



March

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Sunday Worship Information

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

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Sr. Warden Report

Can you believe it is already March!

We begin the season of Lent this month. Rev. Rick Millsap will be providing coverage for us during this time. Rev. Julius Rogina has had an unexpected health situation that prevents him from being with us as originally planned. Many thanks to Rev. Rick!

We will be having a Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper on March 4th beginning at 5:00 p.m. We have invited the other Episcopal parishes to join us as well.

The Vestry will have a retreat later on this month to develop a plan for moving forward during this time of transition. Please feel free to contact any of the vestry members if you have questions or concerns.

We are planning on having additional worship opportunities during Lent. Watch for announcements as we get closer to that time.

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 or 775-722-3329; or Erin Anderson at 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.

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, they will be burned and used for the ashes on Ash Wednesday, March 5th.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Please join us on March 4th 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.



Ash Wednesday Services

March 5th 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes.

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent! Come and join us.



Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 9th, 2025 – Spring Forward!

Turn your clocks ahead one hour on March 8th before you go to bed... then you won't miss church!



Friday Bible Study on Zoom

The Friday Bible Study is on hiatus.

Laundry Love

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

Daughters of the King invite you to join in the following:

During Lent the National Episcopal Church Women promotes “Thursdays in Black”. The World Council of Churches is promoting support of the global movement resisting attitudes and practices that permit rape and violence against women particularly women of color and indigenous women. Show your respect for women who are resilient in the face of injustice and violence by wearing black on Thursday during the season of Lent.

EYC Collecting Donations for 2025

“Blessing Bags”

The EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) will be collecting items for “Blessing Bags”, and we need your help! A Blessing Bag is a Ziplock bag stocked with food, toiletries, and other items one might need while living on the street.

Tags with suggested donation items will be on a tree in the Narthex beginning Sunday, February 9. You can pick a tag and then bring your donation back to the church by the deadline of Sunday, March 9. Toiletries should be travel or hotel sized, and food items should be in small, individually wrapped packages. The point is for them to fit into a gallon sized Ziplock bag. Some of items that will be listed on the tags are: gallon sized Ziplock bags, granola bars, cereal bars, snack crackers, small peanut butter packets/cups, small beef jerky packets, small nut packets, small boxes of raisins, applesauce

or fruit cups/pouches, juice boxes/pouches, packets of trail mix, hand sanitizer bottles or wipes, baby wipes, toothbrush/toothpaste, shampoo, lotion, combs, nail clippers, deodorant, socks, lip balm and travel sized tissues.

Any questions, please contact Tia Mittelstadt at 775-722-3329 or email at tia.mittel@gmail.com

Thank you!

Creation Care At St. Paul's

At St. Paul's we love God, and we love God's world. As a parish, we do a great number of things to express our love. Sometimes our efforts are seen, sometimes they are not. Sometimes we want to do something positive for the world but feel overwhelmed by the daunting tasks laid before us. Creation Care provides opportunities to show our commitment to loving God through loving God's world.

The Creation Care journey is a long one. Where should we start? A bulletin board has been set up outside of the parish hall. Look here for upcoming community events which support loving God's world. Ecopalians will keep us updated with the latest ways to help protect the environment. We will keep a calendar of upcoming classes offered at St. Paul's focusing on Creation Care.

The next Creation Care planning session is May 4, 2025, at 11:15 am in the youth room. Everyone is welcome. We'll be talking about next steps/projects. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Mike mgoodmarge@gmail.com or Robin Towne robinatowne@yahoo.com.

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.

St. Paul's Prayer Team

Please call or email a prayer request to Rita at 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 dates:
March 1 and March 24

Margaret Bouzek and Linda Kennedy

Want Something in the Newsletter?

Email it to Office@StPaulsSparks.org by the 25th each month.

Northern Nevada Spring Tea 2025

May 3, 2025

Noon til 2:00 pm

Doors open at 11:30 am

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

1135 12th St, Sparks, NV



\$20 per per person

cash or check payable at the door

Make your reservation by contacting Margaret Bouzek at
margaret.bouzek@gmail.com or 775-232-4712

Raffle prizes will be available.
Door prizes for Best Hat and
Best Table Setting

