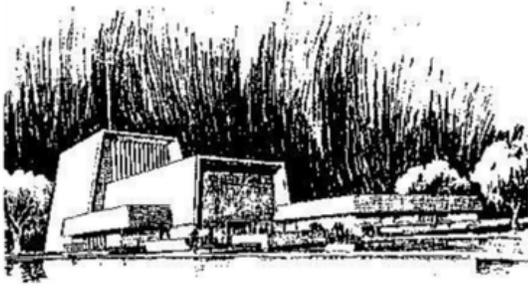


# MARCH

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Bible Class 9:10a Worship Service 10:30a	2 Word Ahead 9:30a	3	4 WBC 10:30a Elder's Meeting 2p Dinner 6p Taco Bar Lent 6:30p	5 SPK 5:30p Confirm 5:30p	6	7 Church Workday 9a-1p Secret Pals Reveal Party
8 Bible Class 9:10a Congregational Voter's Meeting 12p	9 Word Ahead 9:30a	10	11 WBC 10:30a Dinner 6p Soup Lent 6:30p	12 Ladies Luncheon 12:30p SPK 5:30p Confirm 5:30p	13	14
15 Bible Class 9:10a	16 Word Ahead 9:30a	17	18 WBC 10:30a Dinner 6p Potato Bar Lent 6:30p	19 Council Meeting 7p SPK 5:30p Confirm 5:30p	20	21
22 Bible Class 9:10a Worship Service 10:30a	23 Word Ahead 9:30a	24	25 WBC 10:30a Dinner 6p Pizza Lent 6:30p	26 SPK 5:30p Confirm 5:30p	27	28
29 Bible Class 9:10a Preschool Sings 10:30a Easter Egg Hunt	30 Word Ahead 9:30a	31				



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### SUNDAY TEXTS

In order to help you better prepare for the reception of the Word on Sunday morning, the Sunday texts are printed for your study.

#### **March 1, 2026**

Psalm 121:1-8  
First Lesson: Genesis 12:1-9  
Epistle: Romans 4:1-8, 13-17  
Gospel: John 3:1-17

#### **March 15, 2026**

Psalm 142:1-7  
First Lesson: Isaiah 42:14-21  
Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-14  
Gospel: John 9:1-7, 13-17, 34-39

#### **March 29, 2026**

Psalm 118:19-29; 31:9-16  
First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11  
Gospel: Matthew 26:1-27;66, Matthew 27:11-66, John 12:20-43

#### **March 8, 2026**

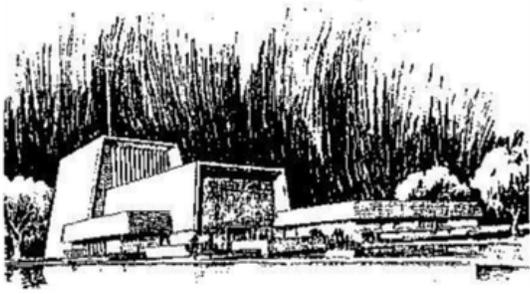
Psalm 95:1-9  
First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7  
Epistle: Romans 5:1-8  
Gospel: John 4:5-30, 39-42

#### **March 22, 2026**

Psalm 130:1-8  
First Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Epistle: Romans 8:1-11  
Gospel: John 11:1-53

### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Jane L.  
Donald M.  
Patty M.  
Steve Y.  
Tyler P.  
Colleen C.  
Julia L.  
Carol C.  
Daniel S.  
Laurette F.  
Christopher T.  
Doug V.C.  
David C.  
Jeff T.



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## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Saints at St Paul's,

As we journey through the season of Lent we are focused each Wednesday night on parts of the Lord's prayer. We are exploring a better understanding of how to pray and how the Lord's prayer is a guide. As I was preparing for the Lent season I looked at different themes and ideas. In my exploration, I looked into the many forms and meanings of the Aaronic Blessing that is said in the Benediction at the end of the service. The Blessings is not a prayer. A prayer is from the people addressed to God, but the Aaronic Blessing is a word *from God to us*. One writer put it this way: *It is a great reminder when pronounced at the end of worship that we are to live every moment of life Coram Deo, before the face of God. As we go into the world, we do not leave the presence of God, for by his benediction he has set his name on us (Num. 6:27)*. May this blessing show you how God's word does things. Just as in creation, his "Let there be" brought forth all things, so his words still accomplish reality. When God blesses you, you are blessed. End of discussion. The Lord isn't waiting for you to do your part. There is no "part" for you to do. Some might say, "Well, but we have to believe it." Yes, by faith we receive divine blessings, but faith is simply the empty hand into which the Lord puts his blessing. *The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his face upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26*

Many Blessings in Christ Jesus.

