- Andreas Hecht, whose father passed away suddenly at his home in Brazil.
- Hugo Osorio, whose son, Julio Esteban Sanchez Fierro, was killed in gun violence in Brazil.
- Polly Sippy, in hospice care.
- Denese S., friend of Pat Kirby, dealing with significant health problems.
- Rob and Shannon Castle's friend, Mike, in treatment for cancer.
- The Corbin family as they get settled in D.C. and navigate Ann's health issues.
- The Basil family at the death of Lois's mother, Carol Stoub.
- Pat Ruch's sister, Aline, beginning treatment for brain cancer.
- Prayers of healing for the young patients at Lurie and Comer Children's Hospitals.
- Carole Crowley, recovering from a stroke.
- Karl Wirsum, in rehabilitation for mini-strokes.
- Veterans and those in wars.

You are beloved – to others, to the world you live in, and most important, to God. God knows your struggles and failures, as well as your joys and triumphs. Even when you walk through the valley of shadows, God is with you. If you or someone you love has lost hope, is feeling completely alone or like life doesn't matter, reach out for help. 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.

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" LGBTQ 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 important, over the past 176 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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EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS ORDER FORM

You can remember a loved one by purchasing a lily or other flowering plant for the Easter Festival Altar. Purchased plants may be taken home after the 11 a.m. service on Easter Sunday – more details about pickup to come.

In Memory, or **in Celebration of**
(print name(s) as you wish to appear):

From *(your name(s) as you wish to appear):*

Daytime phone: _____

Email: _____

Email this form to Claire Higgins at chiggins@spucc.org

Your gift of \$30 or more may be made through Zelle “giving@spucc.org” or by visiting spucc.org/about-us/giving-to-st-pauls. Please put “Easter Flower” in the memo.

This form, along with your gift, **must arrive by April 8**. Any orders received after that date will not be printed in the bulletin.



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.