

**February 23, 2023**



**MISSION STATEMENT**

*Called into community by the Spirit, we worship our Creator in the reformed tradition. We proclaim God's love by welcoming all seeking to know and serve Christ and to join us as we share His love in the community.*

**VISION STATEMENT**

*Continuously creating a vital congregation of faith, open to all, as we worship God, and boldly answer Christ's call to service.*

**Sunday, February 26, 2023**

Meeting Jesus at the Table: Feeding the Multitude



**Children/Youth Sunday School - 9:00 am**  
**Adult Education classes - 9:00 am**  
**Worship at 10:15 am**



***The Session of St. Paul has called a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of receiving the report of the Nominating Committee, to act on the recommendation to elect, ordain and install new officers and to elect a new member of the Nominating Committee.***

**Sunday, March 5, 2023**

Meeting Jesus at the Table: Eating with Tax Collectors and Sinners



**Children/Youth Sunday School - 9:00 am**  
**Adult Education classes - 9:00 am**  
**Worship at 10:15 am**



## Staying Connected

Streamed and Recorded Services: <https://stppc.org/virtual-worship/>

Ask for a Prayer Request: Email [prayer-network@stppc.org](mailto:prayer-network@stppc.org) or [pastor@stppc.org](mailto:pastor@stppc.org)

Join Prayer Network Email List: Send email w/subject "Join List" to [prayer-network@stppc.org](mailto:prayer-network@stppc.org)

Food Pantry volunteer signup: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084faaa629a1ff2-fpvolunteer>

View Church Calendar: <https://stppc.org/whats-happening/church-calendar/>

Add to Church Calendar Send request to [office@stppc.org](mailto:office@stppc.org)

Submit to the Newsletter Send request to [newsletter@stppc.org](mailto:newsletter@stppc.org)

## Offerings/Donations

You may mail a check to: St. Paul Presbyterian Church  
18901 E. Hampden Ave.  
Aurora, CO 80013

Online Donation options: <https://stppc.org/donations/>

In person donations: Sunday during Worship or office during office hours

## St. Paul Presbyterian's YouTube Channel

Scan this code with your smartphone to go to our YouTube channel or

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8VC2Q0iii62pJyIIntYmOQ>



## Hours

**Youth Sunday School & Adult Education** 9:00 am

**Sunday Worship** 10:15 am

**Office Volunteer Hours** 10:00 am – 1 pm Mon-Thurs; closed Friday

**Please note:** Our church office is run by volunteers. We appreciate your patience when we step away from the desk. If you reach voice mail, please leave your name/number, and who you are trying to reach so we can return your call. Thank you!

## St Paul News Publication Schedule – every other week

Please send submissions to [newsletter@stppc.org](mailto:newsletter@stppc.org)

Submission Deadline	Publishes
Tuesday Mar 7: noon	Thursday Mar 9
Tuesday Mar 21: noon	Thursday Mar 23
Tuesday Apr 4: noon	Thursday Apr 6
Tuesday Apr 18: noon	Thursday Apr 20

# Refrigerator Reminder Page

Print this page--Highlight those STPPC activities you want to remember.

**Submit all calendar dates to [office@stppc.org](mailto:office@stppc.org)**

Full Calendar (all churches and activities) at: <https://stppc.org/whats-happening/church-calendar/>

THURS	2/23		
FRI	2/24		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
		6:30pm	Game & Craft Night (please enter through the double doors)
SAT	2/25	5:00 PM	MMF Fellowship Setup [Fellowship Hall]
SUN	2/26	9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	Meeting of the Congregation
		after worship	All Church Potluck [Fellowship Hall]
		after worship	MMO meeting
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	2/27	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
		6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal [Sanctuary]
TUE	2/28	10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		12:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer [Sanctuary]
WED	3/01	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper – Chili Dinner hosted by Care Group 3
		6:45 pm	Lenten Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary – following Lenten Study]
THURS	3/02	6:30 pm	Deacons
FRI	3/03		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
SAT	3/04		
SUN	3/05	9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	MBG Meeting
		after worship	MMF Meeting
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	3/06	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
		6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal [Sanctuary]
TUE	3/07	10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		12:00 pm	St Paul News deadline for this week [newsletter@stppc.org]
		12:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer [Sanctuary]
		3:00 pm	MCE Meeting
WED	3/08	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper – Brats & Dogs Dinner hosted by Care Group 1
		6:45 pm	Lenten Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary – following Lenten Study]
THURS	3/09		St Paul News posts today
		7:00 pm	Session

