

March 9, 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, March 12, 2023**



**CLOCKS TURN AHEAD SAT NIGHT**

Meeting Jesus at the Table: Eating with the Pharisees



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



**Sunday, March 19, 2023**

Meeting Jesus at the Table: Those Looking for Places of Honor at the Table



**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 21: noon	Thursday Mar 23
Tuesday Apr 4: noon	Thursday Apr 6
Tuesday Apr 18: noon	Thursday Apr 20
Tuesday May 2: noon	Thursday May 4

# 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	3/09	7:00 pm	Session
FRI	3/10		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
SAT	3/11	5:00 PM	MMF Fellowship Setup [Fellowship Hall]
SUN	3/12		<b>Daylight Saving Time Begins [Clocks Ahead]</b>
		9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	Fellowship [Fellowship Hall]
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	3/13	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
		4:00 pm	MoFS Meeting
		6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal [Sanctuary]
TUE	3/14	9:30 am	Prayer Shawl Ministry
		10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		12:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer [Sanctuary]
WED	3/15	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper – Potato Bar Dinner hosted by Care Group 5
		6:45 pm	Lenten Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary – following Lenten Study]
THURS	3/16		
FRI	3/17		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>
SAT	3/18	9:00 am	Books & Brunch
SUN	3/19	9:00 am	Adult Education and Youth Sunday School
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	MOW Meeting
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	3/20	9:30 am	Food Pantry stocking and setup [Fellowship Hall]
		6:30 pm	Handbell Rehearsal [Sanctuary]
TUE	3/21	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]
WED	3/22	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper – Italian Dinner hosted by Care Group 4
		6:45 pm	Lenten Study
		7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary – following Lenten Study]
THURS	3/23		St Paul News posts today

**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 29th	Lenten Study & Dinner, 6pm dinner, 6:45pm study
Palm Sunday, April 2nd	Gather in Narthex
Maundy Thursday, April 6th	6pm, A Meal of Memories (Dinner included)
Good Friday, April 7th	7pm, Sanctuary
Easter Sunday, April 9th	10:15am, Sanctuary [Nursery provided]

## 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.

## 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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*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.



# Meet our St. Paul Family



## ***Meet Lana and Layne Corbin***

Lana and Layne Corbin have been members of St. Paul since 1991. Lana has served as both a Deacon and an Elder and participated on the Nominating committee and the Children's Ministry committee for many years, serving as the Sunrise Elementary liaison. Lana also taught Sunday School for several years and accompanied children to Highlands Camp back when her children were middle schoolers.

They have two grown daughters, Megan and Lindsay. Lindsay was baptized at St. Paul in 1991. Megan was baptized in the Methodist church as an infant in 1989. Both girls are married and living out of state. While Lana and Layne have no grandchildren they do travel to Nebraska and Minnesota to care for the "grand pets" when the kids are out of town.

Lana and Layne are both long-term residents of Aurora, in fact living in the same 10-mile radius for over 60 years! They will be married 40 years in July. It's got to be fate, given their similar first names, the fact that they always lived very close by, lived in the same dorm at the University of Northern Colorado (although they didn't formally meet until after graduation a few years later). Both attended Aurora Public Schools, graduating the same year (1978) but from cross-town rival schools!

Lana was an elementary school teacher in APS for thirty years before retiring in 2012. She still works as a substitute teacher, but gets to choose where, when, and how often she wants to get out there! Layne worked for the City of Aurora in the Forestry Department for 30 plus years, also retiring in 2012. He may have even trimmed one of your trees at some point in time. Retiring early provided them the good (but sometimes difficult) fortune of helping their parents in their later years. Layne's parents have both passed, as has Lana's Dad. Lana's mom, Sharon Scholle started attending with Lana after her Dad died. Sharon has had her struggles and is currently rehabilitating after a few falls and will be moving into an assisted living community.

