

# Weekly news & updates for St. Paul's

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## Lent



### Upcoming Events...

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**March 30** 12:00 NOON DAY Service  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

**March 30** 4:00 p.m. Lenten Study  
(In person) Common Room

**April 3** 9:00 a.m. Sunday Forum  
(In person) Common Room

**April 3** 10:00 a.m.  
Eucharist Service  
(In person/Zoom)  
Celebrant, Rev. Galles

**April 6** 12:00 NOON DAY Service  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

**April 6** 4:00 p.m. Lenten Study  
(In person) Common Room

**April 9** 9:30 a.m. Altar Guild  
Making of the Palm Crosses  
(In-person) Common Room

**April 10** 9:00 a.m. Sunday Forum  
(In person) Common Room

**April 10** Palm Sunday  
10:00 a.m.  
Eucharist Service

**April 14** Maundy Thursday  
5:30 p.m.  
(In person/Zoom)  
Celebrant, Rev. Galles

**April 15** Good Friday  
Noon  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

**April 16** Easter Eve Vigil  
TBA

**April 17** 9:00 a.m. Sunday Forum  
(In person) Common Room

**April 17** Easter Sunday  
10:00 a.m.  
Eucharist Service  
(In person/Zoom)  
Celebrant, Rev. Galles

**April 20** 12:00 NOON DAY Service  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

**April 20** 3:00 p.m.  
Outreach Committee  
(In-person) Common Room

**April 24** 10:00 a.m.  
Eucharist Service  
(In person/Zoom)

(In person/Zoom)  
Celebrant, Rev. Galles

**April 13** 12:00 NOON DAY Service  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

Celebrant, Rev. Galles

**April 27** 12:00 NOON DAY Service  
(In-person) Chapel  
601 Union Street

[Click here to visit St. Paul's website](#)

## Gather Us In

Coming to the woods' edge  
on a Sunday morning walk,  
I stand resting a moment beside  
a ragged half-dead wild plum  
in bloom, its perfume  
a moment enclosing me,  
and standing side by side  
with the old broken blooming tree  
I almost understand,  
I almost recognize as a friend  
the great impertinence of beauty  
that comes even to the dying,  
even to the fallen, without reason  
sweetening the air.



Wendell Berry  
[www.seekerschurch.org](http://www.seekerschurch.org)



**During this period of contemplation and repentance, may you find time to take care of yourself and remember that you belong to Christ. Join us in prayer throughout the season of Lent.**

[www.episcopalchurch.org/lent-resources](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/lent-resources)

[Visit this webpage to pray and share prayers with your network.](#)

**From our Committees...**



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## From the Fellowship Committee...

### EASTER BRUNCH

following the Easter Sunday service - April 17th.



**We are looking for side dishes, appetizers, desserts - all to go with a ham dinner.**

**There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who'd like to help.**

**All are invited - PLEASE COME!**

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## Neighborhood Team

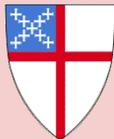
In July 2020 St. Paul's Episcopal Vestry made the decision to hire a part-time Evangelism Coach by the name of Rev. Gigi Siekkinen. Rev. Siekkinen was a part-time pastor at United Methodist Church in The Dalles, and her willingness to step into a new role was a starting point for the newly formed Neighborhood Team.



Rev. Siekkinen stayed in this role as Evangelism Coach until July of 2021, providing the guidance for a team of people who took part in some wonderful projects. The Neighborhood Team in 2021 provided the impetus to give Valentine's to residents in nursing homes, and assisted living facilities in February. Our neighborhood surrounding the church was also invited, the team received 4-5 contributions from our neighbors, with one neighbor calling this year about the status of giving out Valentines in 2022.

The Neighborhood Team provided thoughtful and inspirational projects in 2021. Following the Valentine giveaway, they did a seed giveaway the week before Easter. A few neighbors did stop by to pick-up seeds, and the team thought the first time give away of seeds was a project to consider doing again. A church and neighborhood-wide garage sale took place in July of 2020, where we had several tables from church members sell their wares, and one couple from the neighborhood sold items. This project was followed up with a Halloween "Trunk or Treat" in St. Paul's parking lot on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. The Halloween "Trunk or Treat" was a great success, due in large part, by the wonderful participation and creativity of the car trunks designed by the Neighborhood Team. It was great fun! And, because the "Trunk or Treat" started at 4:30 p.m., many young families brought their small children. Gateway Evangelical Church and Life in Christ Church also participated in the "Trunk or Treat" event.

