



# February

**ST. PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

775-358-4474

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## Sunday Worship Information

10:00 a.m. In-person and on Zoom  
Holy Communion Service

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## From the Pile on Fr. Kirk's Desk...



After 16 ½ years, the “pile on my desk” is finally gone.

It's been one heck of a ride, one filled with kindness, love, mercy, forgiveness...and lots and lots of Jesus.

I look forward to watching as the Spirit continues to guide you into new things, new ministries, and new holy adventures.

Thank you for everything.

*Kirk*

## Sr. Warden Report

Now we begin a new chapter in the life of St. Paul's.

Thank you all for attending the farewell events we had for Fr. Kirk, Tricia and Cassidy. I know that meant a lot to them.

We will begin what could be thought of as a mourning period. We will experience missing Fr. Kirk in different ways but we are all on the journey together. During this time, we will have Rev. Rick Millsap and Fr. Julius Rogina providing clergy support and pastoral care through Easter. The vestry will soon be interviewing candidates for Interim Rector. Please be patient with the Vestry, the process and yourself as one never knows quite how they will be affected.

Looking forward, we are planning on having a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on March 4th beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We will have a free will offering for the dinner.

The vestry will have a retreat soon to make additional plans.

Please feel free to contact me for any parish needs.

Hang on! Get set for a new adventure!

Margaret Bouzek

Senior Warden

## St. Paul's Girls Weekend 2025

**Who:** Women of all ages and their friends are invited.

**When:** Friday, April 25-Sunday, April 27, 2025

**Where:** Camp Galilee, Lake Tahoe

**Why:** Come enjoy the beauty of Lake Tahoe, walk on the beach (the camp is steps from Lake Tahoe), get to know other women from our church, eat delicious food, have great conversations, play games, watch movies, enjoy an art project or two, go to South Lake Tahoe to shop or see a movie, and relax!

**Price:** \$200 per person. Limited scholarships are available- if needed, please chat with Tia. Payment is due before the event.

The weekend will begin with dinner on Friday night. Everyone attending will contribute a food item for Friday dinner. All meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday are included and prepared by Camp Galilee staff.

For more information or to confirm your attendance, you can call or email Tia Mittelstadt at [tia.mittel@gmail.com](mailto:tia.mittel@gmail.com) or 775-722-3329; or Erin Anderson at [erin@trinity-ai.com](mailto:erin@trinity-ai.com) or 775-250-2699. Checks can be made out to St. Paul's Episcopal Church and please note for SPGW 2025 on the memo line. Hope to see you there!

## St. Paul's Men's Retreat 2025

August 22nd - 24th

**What:** 3 days, 2 nights, 5 great meals, sun, fellowship, kayaking, tall tales, games, hiking, reading, more tall tales, whatever...it's your weekend.

**Where:** Galilee Episcopal Camp and Conference Center on the shore of Lake Tahoe.

**When:** From Friday afternoon August 22nd to Sunday August 24th

**Cost:** \$233.00 per person

If you have an interest or any questions, contact Dick Stufflebeam  
[Realstuff775@charter.net](mailto:Realstuff775@charter.net).

## Tax Giving Statements

The 2024 tax statements will be emailed January 28th. If we don't have your email address, it will be mailed. If you do not receive your statement soon, please notify the office at 775-358-4474 [Office@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Office@StPaulsSparks.org).

## Donate Last Year's Palms

Did you take home a blessed palm frond from last year's Palm Sunday service? If so, bring them to the church on a Sunday in February. They will be burned and used for the ashes on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Please join us on March 4<sup>th</sup> between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. for our annual pancake supper, we will be accepting free will offerings rather than a set price. The vestry will be preparing and serving the pancakes and accompanying eggs, sausage and bacon as well as coffee, juice and milk.



## Friday Bible Study on Zoom

### Special Note

The Friday Bible Study has been on a break. We **hope** to resume our Bible study on Friday, February 7th. Contact the office to confirm. 775-358-4474

## St. Paul's Prayer Team

Please call or email a prayer request to Rita at [honda07rita@gmail.com](mailto:honda07rita@gmail.com) or 775-971-4775.

Prayer requests for your special people will be on for about 2 months unless you need a longer date. Your special people will be lifted to our Lord each day. Thank you for the privilege of praying for you and your special people.

## Prayers and Squares Ministry

Beginning in January, Prayers and Squares will meet on the **FIRST SATURDAY AND the FOURTH MONDAY of each month.**

We will focus on making quilt tops during the Saturday meeting and on putting completed quilts together on the Monday meeting.

Sewing times begin at 9:00 a.m. both days. Bring a lunch as we may sew into the early afternoon.

We hope all interested persons can come to the events.

Here are the next few months' dates:

February 1 and February 24

March 1 and March 24

Margaret Bouzek and Linda Kennedy

## Laundry Love

Laundry Love is taking a hiatus for 3 months / the foreseeable future.

## Donate Your Old Computers

The Lion's Club is taking donations of old retired but usable Windows computers as well as old broken trash computer equipment. Working computers will be repurposed for those in need and the broken ones will be recycled.

You can bring these computers to the church for pickup by Dick Schori. If you have questions, contact him at [richard.schori@gmail.com](mailto:richard.schori@gmail.com).

## Want Something in the Newsletter?

Email it to [Office@StPaulsSparks.org](mailto:Office@StPaulsSparks.org) by the 25<sup>th</sup> each month.