They own some property outside of Jefferson and love going there when the weather permits. They are currently waiting on some things to fall into place to put a cabin on the land. Activities they enjoy are kayaking, fishing, and just sitting on their porch checking out the wildlife (yes, even a few bear sightings!) When not at the property they love hanging out with family and friends, kayaking out at the Aurora Reservoir, and planning future endeavors. Layne is a drummer for the Whisky Dogs, and they play once or twice a month around town. Check out their website for schedules. Lana fills her time mostly with subbing and helping her mom. They have a few trips planned for the year, Florida, Minnesota, and Hawaii for their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

They feel very blessed with their lives and hope one day to split their time between their mountain home and somewhere near the water in the Pacific Northwest!

## LENTEN DINNERS SCHEDULE

Lenten dinners will be every Wednesday of Lent. 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.

**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.

## Snack Collection for Sunrise Elementary State Testing



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 gluten free options.

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.*



# Public Service Announcement

[Aurora puts \\$3.8 million refund from Broncos toward youth programs - CBS Colorado \(cbsnews.com\)](#)

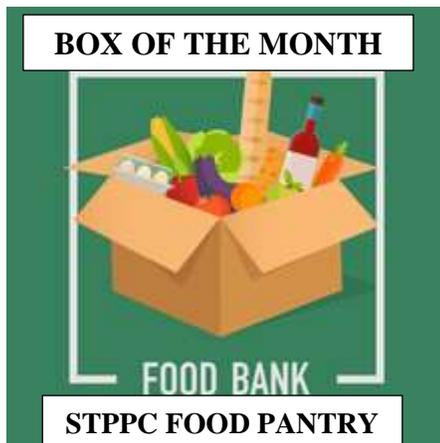
The sale of the Denver Broncos resulted in a \$41 million refund to metro area cities and counties that helped fund the stadium. In Aurora, the millions spent on kickoffs are going back to kids.

Aurora was awarded \$3.8 million, and it's being used for youth programs. The city's Community Engagement Division is seeking input on how the money should be used to impact its youngest residents. They're calling on parents and youth-serving professionals to share their ideas.

The city also wants to hear from kids.

**The deadline to provide input is March 31.**

**For questions, please email [engagecec@auroragov.org](mailto:engagecec@auroragov.org) or visit <https://bit.ly/3EOvVxv>.**

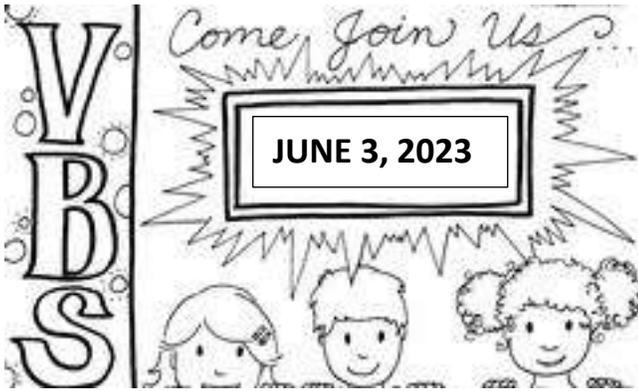


## **STPPC FOOD PANTRY BOX OF THE MONTH CLUB**

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 - \(stppc.org\)](#) mark the donation STPPC Food Pantry.



## Save the Date for Vacation Bible School

Saturday, June 3, 2023  
10:00 am to 4:00pm!  
Ages 5-14  
Bible Stories, Games, Crafts, Food

## STPPC Food Pantry

**STPPC Finances: February 28, 2023, account balance \$7,303.46.** The pantry is rolling in dough!!! Daily Bread Mission Partnership was awarded \$2,500 not just \$2,000 and that hasn't been deposited yet. The FBR grant lowered our cost for February. **Thank you** for your "Souper Bowl" donations. **Thank you** to the congregation for supporting the pantry.

Wow—so, February 20<sup>th</sup> order had **no rice**. March 6 order had **no pasta**. Kind of scary!

Only buying oatmeal—no cereal. Cereal comes in HUGE boxes with only 10 inside. Oatmeal comes in bags of 20—easy to store. Buying raisins to go with oatmeal. Oatmeal is healthier, anyway.



**Tuesday, February 28**, 40 boxes distributed. Had two ladies volunteer that just arrived from Russia (?). Great help and learned a lot. Enjoyed learning their story. Ask Michelle about our volunteers.

