

March 6, 2025



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 9, 2025

Sunday School for All Ages 9:00am

Worship: 10:15

Sunday March 16, 2025

Sunday School for All Ages 9:00am

Worship: 10:15



**Reminder for
Saturday
3/8!!**

News from Pastor:

My Dear Church Family,

For those of you who might like an opportunity to discuss how to navigate division and disconnection in the world and in the church, the following is a great opportunity. Please note that this event is from Friday afternoon, March 14th through Saturday afternoon, March 15th. Please note that it occurs at the same time as Game Night on Friday night and ends just prior to the memorial service for Michelle Girard's dad on Saturday. I will be slipping out of the event early. Please see me if you have any questions.

Pastor Kim

Reconnecting in a Divided & Disconnected World

In the wake of **COVID-19 and an increasingly tense political climate**, many church leaders are grappling with **disconnection, division, and uncertainty** in their congregations, in their families, in their presbyteries. We are living with cultural vertigo and trying to find connection. People are exhausted, communities feel fragmented, and meaningful engagement seems harder than ever.

As pastors and church leaders, how do we rebuild **trust, and deepen authentic connections** that nourish our communities and souls in a time when people are weary, overwhelmed, fearful, or disengaged?

Join us for Conspiring to Build Courageous Relationships, the Denver Presbytery Leadership Summit, where we'll explore:

- ◆ **Navigating Conflict & Division** – Move beyond tension and polarization.
- ◆ **Building Trust & Engagement** – Learn tools to connection in a fractured world.
- ◆ **Leading with Clarity & Resourcefulness**– Strengthen your leadership and your community in uncertain times.

This is more than a summit—it's a space to **reflect, grow, and find renewed purpose** in leading **faithful, connected communities**. It takes deep courage to connect in uncertainty. **You are not alone**. We can do this together.

COST and FOOD

Dinner will be available on Friday evening during the summit. A light breakfast Saturday morning and lunch Saturday. The cost for food, registration and presenters are subsidized by your per capita dollars. Our hope is the cost will not deter you from coming and experiencing this amazing summit. For those with food sensitivities or a limited budget, a "no meal" registration option is available.

ONLY \$40 per person! Limited budget or no meal option available for \$20 per person.

REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 7th!

Don't miss this amazing opportunity, register today!

go to denpres.org, scroll down to *Featured Events*, and click on

Conspiring to Build Courageous Relationships / Leadership Summit

Lenten and Easter Sermon Schedule – The Parables of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke

- March 9 – The first Sunday of Lent – Luke 10:25-42 (the Good Samaritan), Ps. 15
- March 16 – The Second Sunday of Lent - Luke 15:1-32 (parables of the lost sheep, lost coin, and lost son), Ps. 119:169-176
- March 23 – The Third Sunday of Lent - Luke 16:19-31 (the Rich man and Lazarus), Ps. 41:1-3
- March 30 – The Fourth Sunday of Lent - Luke 18:1-8 (the Widow and the Judge), Ps. 119:97-104
- April 6 – The Fifth Sunday of Lent – Luke 18:9-14 (the Pharisee and the Tax Collector), Ps. 65:1-5
- April 13 – Palm Sunday – Luke 19:29-44, Zech. 9:9
- April 20 – Easter Sunday – Luke 24:1-12, Ps. 118:1-2, 17-24

Would you like to do one of the Lenten Candle readings during Lent?

Each Sunday we begin the service with six purple candles lit, along with the Christ candle, representing each of the Sundays in Lent. Each week, along with a dramatic reading, we extinguish one of those candles until, on Maundy Thursday/Good Friday, we extinguish the Christ Candle. Each week we need 2 readers, although it can be more. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Kim or call the church office.

News from Session:

News from the Deacons:

News From Our Service Ministries:

[MINISTRY OF ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL \[MAP\]](#)

[MINISTRY OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS \[MBG\]](#)

MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION [MCE]



Volunteers needed!

Vacation Bible School is Saturday, May 31st
God's Amazing Universe

Please reach out to Gary or Victoria if you are willing to help in any way.

MINISTRY OF MEMBERSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP [MMF]

March Events:

SPRING FORWARD! 🕒 Sunday **March 9th!** **Don't be late to church, but if you are, still join us** following worship service. Join us for Coffee, Tea, Lemonade, and treats. 🍀

Friday **March 14:** Game & Craft Night. 6:30-8pm. Fellowship Hall. Bring a game and snack to share, or a craft project you are working on. Family Fun!



Sunday **March 23:** Potluck Luncheon, Fellowship Hall, immediately following worship service. Reminder to please use a 'Potluck Card' to indicate what your dish is, and allergies that may hinder members.

Thank you for an awesome BINGO Night in February!

Photos from Bingo night (February 22, 2025) Approximately 40 people had a fun time. Thank you to Michelle Girard for calling numbers and to her helpers which included: Jet, Apollo, Celeste, Sophie, and Rhonda. Thanks to everyone who helped clean up too! We were done before 9pm!



