

Sunday, February 26	
Scripture Readings: Exodus 24:12-18 Psalm 99 Matthew 17:1-9	
7:45 am	Traditional Service-Church Bldg.
8:45 am	Contemporary Worship-Doar Hall
10:15 am	Sunday School
11:15 am	Traditional Service-Church Bldg.
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
12:00 pm	Leader Lift
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
Monday, February 27	
8:00 am	Centering Prayer
10:00 am	AA
10:30 am	Pastoral Care Team Meeting
7:00 pm	AA
Tuesday, February 28	
10:00 am	AA
6:15 pm	Alpha
6:30 pm	Cub Scout Pack 730
Wednesday, March 1:	
Ash Wednesday	
6:30 am	Ashes & HE- Church Bldg.
10:00 am	AA
12:00 pm	Ashes & HE- Church Bldg.
4:00 pm	Kids Choir
5:30 pm	Cursillo Reunion Group
7:00 pm	St. Paul's Choir
7:00 pm	Sr. High Youth Group
7:00 pm	Ashes & HE-Doar Hall

Thursday, March 2	
10:00 am	AA
11:00 am	Healing Prayer Service
11:30 am	Al-Anon
5:00 pm	Medical Outreach Center
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 2
Friday, March 3	
10:00 am	AA
7:00 pm	AA
Saturday, March 4	
8:00 am	Campus Cleanup
10:00 am	AA
4:00 pm	Family Oyster Roast
7:00 pm	AA
Sunday, March 5	
Scripture Readings: Genesis 3:1-15 Psalm 32 Matthew 4:1-11	
7:45 am	Traditional Service-Church Bldg.
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Lent: A Call to Fast and a Call to Help

By The Rev. Tripp Jeffords

The following words are from the prophet Joel in Chapter 1. They are the same words which we read on Ash Wednesday before our season of soul-searching and Lenten disciplines begin. The Bible says that "The word of the Lord came to Joel" thusly...

"Consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land to the house of the LORD your God, and cry out to the LORD. Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is near, and as destruction from the Almighty it comes."

The prophecy was for impending doom to come upon Judah due to her unfaithfulness to God. It is my desire for St. Paul's to "consecrate a fast" this Lenten Season. The reason for the fast? The disunity, anger, political polarization and growing immorality in our nation and in the world. The Devil would love to tear apart our families, churches and nation. Will you join me in fighting with prayer and fasting?

In the Bible, when serious evil needed to be uprooted, it was done through prayer AND fasting. David fasted. Joel and the Psalmists tell us to fast. Jesus encouraged his disciples to fast and pray.

Let me encourage you that on the other side of darkness there can come a glorious new day. Joel leaves us with this hope. Joel 2:28 says, "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh." That is my prayer for our families, churches and nation! Will you join me?

There are many suggestions on different types of fasts that can easily be found on the internet. I plan to fast from sundown on Thursday evenings until sundown on Friday evening. This helps me to reflect and mourn over the day on which my savior died. You may develop any plan you see fit.

Finally, I want to encourage you all to do something positive for the world with the money you did not spend on food due to your fast. Get your children involved also in prayer and alms giving too!

Bu Huge of our parish wants to encourage us with these words, "we can offer to the Lord our personal indulgences as an act of worship. Whether a favorite food, a whole meal, a cherished daily latte or a shopping habit, "pour it out" as an act of worship to the Lord. Read His word; listen for His voice; then step out in faithful obedience and press deeper into God's Kingdom.

During this Lenten Season, the Women's Ministry of St Paul's is encouraging everyone to fill a "Praise & Glory" jar as an act of worship in response to God's many good gifts to you. Look for answered prayers and special blessings. Recognize God's hand working "all things together for good" in your life and praise Him with thank offerings. All moneys collected will go to the *Martha Horne Scholarship, which provides funds for women who, for financial reasons, are unable to attend the Diocesan Women's Retreat.*

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Guests



WELCOME, We're glad you're here!

Date: _____

7:45 am 8:45 am 11:15 am

1st Time Guest New to Area

Looking for a church home

Regular Attending Non-Member

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I would like to receive email from St. Paul's

AGE

__13-19 __20's __30's __40's __50's __60's __70's+

CHILDREN IN ATTENDANCE

NAME _____

DOB _____

NAME _____

DOB _____

NAME _____

DOB _____

I would like more information about:

___ A new life in Christ

___ Membership at St. Paul's

___ LifeGroups

___ ALPHA

___ Other _____

PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS

If you would like your request concerning health, death, or other concerns to be added to our public prayer, please indicate by marking the box. All others will be put on the confidential prayer list for 3 weeks.

Place form in the offering plate or take to our Welcome Table to receive more information and a gift.

MEMBERS

Date: _____

7:45 am 8:45 am 11:15 am

NAME _____

SPOUSE _____

CHILDREN IN ATTENDANCE

NAME _____

NAME _____

NAME _____

CHANGES ONLY

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

I would like to receive emails from St. Paul's.

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Please place completed form in the offering plate or take to our Welcome Table. Anonymous comments will be discarded.

