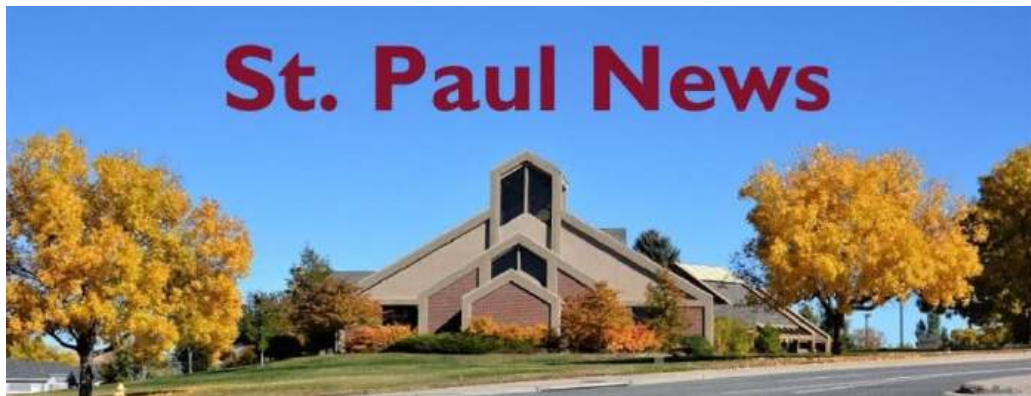


October 3, 2025



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, October 5

Sunday School for All Ages 9:00am

Worship: 10:30 for World Communion Sunday

Sunday, October 12

Sunday School for All Ages 9:00am

Worship: 10:15



Here are the St. Paul ladies last weekend at the Women's Retreat down in Colorado Springs at the Franciscan Retreat Center. It was a very nice showing and so nice to hang with Pastor Kim who is REALLY enjoying her retirement. Thanks, Michelle

Guest Ministers:

We have been so fortunate to have wonderful ministers providing pulpit supply these past three months. Thank you to them all!

Our ministers for October are:

- Oct 5 - Rev. John Yu
- Oct 12 - Rev. Jordan Shive
- Oct 19 - Rev. Joy Engelsman
- Oct 26 - Rev. Bill Sanders

Please welcome them warmly!

News from Session:

We are excited that the announcement for our Interim Pastor has been posted by Denver Presbytery. Our Interim Search Committee will be reviewing resumes as they come in. Please pray for discernment for the right candidate for St Paul.

News from the Deacons:

Our deacons are reaching out to you for joys and concerns monthly. Please respond to their phone calls and emails or give them a "thumbs up" or hug in church. They want to be of help to anyone who needs it, and a hug is an answer that says I'm good; how are you?

If you are interested in becoming a deacon in 2026, please talk with Judi Garvey, 303-257-9691. She is the deacon representative on the church's nominating committee.

News from the Office Angels:

Our Office Manager, Sirah, gave birth to Soriya Talia Faye Scott on September 17th. Soriya arrived at 7.15 lbs, 19.5 inches. Sirah had some complications and didn't get home from the hospital until Sunday the 21st. Sirah is doing better. Prayers for continued healing, sleep, and adjustments for the whole family.



News From Our Service Ministries:

MINISTRY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION [MCE]

Sunday, October 5th, we will have Sunday School at our regular time, 9:00am.



Won't You Be My Neighbor?

Intergenerational Sessions based on *Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood*

St Paul Youth (SPY) will be joining the adult class for an intergenerational opportunity inspired by Mr. Rogers. We expect to continue this joint venture one Sunday each month.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP [MOW]

October 2025 Ministry of Membership and Fellowship (MMF) and Ministry of Worship (MOW) event.

On Sunday, October 5th, we will be hosting a World Communion Potluck Luncheon in conjunction with True Light Church. For this special combined worship



service, please note that the worship will commence at 10:30 AM in our sanctuary. Immediately following the service, we will gather in our Fellowship Hall for our potluck luncheon.

If you are able to contribute a food dish, kindly label it with the country of origin, your name, the name of your dish, and an allergen card. Weather permitting, desserts will be

served on our outdoor patio, and corn hole and bubbles will be provided for enjoyment.

Our Fellowship Hall and Narthex dining tables will be decorated to reflect our diverse cultures. A signup sheet to host a decorated table is posted outside the kitchen door.

Please call Sheila Moskowitz for more information.

MINISTRY OF MISSION AND OUTREACH [MMO]

Late last week I received this request from Sunrise Elementary:

Hi Cleve,

I hope you are doing well! I wanted to reach out and ask if your community could start collecting gently used kids' and adults' winter jackets. I know you usually do the mitten tree in the winter, but the cold weather is going to sneak up on us fast and I'd love to be prepared.

We're looking for youth sizes XS (5)–14 and adult sizes S–XL. Ideally, puffy coats—not sweatshirts or hoodies.