**OFFICE VOLUNTEER HOURS NOW 10am – 1pm. We recommend calling before you come!**

We are not going to cover bad weather days and risk our volunteers driving and walking on ice.

SAVE THE DATE	FOR...
Wednesday , March 15th	Lenten Study & Dinner, 6pm dinner, 6:45pm study
Wednesday , March 22nd	Lenten Study & Dinner, 6pm dinner, 6:45pm study
Wednesday , March 29th	Lenten Study & Dinner, 6pm dinner, 6:45pm study

## VOCAL CHOIR

Rehearsals are weekly on Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:15-ish pm. in the sanctuary.  
There are no auditions and - although reading music is a plus, it is not a requirement.

So, if you like to sing, consider joining us in this ministry.  
Questions? contact Karen Petty, choir director.

## February Celebrations

### Happy Birthday

Thomas Moe	Feb 1
Patty Childress	Feb 2
Kathleen Hall	Feb 7
Mary Hagen	Feb 9
Bruce Larson	Feb 14
Logan Gaudreau	Feb 14
Nathan Reed	Feb 15
Gary Crownover	Feb 16
Nancy Dixon	Feb 20
Colleen Green	Feb 20
Ana Hill	Feb 23
David Bill Manoy	Feb 24
Doug Wetzel	Feb 25
Cheryl Wetzel	Feb 27

### Happy Anniversary

Don & Laura Allensworth	Feb 15
Erika & Sean Pepler	Feb 25

*If we have missed your birthday or anniversary,  
we apologize.*

Please leave a note in the church office, email  
[office@stppc.org](mailto:office@stppc.org),  
or call the church office at 303-693-3434 so we can  
make sure your birthday, anniversary,  
and other important information is recorded.