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS 843.873.1991

For more information, visit our website at www.StPaulsSummerville.org

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THIS MORNING

Welcome to St. Paul's! We hope to create an atmosphere in which everyone feels welcomed with open arms. Here is the information that you need to know for a successful morning of worship and Sunday School:

- **Worship as a Family (all ages):** At St. Paul's, we encourage families to worship together on Sunday mornings, therefore children in first grade and older will remain with their parents throughout the service. If you or your children are not used to this, please know that we understand and recognizing that it might take a few times to develop the routine. We're here to help, so don't hesitate to ask a priest or our Children's Minister about successful family worship. *If you need to take your children out of the service for a moment (we know, temper tantrums happen!), please feel free to:*
 - ☞ Doar Hall: go to the Atrium (to your left) or St. Paul's central (to your right)
 - ☞ The Church Building: go to the Family room behind the choir area (front left).In each of these locations you will be able to hear the service through speakers.

- **Kid's Church (3 years old through Kindergarten):** Children who wish to go to Kid's Church will leave the service after the Gospel is read and return for Holy Communion. While away, they will participate in a liturgy that mirrors that of the church service, including a Bible teaching at their level, song, prayers, and confession.

- **Nursery: Infant** (6 – 17 months) and **Toddler** (18 months – 3 years) are located on the first floor of the Children/Youth Building. Our experienced staff is CPR and First Aid certified and pagers are provided to notify parents if necessary.

Communion—anyone baptized in the Christian faith is welcome to receive communion this morning. **Please note:** the Communion elements consist of real wine and bread or wafers containing wheat. Please ask the bread server for gluten free wafers. Receiving one or the other is considered participating as fully as anyone who receives both.

All guests are invited to visit our **Welcome Table** after the service today. You will receive a gift and information about St. Paul's.

Giving—Cash and checks may be placed in the offering plates. We have electronic giving centers in Doar Hall for debit and credit cards. St. Paul's does not want anyone to incur debt in order to give to the Lord. We offer the electronic giving centers as a convenience.

Giving Envelopes—are available for your convenience. You may pick up a pack in the church office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Today

☞ **Sunday School:** Middle School is meeting in upstairs in the C/Y building (room C213), and High School is meeting with the adults for the prayer study.

☞ **Middle School Youth Group:** meets upstairs in the C/Y building, starts at 5pm!

This Week

☞ **Wednesday High School Youth Group:** will participate in Ash Wednesday (6:30pm) in Doar Hall followed by refreshments and fellowship in the Youth Room.

Important Upcoming Dates

☞ **Confirmation Spring Semester** start up is Sunday, March 26th!

For questions contact Korey Kincaid Youth Minister 785.215.3710

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha: Tuesday February 28 at 6:15

The second week of Alpha is this Tuesday. Come for a good meal, good fellowship, and a good word. Visit <http://www.summervillealpha.com/> for more information or to sign up. It is not too late to join.

Church Clean Up: Saturday March 4th from 8:00-12:00

Make sure to attend our cleanup day to help beautify the place you worship. More information is on the insert.

Annual Oyster Roast: Saturday March 4th from 4:00-7:00

Make sure to get your tickets for this family fun event with live music, corn hole, volleyball, bouncy castles, great food and more. Oyster tickets are \$25 and hot dog tickets are \$5. Everyone gets chili! The last day to purchase tickets before the event is this Tuesday, February 28th. Limited tickets will be available at the door for \$30.

Tree Church 5K: March 4th at 8:00 pm

Are you interested in running to help build churches in Kenya for communities who worship under trees? Christ Church is sponsoring this event. Visit <https://runsignup.com/Race/SC/MountPleasant/TreeChurch5k> for more information and to sign up.

Drink Beer for Kenya: March 5th from 6:00-9:00

Please join St. Timothy's as they are raising funds for a clean water project in Kisumu, Kenya, and is inviting the community to come to Homegrown Brewhouse. Entry is \$35 a person. It includes 2 specialty beers brewed exclusively for this event, tacos, live entertainment and trivia. Contact Gary Beson at gary@st-timothys.org if interested.

Movie Night: March 18, 2017 at 6:00 pm

There will be a Movie Night on the Plaza. Bring blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy a family friendly movie under the twilight! Vote for the movie on St. Paul's Facebook page.

GET INVOLVED

First Communion Classes

If your child is in 1st grade or older and would like to be involved in this class, please email tinas@stpaulsummerville.org to register. Classes will begin soon.

St. Paul's Tea Room and Gift Shop Needs YOU!

This year's Tea Room and Gift Shop, March 20-31 except Sunday, brings our entire parish together to support outreach programs and to share the love of Christ with our community and missions around the world. Every dollar of profit goes to worthy local and global ministries.

Whether you have a few minutes or many hours to offer, you can participate:

- ☞ Bake desserts at home for sale at the Tea Room
- ☞ Donate plants, handcrafts or other items to the Gift Shop
- ☞ Serve or bus tables, serve desserts, wash dishes
- ☞ Lend your sturdy card table
- ☞ Place a poster in your workplace or at a local business or school
- ☞ Come enjoy a meal, shop, and encourage others to do the same

For more information, visit the Sign-Up Table after the service

Sunday News Cover

To reserve a cover or if you have a submissions for the Sunday News please contact Shelley Fipps at ShelleyF@StPaulsSummerville.org

Women's Ministry Praise and Glory Jar

You can pick up the labels for the jars in the back of the Church Building or at a table during the outdoor