

January 26, 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.



Sharing the Light

Sunday, January 29, 2023
Sunday, February 5, 2023



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 or pastor@stppc.org

Join Prayer Network Email List: Send email w/subject "Join List" to 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

Submit to the Newsletter Send request to 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

Submission Deadline	Publishes
Tuesday Jan 24: noon	Thursday Jan 26
Tuesday Feb 7: noon	Thursday Feb 9
Tuesday Feb 21: noon	Thursday Feb 23
Tuesday Mar 7: noon	Thursday Mar 9

Refrigerator Reminder Page

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

Submit all calendar dates to office@stppc.org

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

THURS	1/26		
FRI	1/27		OFFICE CLOSED
SAT	1/28	6:00 pm	Pre-BINGO dinner
		6:30 pm	BINGO!!!
SUN	1/29	9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	1/30	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
TUE	1/31	10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		12:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer [Sanctuary]
WED	2/01	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]
THURS	2/02	6:30 pm	Deacons
FRI	2/03		OFFICE CLOSED
SAT	2/04	6:00 pm	Special Handbell Concert at Smoky Hill United Methodist (see below)
SUN	2/05	9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	MBG
		after worship	MMF
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	2/06	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
TUE	2/07	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
WED	2/08	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
THURS	2/09		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...
February 12th	Souper Bowl Sunday – proceeds to STPPC Food Pantry
February 22nd	Ash Wednesday

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

Remaining January Celebrations

Happy Birthday

Zane Capobianco	Jan 31
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Happy Anniversary

Kay & Mike Cary	Jan 29
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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,
or call the church office at 303-693-3434

Celebrating Baptism



Saturday, January 28th, BINGO FAMILY FUN NIGHT, Fellowship Hall

ARE YOU READY? YES, IT'S ALMOST HERE!

This Saturday, 1/28/23, is our BINGO Family Fun Night in the Fellowship Hall. Join us for an evening of fun and laughter! Michelle Girard will be leading us in a fun and often hilarious game of Bingo! (***Bingo sheets and markers are provided for you.***)

Dinner starts at 6 pm - come hungry!

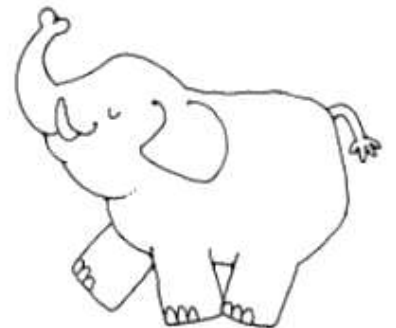
- * The Nacho/Taco Bar will be provided by MMF.
- * Please bring a favorite dessert or nibbly or supplemental dish to share.



We will play Bingo from 6:30 - 8 pm.

Please bring an inexpensive, unwrapped White Elephant item to be used for a Bingo Prize - all ages will be there so anything goes (almost....we don't do the traditional white elephant stealing.)

Bring your family and friends as we start our New Year getting to know each other and as we challenge our Bingo savvy and compete for some pretty UNIQUE prizes!



Please don't be late – we know how to eat.

There is no charge, but donations to the children's programs will be accepted.



As most of you know, Steve Morin has been in the hospital for several days with serious health issues, followed by bypass surgery. Steve and Lisa's daughter has set up a GoFundMe page to help with the medical expenses, which will be astronomical.

Although this is not a St. Paul fundraiser, we felt it important to share it with the St. Paul family to give people the opportunity to donate if they wish.

As always, please keep praying for this family. It is the best gift you can give them.

Pastor Kim

<https://gofund.me/4749b778>

Ministry of Finance and Stewardship

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS *PER CAPITA*?

It's the amount St Paul contributes to Denver Presbytery annually to support the work and the missions of our denomination.

We get far more support from our Presbytery and PC (USA) than we ever give. Presbytery, in the way of direct grants to St Paul, has provided support back to us generously through the years. These grants have enabled us to improve our church facility, meet emergency repair needs and provide for the ongoing needs of our community.

Your *Per Capita* pays for the programs, training, and resources that help us work together and discern the mind of Christ. By contributing your portion of *Per Capita*, you have freed up dollars in our regular budget for the work and missions of our congregation in the community.



Our 2023 budgeted *Per Capita* is \$3,600 (**\$32.00 per member**) and this amount is really depends on you to be able to fulfill St Paul's pledge. This amount per member is beyond any amount you may have pledged and we respectfully ask you to support this worthwhile effort.

Per Capita envelopes will be available with the bulletins on during Sunday worship, or you may simply notate on your check.

Our 'thank you' from Ministry of Finance & Stewardship...