The Neighborhood Team members are: Diane Adams, Julie Reynolds, Claire West, Alan Alford, Sean Kimsey, Karyn Hart, and newly added member, Libby Nelson. Alan Alford has offered to head-up the team for 2021. Let's continue to pray for their continued involvement and connection with our neighborhood surrounding St. Paul's.



NEW ARTICLE

## Episcopal News Service

Episcopal Migration Ministries prepares to welcome Ukrainian refugees in response to Biden plan

Click on link below to read article:

<https://www.episcopalnewsservice.org/2022/03/02/return-of-ashes-to-go-for-ash-wednesday-highlights-renewed-lenten-practices-as-covid-19-wanes/>

Episcopal News Service - Posted Mar 24, 2022

### Update from Ukraine from Anya and Michal Kawka

Submitted by Gretchen Kimsey

Click here to read full  
email...



Composer John Rutter pens new work after Ukraine  
invasion  
Click here to listen...

### Support for Ukraine

Please take a packet or two of sunflowers  
- located in the narthex of the church -  
and say a prayer for the people of Ukraine.

Please consider making a donation to

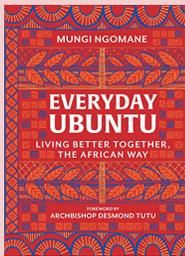
Click here to go to  
[EpiscopalRelief.org](https://www.episcopalrelief.org) to donate

support the Episcopal Relief Fund (ERD). You can donate directly through the website or through a donation to St. Paul's marked with "ERD-Ukraine".

Thank you and go plant some sunflowers!



## Study Groups



**Lenten study offered by Barbara Telfer and Heather Thompson  
March 9 though April 6 at 4 p.m. - Common Room**

"This book will open your eyes, mind and heart to a way of being in the world that will make our world a better and more caring one."- Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

Ubuntu is a Xhosa word originating from a South African philosophy that encapsulates all our aspirations about how to live life well, together. It is the belief in a universal human bond: I am only because you are. And it means that if you are able to see everyone as fully human, connected to you by their humanity, you will never be able to treat others as disposable or without worth. By embracing the philosophy of ubuntu and living it out in daily life it's possible to overcome division and be stronger together in a world where the wise build bridges, not walls.

## Sunday Forum

Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Common Room

**3.27.2022 Study  
Guide  
Love Lostness**





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## March Birthdays

- 13 Ron Clark
- 15 Sage Booren
- 17 Ned Kice
- 24 Kyle McCullough
- 26 Jill Durow
- 26 Khing Kimsey
- 30 Chuck Miller



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## **For your prayers...**

Ervin and Ray Schlichting, Gretchen Kimsey, Bill Ketchum, Glenis Schreffler and family, Christi McCarren, Megan and Hayden (sister and family of Kim McCullough), Heidi (John and Diane Adam's granddaughter), Skip & Carol Fisher, Bobbi Green, Melanie from Ascension, Mary who is suffering from ALS (a friend of Amy McIlvenna), Steve and Colleen Schafroth, Michael Hayes (Gretchen Kimsey's nephew suffering from colon cancer), Peter Russell (Jeanie Senior's nephew), Elen Thomas (Carolyn Thomas' granddaughter), Evelyn Nultemeier (Georgia Giacobbe's sister), Ken Schlieff, Harrison Richter, Pat Peickert (at the death of her grandson), relief from the Covid-19 virus spread throughout the community and country, the people of Ukraine, and our Nation. (3.14.2022)

Deb Huckle and the Huckle family as they grieve the loss of Ross, and comfort for Jan Newson as she grieves the death of her son, Jeffrey Miller, Mary Ellen, Laura and Carly Lowe as they grieve the loss of Cary, and Armand and Ruby Larive as they grieve the loss of their son, Andrew.

**For the departed:**

Jim Ramsey, Wanda Olsen, Ross Hucke, John Ringlbauer, Jeffrey Miller, Alice (John Langfeldt's sister), Cary Lowe, and Andrew Larive. (01.18.2022)

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**Donate to St. Paul's...**

**Fred Meyer  
Community Rewards Program**

**This program makes fundraising easy by donating to local organizations based on the shopping you do every day. Once you link your Card to an organization, all you have to do is shop at Fred Meyer and swipe your Shopper's Card.**

**St. Paul's has already received \$393 from this program!**

**Click [HERE](#) to see how the program works and to link your Fred Meyer card**



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*To submit articles, poems, recipes, or pictures  
for the weekly newsletter,  
please submit them by Wednesday.  
Some articles may be held over for the following issue  
due to immediacy and space.  
Your articles, etc. keep us smiling and feeling like a community.  
Thank you!  
Fiona-Church Secretary*

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