Sincerely,

Pastor David Hardin

## MARCH WORKDAY

Saturday, March 7th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm is the next workday at Church.

We will be concentrating on weeding and sweeping up the preschool playground, the HVAC area and the courtyard by the fellowship hall. Donuts will be provided. Join us for the donuts, fellowship and some work. The Church has all the tools needed.

Dale Crisp  
Properties Chairman

## PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

We are open 7am-5:45pm for ages 2-5 years old. Contact [preschool@stpaulswoodland.org](mailto:preschool@stpaulswoodland.org) for more information, or check out our website [stpaulswoodland.org/preschool](http://stpaulswoodland.org/preschool).



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*March*

- 3/01** - Fireworks booth deadline to register
- 3/04** - 2p Elder's Meeting
- 3/07** - 9a-1p Workday
- 3/07** - Secret Pals Reveal Party
- 3/08** - 12p Congregational Voter's Meeting
- 3/19** - 7p Council Meeting
- 3/29** - 10:30a All Children Sing & Egg Hunt

## 2026 YEAR TO DATE

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Church Income	\$+10,296 /JAN31	\$+10,296 /YTD
Net Operating Revenue	\$-773 /JAN31	\$-773 /YTD

## PLANNING COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

**FEB 19, 2026**

**Fundraising Committee:** Jog-a-thon set for 2/22 with 20 runners. Fireworks 6/28-7/4, March deadline to register. Community Market Place cancelled [originally set for 4/11].

**Properties:** Dale and Adam successfully stopped all the water leaks.

**Elder's Report:** Ash Wednesday service went well. 56 people attended. Stewardship campaign letters were sent. SPK and Confirmation on Thursdays. Everyone congratulated Adam Ramstad as new Elder. Church service needed to install Adam Ramstad, as well as welcome New Members. Bible studies continue Sunday mornings.

**Strategic Planning:** Several people are signed up to attend 2/28 9a-3p Reimagine Your Future Summit with Five Two Network.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor David Hardin shared he is deliberating his call to Brentwood. The spare piano in Classroom #1 was sold. Mar 8<sup>th</sup>, Congregation Voter's Meeting.

## LENT AT ST. PAUL'S

Each Wednesday of Lent, we will have dinner at 6 o'clock. Our theme is "Teaches to Pray" and will follow the Lord's Prayer and the Luther's Small Catechism. Join us each week for food and fellowship in the fellowship hall. Dinner starts at 6pm and worship begins at 6:30pm. Sign up to bring food for the Lent is in the back of church!

### **Second Wednesday during Lent. March 4, TACO BAR Dinner at 6:00pm**

Lentin Devotion 6:30pm

Title: What's in a Name?

Small Catechism: The First Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Primary Text: Numbers 6:22-27 with Matthew 28:18-20

### **Third Wednesday during Lent. March 11, SOUP Dinner at 6:00pm**

Lentin Devotion 6:30pm

Title: Kingdom Vision

Small Catechism: The Second Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Primary Text: John 3:1-8 (could couple with John 18:33-40)

### **Fourth Wednesday during Lent. March 18, POTATO BAR, Dinner at 6:00pm**

Lentin Devotion 6:30pm

Title: Unstoppable

Small Catechism: The Third Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Primary Text: Romans 8:31-38

### **Fifth Wednesday during Lent. March 25, PIZZA Dinner at 6:00pm**

Lentin Devotion 6:30pm

Title: It's All We Need

Small Catechism: The Fourth Petition of the Lord's Prayer

Primary Text: Matthew 6:25-34

**Palm Sunday March 29, 10:30am Preschool Sings, EASTER EGG HUNT!**

**Maundy Thursday April 2, 6:30pm**

**Good Friday April 3, 6:30pm,**

**Easter Sunday April 5, 10:30am**