**Monday, March 6**, pick up of 1,841 pounds. Cost was \$372 because of \$1,009 left on FBR grant. Again, 50 bags packed of produce with carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, bananas and oranges. There are produce bags from Senior Boxes and eggs to distribute also. Tuesday will be a great day. Put Ellen to work packing produce bags. It was Cassie, Conrad, Dave, Ana, Stephen, and I unloading.

**Tuesday, March 7**, it was a cold distribution day. But Michelle, Mary, Carolyn, Emily and I forged on. Great haul—50 produce bags included carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, bananas, and oranges. There was bread and eggs to go along. Gave out 46 boxes.

**Check the bulletin board by the food pantry for the client newsletter. Lots of good resources for our clients and explanations about food purchases.**



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

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

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** 1 for the 21<sup>st</sup> and 2 for the 28<sup>th</sup> of March

**February volunteers:** Martin, Mary, Carolyn, Le, Setera, Michelle, Cleve, Louella, and Joann for distribution. Dave, Cassie, Conrad, and Shirley for delivery.

**January volunteers:** Joann, Mary, Michelle, Carolyn, Le, Martin, Cleve, and Emily for distribution. Dave, Cassie, Conrad, Ana, and Don for delivery.

**Sunday packing:** Sheridan's, Crownover's, Shirley, Peter, Louella, Hill's, Gilbert, Ken, and Jason.

More volunteers are needed to distribute and to pick up deliveries. Please use the signup above or contact Sue Shaw.

## BOXES

Just an FYI--Over a third of our clients return the boxes. It helps cut down on the costs of the food pantry. The signs on the boxes help remind them to return the boxes. Our cost for boxes is currently "zero".

Thank you for all the boxes but we have over 200 boxes in the pantry—the last donation of Girl Scout boxes ended up in recycle as we have too many boxes.



## WHAT IN THE WORLD IS PER CAPITA?..., WELL, HERE IT COMES AGAIN!

**PER CAPITA** is the annual amount St Paul obligates to Denver Presbytery to support the work and the many missions of our denomination. We certainly receive far more support from our Presbytery and PC (USA) than we ever provide in this annual offering. Direct grants from Denver Presbytery through the years have enabled us to maintain and improve our church facility, meet emergency repair needs (the flooding of this past year as an example) and provide for the ongoing needs of our greater community. Your **PER CAPITA** supports the programs, training, and resources that help us work together and discern the mind of Christ.

Your Session has authorized St Paul's **PER CAPITA** contribution of \$3,584 (\$32 for each of our 112 members) for 2023 in support of Denver Presbytery. Through February, almost 40% of our congregation have been able to contribute their portion of the **PER CAPITA** and, by doing so, they have freed up dollars of our operating budget for our ongoing work and missions of our congregation in the community...., and for that we thank you!

The \$32 amount **PER CAPITA** for each person is beyond any amount you may have pledged, and we respectfully ask, if you are able, to support this effort. **PER CAPITA** envelopes are available as you get your bulletins each Sunday or you may simply notate **PER CAPITA** on your check for the offering plates.

### MINISTRY OF MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

#### MARCH FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

**Sunday, March 12:** Regular Fellowship in our Fellowship Hall, immediately following worship.

**Friday, March 24:** Game & Craft Night. 6:30 pm - 8 pm in our Narthex.

**Sunday, March 26:** All church Potluck meal. We will meet in our Fellowship Hall, immediately following worship.

With all these events, you are always welcome to bring a food dish to share, as you are able. They provide an opportunity for us to fellowship together and get to know each other better. We look forward to seeing you soon!

## PRAYERS



**Erika Pepler** – a prayer of joy that her parents were able to visit.

Karl Graber – a prayer for his uncle, **Jim Graber**, who is undergoing chemo for lymphoma and has other underlying health problems.

Scott Carlson – a prayer of joy for **Captain Kaia Carlson** whose hockey team won the state championship.