## March Celebrations

### Happy Birthday

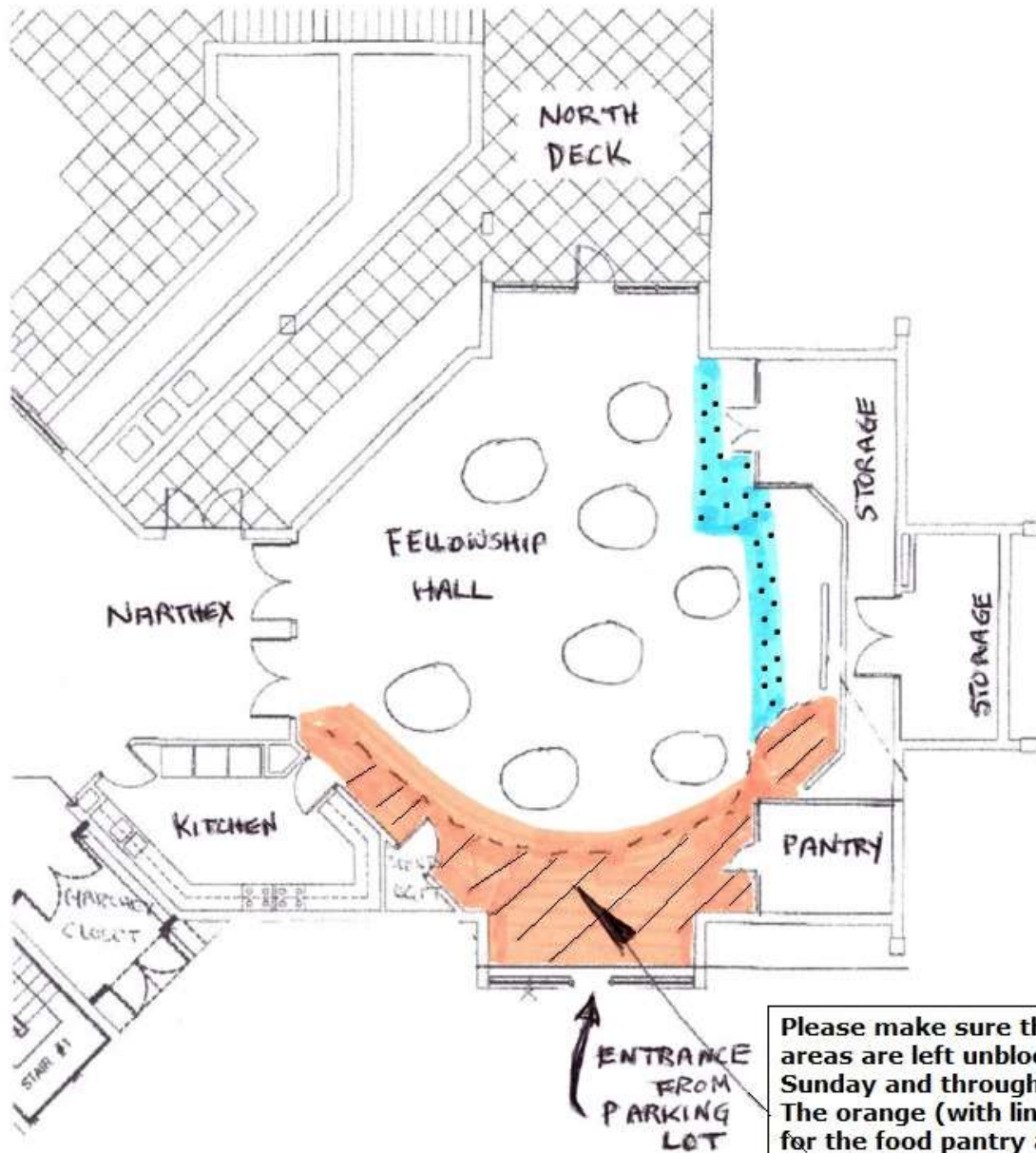
Victoria Crownover	Mar 4
Lillianna Turvin	Mar 11
Tom Frerichs	Mar 15
Kevin Morin	Mar 19
Connor Girard	Mar 20
Judy Straayer	Mar 21
Matthew Babcock	Mar 21
Isabella Wairama	Mar 22
Anne Gordon	Mar 22
Theresa Harris	Mar 27
Jenna Fidler	Mar 28
Joann Goss	Mar 30
Karen Petty	Mar 31

### Happy Anniversary

Gary & Victoria Crownover	Mar 24
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## Fellowship Hall Floor Area Reminder

When you are done using the Fellowship Hall area -whether it be for education, worship, fellowship, or other events – please make sure that the areas noted below are not blocked and **all food trash has been taken to the dumpster**. The food pantry needs the areas to continue our critical mission, and there are some less mobile individuals who have had trouble getting between the ADA accessible doors. Thank you so much!



Also remember, our custodians only come once a week (Friday night)—please clean up after yourself: wipe off tables, clean up the floor around you, put trash in trash.

Please make sure the shaded areas are left unblocked after Sunday and through the week. The orange (with lines) is used for the food pantry and ADA access between doors. The blue shaded area (with dots) provides access to the storage room and freezer with room to move carts. Thank you!



# Meet our St. Paul Family



## **Meet Ora Brown**

I was born and raised in Bluff City Kansas. I attended Kansas State University where I met my husband Lewis, who died in 2010. We moved from Great Bend, Kansas in 1971 to colorful Colorado.

I worked at Samsonite from 1971 to 1981, in compensation and benefits, and attended night school at University of Colorado, Denver (UCD). Some of my UCD courses increased my love for prehistoric cultures and environment.

In 1981 I was employed with National Farmers Union. In 1995 I became employed with Farmers Insurance Group, as a licensed subagent and stayed until my retirement in December 2019.