Amazing Handbell Concert Opportunity Very Close to Us! Joy in the Journey

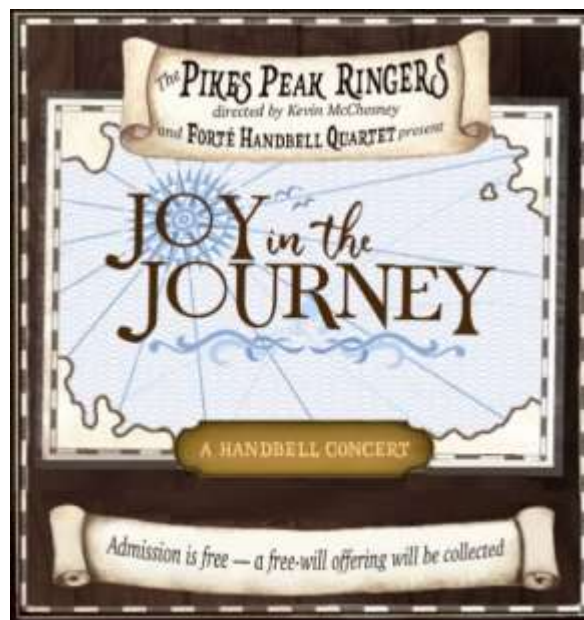
Pikes Peak Ringers, special guest Forté , and additional musicians are excited to invite you to our Farewell Concert, *Joy in the Journey*, on Saturday, February 4th at 6pm at Smoky Hill United Methodist Church . Our beloved director Kevin McChesney is retiring, and this will be his final concert series directing the Pikes Peak Ringers, 32 years after he founded the group. Come join us for the celebration of music to honor his time with us! This concert is free – a goodwill offering will be taken during the concert .

If you have ever heard or played handbells, chances are that you have heard a piece of music written by Kevin McChesney. A career composer and arranger of handbell music, Kevin has over 1,000 titles in print and is one of the very few musicians who makes handbells a full-time vocation. He has been in demand throughout the handbell world as a workshop clinician and festival conductor for decades. He has touched every corner of the handbell world and many, many lives in the process, and will be missed.

The Pikes Peak Ringers (www.PikesPeakRingers.com) is a community handbell choir that has performed a variety of styles of music, including classical, traditional, pop, jazz, new age, contemporary and original. In addition to performances throughout the state of Colorado and the western United States, the Pikes Peak Ringers have been the featured group at several national handbell choir events, have been involved with publishers in providing promotional recordings of new releases, and have recorded seven studio CDs and produced two performance DVDs.

In January 2009, the Pikes Peak Ringers were selected as the winner of a worldwide collaboration contest with cellist Yo - Yo Ma . The track, "Dona Nobis Pacem," was included on Ma's 2009 album, "Songs of Joy and Peace," and also on PPR's sixth album, "Classics," released in 2011. The group will continue in the future under a new director.

Saturday, February 4th, 6pm
Smoky Hill United Methodist Church
19491 East Smoky Hill Rd Centennial, CO



**Some Ways to Help Fund the STPPC Food Pantry
A Critical part of the St Paul Missions**



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023

**BRING CANS OF SOUP
OR BRING CASH**

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY
HELP STPPC FOOD PANTRY!!!!

BOX OF THE MONTH



**STPPC FOOD PANTRY
BOX OF THE MONTH CLUB**

Join the **BOX OF THE MONTH CLUB**. Donate \$30 to the food pantry or create a box of food.

Boxes should include: 2 soups, 1 peanut butter, 1 shelf stable milk, 2 vegetables, 2 tomatoes, 2 beans, 2 chicken or tuna, 2 macaroni and cheese, 1 rice, 1 pasta, 1 oatmeal.

[Online Donations – \(stppc.org\)](http://stppc.org) mark the donation STPPC Food Pantry.

My Dear Church Family,

Like Advent, Lent is a busy time of year, although in a different way. It's a time to be contemplative, prayerful, and self-aware. We have things planned for the upcoming Lenten season that we hope will enhance your time of walking with our Lord on this journey.



2023 LENTEN SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday – February 22, 6:00 Pancake Supper, 6:45 Ash Wednesday Service.

Wednesday Evening Study and Dinner – March 1 thru March 29, 6:00 dinner, 6:45 study. This year we will look at the richness of the season of Lent within the church year, exploring the traditions, prayers, scriptures, and rituals of the season. Each care group will take a turn providing the meal, so be expecting a call from your Deacon to provide a contribution.

Sunday Morning Worship – Our Lenten theme for Sunday morning this year will be, Meeting Jesus at the Table. We will explore a variety of times Jesus shared a meal with others.