Ellen Ingram - I am sad to report that **Tom Frerichs's sister** Sarahann Franklin succumbed to her many illnesses after a hospital stay of over a week. Please pray for Tom and the rest of the family and her friends. Her husband is not healthy himself so there are many difficult decisions to make.

**Louella Grgic's daughter** who lives in Florida is experiencing many difficulties with her high-risk pregnancy. Please pray that this baby stays healthy and makes it to a safe delivery date. Thanks,

Donna Layne - Her uncle (mother's brother) **Harry Mitchell** passed away February 6. Please pray for his wife Charlotte, their 4 children and extended family. They were married for 77 years. Pray for Donna who is unable to be with family at this sad time.

Erika Pepler – Update - **Alexis** made it through the transplant and has her new heart! They were able to close her chest and she has been fully awake for a couple days. They want her to rest a bit more but she is determined to start PT/OT ASAP!!! If I know Alexis, she is going to be on her feet & kicking butt, as soon as she can! This is an excellent start!

**Diane Snively** went home to be with Jesus on Friday morning. Diane had made the incredibly brave decision not to battle her illness any longer. Please continue to keep Diane's daughter, Linda, and the rest of her family in your prayers.

Michelle Girard - please pray for healing and patience for **Miss Emma** who is still ill, and her coughing is causing a lot of pain. She has missed a week of school so far and has missed many AP classes and an AP Midterm. If anyone remembers the stress of spring semester Junior year, add an extra prayer as her stress levels are way, way high, and the make-up work is going to be unbelievably difficult.

Ellen Ingram - Please pray for my brother **Elbie Mendenhall** who lives in WA. He was in a car accident this past week. All the airbags went off, but he was not injured. For some reason they cut the top of his Prius off to get him out. On the 10th of March he is having all his teeth removed because he has such severe gingivitis that he chose this solution. As soon as they are healed, he will have 5 stints put in his arteries and heart. Two weeks after that he will have a heart valve replacement. Current plans are to put the valve in through his veins. He had several heart issues before the accident. He lives sort of out of town and now has no vehicle to get to his appointments. Please pray for his health and wise decision making! I found out last night that Elbie is suffering from a rapid decline in thinking. The medical info has been consistent since December. However, his friends there do not know what happened yesterday, he arrived home in a taxi saying that the hospital paid for the ride. Please continue to pray for Elbie and his son Todd and friends as we try to figure out what has happened and how to provide the care he needs.

Kay and Lee Boteler – prayers for their **grandson, Bo**, who will begin the 2100-mile Appalachian Trail this week.

Emily Reh – prayers for the family of **Carol Anderson** who passed away last week after a short illness.

Emily Reh – for the family of **Mike and Liz Griffen**. Mike is a good friend of many years. His mom, JoAnn, passed away last week. Mike and his family were some of the first people the Reh's met after moving to CO.

Emily Reh – for **Kelly Hancock and family**. Kelly is a former member of St. Paul. Her father passed away last week.

Patrick and Rebekah Turvin – prayers of joy that their daughter **Lillianna** will turn 4 on Saturday. Lilli will have a heart Cath sometime next month. Pray she can get her VSD closed at this time and not need open heart surgery.

Cheryl Wetzel – A follow up on **Jolene**, who we've been praying for. Jolene awakened from her coma. She is processing what happened to her but has a long road to recovery. Prayers too for her husband Brad and their 4 young children.

## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Please plan to decorate the church for Easter. Print out this page and turn it in to the office or forms will be available at church.

*2023 Order Form*

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of flowers: \_\_\_\_\_



We will have Easter Flowers gracing our worship service Easter Morning. You are invited to offer flowers for the enhancement of our worship and to God's glory in memory or honor of a loved one. To do so, please complete this form, and attach payment of **\$10.00 per flower**.

Please indicate on your check that it is for flowers, then place your order and check in the offering, bring it in or mail it to the church office.