This brings me to my hobbies which are reading, working in the yard, and visiting my family. I do plan to travel to Omaha this May for a reunion with my sisters. I would also like to travel to Eads, Co. to see the Sand Creek Museum and visit some of the many historical places right here in Denver. In the past I have traveled to Hawaii, New Mexico, Nebraska, Washington State, California, Wyoming and South Dakota

My immediate family consists of Isaac, Amanda, Veronica (11) and Rory (7) (Brown) who live in Valencia, CA; Joshua, Stephanie, Colin (12) and Ethan (10) Parker who live in Centennial. Christopher (deceased 2018) Kelly, Felix Raymond (13) , Beatrix, and Raymond-Brown (8) who live in Aurora.

I became a member of St. Paul in 2010 was out for a couple of years and returned in 2018. I am an active Deacon and work as an office volunteer.

## **LENTEN DINNERS SCHEDULE**

The Lenten dinners will be every Wednesday of Lent, starting with Ash Wednesday. The deacons receive no funding at all from the church, but voluntary contributions at the Lenten dinners help the deacons to provide meals, rides, medications, and other services to our congregation. Please join us for Lenten dinners which begin on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd this year.

**Feb 22:** Pancake supper provided by all the deacons.

**Mar 1:** Chili supper provided by Care Group 3 and deacons Ellen Ingram, Louella Grgic and Michelle Hodder.

**Mar 8:** Brats and Dogs provided by Care Group 1 and deacons Karl Graber and Martin Cobb.

**March 15:** Potato Bar provided by Care Group 5 and deacons Kay Boteler, Joelle Brouner and Terrie Russell.

**March 22:** Italian night provided by Care Group 4 and deacons Ana Hill and Ora Brown.

**March 29:** Mexican food provided by Care Group 2 and deacons Deanna Gordon and Lucy Carlson.

# Snacks for Sunrise



gluten free options.

It is time once again to start collecting snack donations for our young friends at Sunrise Elementary. Each year St. Paul generously donates healthy snacks to give to students during the state testing window. Some possible ideas are granola bars, crackers, Goldfish, Gogurts and perhaps some



We will collect March 1-19 and take them to the school to have on hand when they begin testing. A table will be set up in the Narthex for you to place your donations on.



As always, a huge THANK YOU for your generosity on this worthwhile outreach project.

**Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!**

**Our congregation raised \$1,677.**



**You are AWESOME!!!!**



## Open letter to the St. Paul congregation

I would like to thank the members and friends of St. Paul for your cards, visits and prayers while I was in the hospital and rehab center and also while I was convalescing at home. I am happy to be back at church and able to see all of you.



Please be patient with me as I continue my path to get back to 100%. I will in the meantime try to get back in the swing of things.

Again, Thank you.

*Rich Hartung*

## STPPC Food Pantry

STPPC Food Pantry Silent Auction—

*has been postponed until further notice!*

*Please save those items you have been working on.*

### STPPC FOOD PANTRY---February 23, 2023



WOW—the food pantry has had a great financial week.

1<sup>st</sup>—Food Bank of the Rockies (FBR) issued us a grant for \$2,000.

2<sup>nd</sup>—Denver Presbytery approved our Daily Bread Mission project for \$2,000.

3<sup>rd</sup>—You all were wonderful with “Souper Bowl” \$1,677

Anyone have contacts with Aurora Rotary Club? They might help support our pantry.

Tuesday, February 14—Several of us brought Valentine candy to add to the boxes!!! 55 boxes were distributed!

Monday, February 20—There was a 1,231 pound pick up. It cost us nothing because of the grant from FBR. Produce: green beans, onions, carrots, potatoes, strawberries, cauliflower rice. 50 bags of produce were handed out. Eggs were available and purchased. Lots of bread was available at FBR.

Tuesday, February 21—53 boxes were distributed with *9 new clients* plus bread, eggs, produce and the box.

Pantry was blessed the last 2 Tuesdays—the storms came on Wednesday!!!