February 26 - Feeding the Multitude

March 5 - Eating with Tax Collectors and Sinners

March 12 - Eating with Pharisees (and a Woman with an Alabaster Jar)

March 19 - Those Looking for Places of Honor at the Table

March 26 - Those Whom We Exclude from the Table

Holy Week

April 2 (Palm Sunday) – A Meal with Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. Prior to worship we will meet in the Fellowship room and process together into the sanctuary with palms.

April 6, 6:00 (Maundy Thursday) – A Meal of Memories: We will share a meal and memories in the Fellowship Room.

April 7, 7:00 (Good Friday) – Final Words from the Cross

April 9 (Easter Sunday) – Lift High the Cross of the Risen Christ!

We pray this will be a meaningful time for you – a time in which you sense the presence of Jesus on this journey with you.

Lenten Blessings, Pastor Kim

Meet our St. Paul Family



Meet Doug, Cheryl, Nathan, and Chloe Wetzel

Doug and Cheryl have been members of St. Paul since 2002. Cheryl has served as an Elder and treasurer. Doug has spent many hours in the church kitchen preparing meals. Both Nathan and Chloe were actively involved in the church youth group, playing handbells, and being a part of the worship service.

Doug is employed at Davidson's liquor as a floor manager. He enjoys repurposing wine barrels into liquor cabinets, smoking meats, running with our dog Jasper and reading.

Cheryl is in her 33rd year as a high school math teacher at Rangeview High School. In her spare time, she plays handbells at St. Paul, and she runs and swims to stay fit and sane.

Nathan is in his second year at University of Northern Colorado (UNCO) studying theater education with a minor in English. In his spare time, he runs several D&D campaigns (Dungeons & Dragons) with his friends.

Chloe is in her first year at UNCO. After a semester of elementary education classes, she is changing majors to undecided.

The family loves being in the outdoors hiking, skiing, snowshoeing and camping. We are looking forward to a trip to Germany in the spring.

Sunday January 18th Photos



Installing Matt and Cleve as Elders



Annual Congregational Meeting



*Martin
The Robert W. Graham Award*



*Ginger
The Page P. Wagner, Jr.
and Lorna Wagner Award*



*Cassie & Conrad
The New Beginnings Award*

STPPC Food Pantry



So, as you have heard—STPPC Food Pantry is struggling financially. Food Bank of the Rockies in their January Newsletter, said their prices have risen 40% to cover their costs. Gee—we hadn't noticed. Please see the STPPC Annual Report for an exact report on STPPC Food Pantry.

In creating the boxes, the food is both nutritional and filling. Peanut butter is one of the staples for protein in our boxes. The cost to us is \$1.74 each for 18 ounces at Food Bank of the Rockies (FBR). This is a better price than we can get at the supermarket.

Please see Box of the Month. [pg 7]



Tuesday, January 17, 52 boxes were distributed. At 12:15 as I was cleaning up, a couple stopped who are regulars requesting 2 boxes. Of course, since I was there, I gave them the boxes. Since we weren't packing on Sunday, boxes were packed during distribution. 38 boxes were packed by noon on the 17th. True Light had a memorial service that day; there was lots of traffic directing to prevent accidents. The joys of sharing our building.

Monday, January 23, 1,786 pounds was picked up by Parra's and Reh's. The cost was \$1,416.21. Parra's goal is to get as much free food from the FBR Fresh Food Market as possible. 50 bags of fresh produce included salads, oranges, potatoes, onions and tortillas. Great haul!

Tuesday, January 24, only 40 boxes were distributed—*again—go figure*. Maybe because of the cold? But those clients received a haul. Their boxes includes 16 ounces of vegetable oil, crackers, and bread. Maybe they knew there were big doings for Pastor Yu's installation.



Please come join us!! We'd love to have you! [FPGroup: FP Volunteer Signup \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

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Coming in March

STPPC Food Pantry Silent Auction



You remember how much fun we had the Youth Triennium Silent Auction? Same idea—different fund.

As you know the STPPC Food Pantry is struggling financially. So, on Friday, March 17, St. Paul Presbyterian Church is holding a silent auction to raise money for the pantry.

Your job—should you choose to accept it—is to provide items for the Silent Auction.

Make a quilt, your favorite pie, knit an item, provide beautiful cards from your own photos, go through your stuff to find something that will sell. The goal is to raise funds for the food pantry.

Keep your eye on the newsletter for further information.