MINISTRY OF WORSHIP [MOW]

MINISTRY OF MISSION AND OUTREACH [MMO]

As we enter the season of Lent here is an additional resource for devotions and study as we approach the annual collection of the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering at Easter. The One Great Hour of Sharing Weekly Email.

During Lent, you can receive an email each week with Sunday Scripture passages from the revised common lectionary and a daily activity or simple reflection. You can use these intergenerational activities/reflections each day and can share them at mealtime with your family.

Make sure you are on this email list so you can take a moment each week to spend time reading and reflecting on God's Word and work in the world.

Sign up for One Great Hour of Sharing Weekly Emails here:

<https://pcusa.us14.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a3617d8799f77a05442289ad4&id=a54b3a778f>

MMO will be sharing more information about OGHS as the journey through Lent to the Cross progresses.

Stay tuned!



St Paul Presbyterian Church Food Pantry (part of MMO)

The STPPC Food Pantry is part of the **Denver Presbytery Mission Projects**. The *Daily Bread Mission* was created over 6 years ago. It involves our food pantry along with Good Shepherd Presbyterian, Covenant Presbyterian, and Westminster Presbyterian. *Daily Bread* meets quarterly and shares ideas on how to manage our pantries. When COVID hit, ideas were shared on how to manage drive-thru pantries. This mission partnership is **supported by a grant from Denver Presbytery**. Last year all members received \$2,500.

Link2Feed. Still working on getting Link2Feed correct. It is much faster, and our clients don't seem to mind it. **42 families were served last week.** (Different measure from the number of boxes previously used.)

Miscellaneous Notes: Thank you for supporting STPPC Food Pantry. Lord of the Hills Methodist church dropped off their Souper Bowl proceeds Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Please bring women's personal items, soap, shampoo, toothpaste and other items.

Still looking for someone to train at Food Bank of the Rockies on ordering and using Link2Feed. To sign up on Tuesday Distribution, click here: [FPGGroup: FP Volunteer Signup](#)

Thanks—Sue Shaw

Prayer Requests:



Remembering
Jon Michael McMullen

Memorial Service March 15
Aurora, CO

4PM ST. PAUL PRESBYTERIAN
18901 E HAMPDEN AVENUE

Celebration of Life July 12th
Moravia, NY

1PM 4334 STATE RT. 41A



Staying Connected

Streamed & Recorded Services:	https://stppc.org/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 stpaulnews.auroraco@gmail.com

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>



Offerings and Donations

You may mail a check to:	St. Paul Presbyterian Church 18901 E. Hampden Ave. Aurora, CO 80013
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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!	
We recommend calling before you come! We are not going to cover bad weather days and risk our volunteers driving and walking on ice.	

Newsletter Submissions

Submission Deadline	Publishes
Tuesday, March 18 at noon	Thursday, March 20
Tuesday, April 1, at noon	Thursday, April 3

Please send submissions to stpaulnews.auroraco@gmail.com

March Celebrations

If you have a birthday or anniversary in March we wish you the happiest of days!

<u>Happy Birthday</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>
Victoria Crownover	03/04
Lillianna Turvin	03/11
Tom Frerichs	03/15
Kevin Morin	03/19
Connor Girard	03/20
Judy Straayer	03/21
Matthew Babcock	03/21
Isabella Wairama	03/22
Anne Gordon	03/22
Theresa Harris	03/27
Jenna Fidler	03/28
Joann Goss	03/30
Karen Petty	03/31

<u>Happy Anniversary</u>	<u>Marriage Date</u>
Gary & Victoria Crownover	03/24

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 so we can make sure your birthday, anniversary, and other important information is recorded.

Refrigerator Reminder Page

Submit all calendar dates to office@stppc.org

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

THURS	3/6	6:30pm	Deacons
FRI	3/7		Office Closed
SAT	3/8		
SUN	3/9	9:00 am	Sunday School for all
		10:15 am	Worship
		11:30am	Fellowship (coffee and snacks)
		11:30am	Food pantry box packing
MON	3/10	9:30 am	Food Pantry Setup
TUE	3/11	10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		10:00 am	Prayer Shawls
		1:00 pm:	Agape
WED	3/12	6:00 pm	Lenten Dinner and Study
		7:00pm	Vocal choir
THURS	3/13	6:30 pm	Session Meeting
FRI	3/14		Office Closed
		6:30 pm	Game and Craft Night
SAT	3/15	4:00 pm	Memorial for Michelle Girard's Dad, Jon Michael McMullen
SUN	3/16	9:00 am	Sunday School for all ages
		10:15 am	Worship [Sanctuary & Live Stream]
		after worship	Food Pantry Box Packing
MON	3/17	9:30 am	Food Pantry Setup
TUE	3/18	10:00 am	Food Pantry [Fellowship Hall]
		Noon	St Paul News submission deadline [newsletter@stppc.org]
		1:00 pm	Agape
WED	3/19	6:00 pm	Lenten Dinner and Study
		7:00pm	Vocal Choir
THURS	3/20		St. Paul News publishes
		11:30 am	Elderberries