[FPGroup: FP Volunteer Signup \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

Please use the above link to distribute in March—there are very few people signed up.



## PRAYERS

- ♥ Lana Corbin - Please continue to pray for my mom, Sharon. She has been in rehab for three weeks now. In that time, she has had two falls and now has Covid. Please pray for her healing, safety and comfort. She just moved into an independent living community in November and we are now looking to move her into a new assisted living community. Please pray for me and my family as we again start the process of packing, going through stuff and making another move.
- ♥ Deanna Gordon is very sick with COVID and so is her son Cliff. Please pray for them both! Deanna has medicine being delivered, not sure if Cliff does.
- ♥ Gilbert Fru asked for prayers for his dear friend and Marine Veteran William David Edgar. David was diagnosed with lung cancer. He has undergone chemo but his last evaluation revealed that there are no new cancer cells, but the original cancer cells remain the same. David is a strong believer, but he is beginning to lose hope. Please pray for God's strength, renewed health and hope, and most importantly God's HEALING for my friend David.
- ♥ Emily Reh asked for prayers for Theresa Scheer. Theresa has finished radiation and had surgery for fractures of the pelvis and will need rehab before chemo.
- ♥ Cheryl Wetzel asked for prayers for Jolene Emmer. Jolene is currently in ICU fighting for her life. She and her husband Brad just had their 4th child 2 weeks ago. There are no answers yet.
- ♥ Cathy Walter – prayer of joy that her granddaughter, Elena was accepted to CU Denver Nursing program out of 20% of applications. Cathy is very proud of her.
- ♥ Cathy Walter – Thank you for all your prayers for me. It was just sinus issues and is getting better.
- ♥ Jennifer Gaudreau – Baby Archie Jones is home and doing well. Surgery was successful. Pray for continued healing and no infection.
- ♥ Jennifer Gaudreau – R.J. Borkowski had another scan. There is no new growth, but no shrinkage. It is not the best news, but not the worst.
- ♥ Erika Pepler – prayer of joy that her mom and dad, William and Christine Weinberg, will fly in from Pennsylvania this week for a visit.
- ♥ Luke Hopkins offered prayers of joy that he earned his *CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst* (CySA+) certification, the penultimate certification for the CompTIA organization.
- ♥ Diane Snively's daughter, Linda - Diane was transferring to Sky Ridge Medical Center with severe COVID. Diane Snively's daughter, Linda Baker, has asked for prayers for Diane. She is pretty sick with COVID right now, please send prayers for a speedy recovery.

**Diane mailing address is:**

Diane Snively  
7578 Grady Circle  
Castle Rock, CO 80108



## 30 Small Acts of Kindness You Can Do Every Day

- Give a genuine or silly compliment to anyone and everyone.
- Write down what you appreciate about another family member and pass it along.
- Check in with someone who is sick.
- Ask if you can help someone who may be having a difficult time in life right now.
- Lend your vehicle to take someone without one shopping for their necessities.
- Hold the door open for the person behind you.
- Say, “Thank you. Have a nice day” to someone who holds the door for you.
- Make a card for someone special.
- Deliver flowers anonymously to a hospital patient.
- Walk someone’s dog.
- Ask a senior citizen about their life story and truly listen.
- Give a hug to a loved one or friend.
- Clean up the mess made when dining out.
- Offer to pay another person’s food bill.
- Lend a hand to someone doing yard work.
- Bring treats to your workplace for coworkers to enjoy.
- Donate to a homeless person, perhaps give them some food.
- Leave a kind server a generous tip.
- Smile big at a random stranger, just because.
- Let a person out from a side road who’s waiting to get into the main road.
- Help another parent out with a stroller or carrying things.
- Hand out random notes that say nice things to people you pass.
- Give away stuff for free online or to a local needy family.
- Give someone a book that you no longer need.
- Give our parents or grandparents a call just because.
- Volunteer at a community event.
- Pay the toll for the person behind you.
- Pick up trash in a parking lot.
- Drop off cookies at a friend’s house.