Thank you so much for your continued support of the community!

Isabela Bernal she/her/hers
Community Liaison
Sunrise Elementary

In response, for anyone wishing to search their closets, or perhaps local thrift stores for gently used insulated garments in the sizes listed, we will collect the coats on the usual collection table in the narthex. We will collect items through Sunday October 12 and deliver them the following week.

Thanks for your help!
Ministry of Mission and Outreach

St Paul Presbyterian Church Food Pantry (part of MMO)

STPPC Food Pantry is no longer using SignUp Genius. Distribution on Tuesdays involves 5 to 8 people. SignUp Genius only allows 4 people to sign up. There is a whiteboard outside of the food pantry to sign up. Picking up loads every other Monday is also on the whiteboard. See Sue Shaw if you have questions.

STPPC Food Pantry Finances

As you know, STPPC Food Pantry is struggling financially. There is approximately \$8,000 available through the end of the year. Each order is about \$1,500 every other week. So, \$9,000 in orders expected through the end of the year.

An anonymous donor has offered to match up to \$500 in donations during the month of October. Just donate to the STPPC Food Pantry any amount—our donor will match it up to a total of \$500.

Other donation opportunities will be available in November for Thanksgiving and December for Reverse Advent. Your food donations are always appreciated. Our clients appreciate toilet paper, soap, salt/pepper, feminine sanitary supplies, and other miscellaneous items.

Prayer Requests:

- Michelle Girard's handbell friend, Mike Hausman's family. He passed away from stomach cancer. We lost another wonderful man.
- Connor Girard's partner's grandmother Nisha had a stroke. She is undergoing surgery in Chicago. Connor and Ayanna flew out to help the family.
Update: Thank you for continuing to pray for Nisha. She had 2 surgeries yesterday following her stroke, and another procedure. Connor just texted that she is doing ok right now and had some PT. Prayers for healing and peace for them all.
- Emma Girard went to Cyn and Doug Drivers' house last weekend for some R&R and TLC. Prayers of joy.
- From Lisa and Steve Morin: Prayers for Sam Levesque. Please continue to keep Sam in your prayers. He has been recovering from a bone infection and now they have found lesions on his kidneys. He just had surgery and needs prayers for a successful recovery. He is also fighting infections, so please pray for healing.
- From Kim Emery: Prayers for Wendy Jennings, a former roommate whose breast cancer has returned-now stage 4.
- From Joelle Brouner: As you are aware, I am privileged to be an Inquirer with the Presbytery of Denver, and I am currently taking a full-time class load. As costs rise and the status of my health insurance is uncertain, finding new work is necessary. I've been applying for quite some time (200+ applications since the end of 2023).

Finally, I'm getting some traction. I have interviews for four positions, two of which are part-time and two of which are full-time. Please pray that I am patient, that a door opens, and that if more than one door opens, I have the wisdom to make a good choice. It's a tough job market. I am grateful for the progress.

- From Ora Brown: Prayers for successful cataract surgery.
- From The Robertsons: Prayers for David Davis, a family friend. He has been told he has cancer all over his body and needs many prayers.
- From Lisa and Steve Morin: Prayers for Ron Lawhorn. Please continue to pray for him as he is going to have his leg amputated up to his knee.
- From Kathy Kling (Terry Murphy's daughter): Prayers for Terry Murphy, who was admitted to the hospital Sunday 9/21 for erratic blood pressure and other complications. He was discharged (Saturday) and I was monitoring him. Please pray for him. Update: We are back in the ER and they are admitting him again (Saturday Evening).
- From Gary Crownover: Please pray for all government employees during this time. Many of us are furloughed and are now threatened with mass firings as political retribution.

Staying Connected

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| 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 |
| 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 |

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

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| <p>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!</p> <p>We recommend calling before you come!</p> <p>We are not going to cover bad weather days and risk our volunteers driving and walking on ice.</p> | |

Newsletter Submissions

| Submission Deadline | Publishes |
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| Tuesday, October 14 at noon | Thursday, October 16 |
| Tuesday, October 28 at noon | Thursday, October 30 |
| <p>Please send submissions to stpaulnews.auroraco@gmail.com</p> | |

October Celebrations

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

| <u>Happy Birthday</u> | <u>Birth Date</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Debra Davis | 10/02 |
| Gary Childress | 10/02 |
| Alice Linsley | 10/07 |
| Christopher Ford | 10/09 |
| Sophie Crownover | 10/10 |
| Luke Hopkins | 10/26 |
| Bill Jones | 10/27 |
| Liz Ludchak | 10/27 |
| Katie Ford | 10/29 |
| Scott Carlson | 10/29 |

| <u>Happy Anniversary</u> | <u>Marriage Date</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Cheryl & Doug Wetzel | 10/28 |

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.