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(thanks in advance)

PRAYERS

- ♥ Please continue to pray for the Belt family in the loss of Bill.
- ♥ Prayers for Kay Boteler and family. Kay's cousin Carolyn, who is like a sister to her is in her last days.
- ♥ Continued prayers for Ora Brown as she continues to heal from shoulder surgery.
- ♥ Gayle Downen - Please pray for Marylou. She is a little person who had surgery on the 19th for total hip replacement. Her son said she is doing well and the surgery took less time than was anticipated.
- ♥ Cleve Dixon - I just received word that an old friend of mine, Dana Brendsel, is in Lutheran hospital with Covid & pneumonia. The prognosis isn't very good. Please pray for Dana, his medical team, and his family.
- ♥ We were asked this week to pray for the family of Lena Pickett, the teenage niece of Lisa and Steve Morin, who was in children's hospital in critical condition. Lisa and Steve thank you for your prayers for their niece. Sadly, Lena died of suicide. Lena was the daughter of Lisa's youngest brother and came to the family through adoption. She struggled with mental health issues.
- ♥ Katie Ford - Please pray for my son Kyle and his wife Callie. Her father was in ICU last weekend in a coma and on life support after experiencing serious complications after surgery. He passed away on Monday Jan 9, 2023. Kyle was away on deployment to Africa at the time. We are hoping to get him back to the US to be with Callie later this week. Callie lost her mother 4 years ago when Kyle was on deployment to Iraq. She has now lost both her parents in a very short span of time. They are expecting their first child in June.
- ♥ Karen Petty - Celebrating that my cousin Ron is not only out of ICU but has been released from the hospital. The doctors are pleased with his progress and the blood thinners are working.
 - John Foster (my cousin Becky's husband that we've been praying for) had surgery on the 19th. He has cancer that impacts his tongue and lymph nodes. Praise that the surgery went well and was nine hours instead of the scheduled 12. He is expected to be in the hospital for a week to 10 days and then either go home or to a care facility. After 6 weeks of surgical healing, he'll begin radiation treatments - 5 days a week for 6 weeks. He made need chemo after that. All along he'll be receiving speech/swallow therapies. All this impacts his ability to work which is an added stressor for the family. This will be a long road so please continue to hold Becky and John in prayer.
- ♥ Lana Corbin - I'd like prayers for my mom, Sharon Scholle. She took another nasty fall, resulting in stitches in her head and another shoulder dislocation. She is at Swedish hospital awaiting approval from insurance to go to an acute rehab facility. Please pray she finds comfort and for the insurance to authorize this process.

- ♥ Rebekah Turvin - Everlee is a 10-month girl who has had a heart transplant and is currently on ecmo. She is struggling with her liver, lungs, kidneys and maintaining her overall health. Everlee is currently in critical condition again. Please pray for her, her siblings and parents. This has been very hard for them, they ask for continued strength and prayer support.
- ♥ Steve Morin – called Saturday morning and has made an amazing improvement. He is off sedation and most meds and machines. His ventilator was taken out on Wednesday evening. He is happy to talk, eat, and drink. By-pass surgery took place on Monday morning. Please continue to pray for Steve and Lisa.
- ♥ Jennifer Gaudreau - The first is an update on RJ Borkowski, the son of my dear friend. While scans in December showed a decrease in tumor size, a blood test has now shown an increase in the tumor marker. Because of this, he will go back to the original chemo protocol, which was every 2 weeks, as opposed to every 3 weeks he was on and an increase in one of the chemo drugs. Please continue to pray for RJ, his wife, his parents and siblings, and of course his medical team.
 - Please pray for Smitty Smith, he is the husband of another close friend. Smitty was diagnosed with bladder cancer a few years ago. It has spread so there are a few new spots they are watching. He will begin another round of chemo soon.
 - Archie Jones is the one-month-old grandson of my best friend in Louisiana. Archie was born with a birth defect that was not known about until the day they were to be discharged. Archie's parents have to perform a difficult procedure on him twice a day to prepare him for surgery in March. A consult last week showed they were not making as much progress as the doctor wanted and they left feeling a little defeated. Please pray for Archie and his parents as this is a difficult time.
- ♥ Emily Reh – Prayers Theresa Scheer, a dear friend has been diagnosed with bone cancer and is undergoing treatment. Praying for strength and relief from the pain.
 - Prayers for Katy Reh, their niece, is undergoing treatment for cancer that has recurred. Praying for strength and healing.
- ♥ Gary Crownover – please pray for the family of Gary's Uncle Kelly Crownover, who passed away earlier this week. This is one of my Dad's older brothers.



just for fun

Winter Activities

1. Color



2. Come play Bingo

3. Shovel

4. Sing in the choir

5. Join a Ministry Unit

6. Start a project for the Food Pantry Silent Auction

7. Pray