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for making our Easter worship services more beautiful!**

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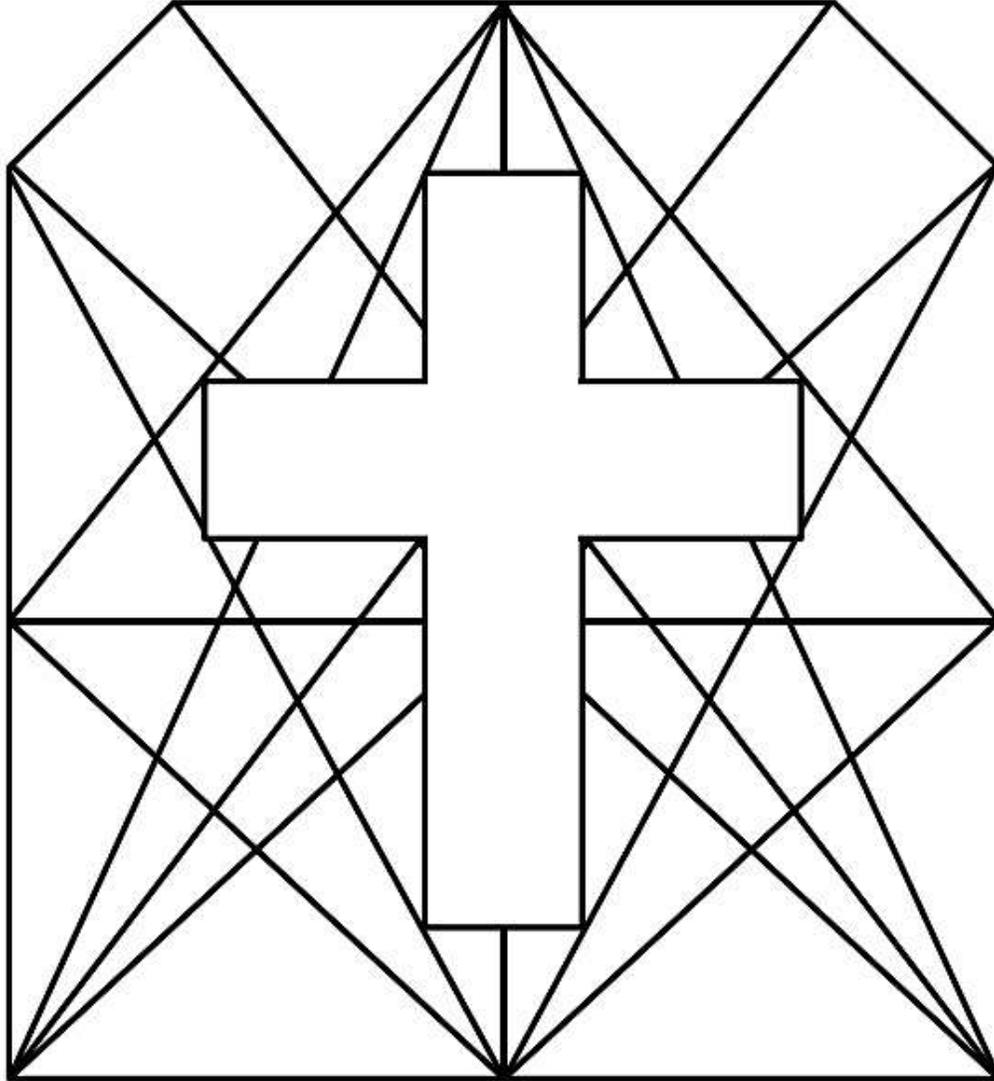
**When we come to removing the flowers after the season, do you want to:**

**Pick them up**       **Have the church determine their disposition**

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# My Lenten Prayer Stained Glass



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One of the main reasons we celebrate Lent is to prepare ourselves for Easter...and prayer is truly an amazing way to do that.

There are so many ways to use your prayer stained glass!

- Give each member of the family their own sheet. Each time a prayer is said, color a space. See which one is fully colored by Easter. (Mom & Dad - make sure you do one, too! Remember...you're setting the example. Besides, we could all use a little extra prayer in our life.)
- Share one sheet as a family and assign a color to each member. See which color appears the most - and who therefore offered the most prayers -once all the spaces are colored in.
- Color the spaces based on their size. If you offer up a "big" prayer, color a large space. If you offer up a small prayer, color a small space.
- ...what other ways can you think of?