St. Paul's Episcopal Church

St. Paul's is an affirming and inclusive Christian community striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. All are welcome, no exceptions!



The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany February 3, 2019, 8:00 A.M. Rite I

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The Collect of the Day

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Priest The Lord be with you. **People** And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and in our time grant us thy peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(We sit to hear the lessons.)

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord."

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Psalm 71:1-6

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; * let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; * incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; * you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, * from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, * my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; * my praise shall be always of you.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Gospel Luke 4:21-30

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **People Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus read from the book of the prophet Isaiah, and began to say, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson

Household Prayer: Morning

God, you have given me the gift of another day; may I live it in gratitude. Help me to be loving to others, to Earth, and to myself; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Holy One, this day is drawing to an end. Be with me as I pause and ponder all the love I saw and received today. Help me to see you in each moment of love. Where I fell short of being patient and kind, help me to feel your patience and kindness toward me, and give me peace, as I give this day back to you. Amen.

A word about the Household Prayers:

These prayers are printed on a page of their own so that you can tear them out and use them in your devotions at home. These prayers come from an anthology titled *Feasting on the Word,* that includes several liturgies for services. The prayers and liturgies reflect the readings of the week, including special feast days.

For more information about St. Paul's

Go to our website, www.stpaulsdekalb.org - to hear the Sermons, Announcements, Schedules, Mars Hill Newsletter, etc. The Church of St. Paul is on Facebook and Twitter! Like our page and sign up to follow us to get the latest updates on what's going on!

St. Paul's is an affirming and inclusive Christian community!

Striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we! All are welcome, no exceptions!

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Prayers of the People: Book of Common Prayer, Form VI

Household Prayers. Long, K. B. (2013). *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year C.* Westminister John Knox Press: Louisville, Kentucky.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (Silence)

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors,

and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world; **People** For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless,

and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Jeff, our Diocesan Bishop,

and for all other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We

especially pray this week for Gail, Puzz, Joyce Kotvan, Chris Rogers, Zachary and the Jacobs family, Marilyn, Dorothy,

Margaret, Patty, Kathy, David, Doug, Clark, Myrna, Terry Costello,

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Alice Langer, and Rosemarie.

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

(The People may add their own thanksgivings.)

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in

your eternal kingdom.

(The People may add their own petitions.)

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Priest Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:

Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to

do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

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The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

(The Episcopal Church invites all Christians to receive communion.

The host is placed in your open hands; please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips, or dip the host in the wine. We have gluten free hosts available, ask the priest at the rail. It is acceptable to receive only the bread or the wine. If you would rather not receive communion, you are invited to come to the rail for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will say a prayer for you.)

Book Club

The Book Club/Discussion Group will meet Thursday, **February 7**th, 2019 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Feel free to brown bag your dinner/snack (or if so inclined, something to share. We are still discussing *An Altar in the World* by Barbara Brown Taylor. Currently, the agenda for upcoming discussions includes: Chapter 6, The Practice of Encountering Others – *Community*, Chapter 8, The Practice of Saying No – *Sabbath*, and Chapter 12, The Practice of Pronouncing Blessings – *Benediction*.

Food Pantry Collection is Next Week, February 10

Parishioners are reminded that next Sunday, February 10th, will be Food Pantry Sunday. Please place your donations in the baskets provided. No glass jars, please. **Contributions may be made at any time during the month, not just today.** We hope that everyone will participate, even in a small way.

A Member Note

Elizabeth "Puzz" George is back at OakCrest in the Nursing Wing. If you'd like to visit, mornings are best.

Communication!!!!!

There are a lot of things happening at St. Paul's! A new form has been developed so that the office can keep up with events and programs and be sure information is communicated to all who should know. In addition, the new Audio Video System in the Parish Hall has many capabilities for streaming, playing DVD's, slide shows, music, etc. To both ends, we are asking that you fill out a Communication and Tech Request Form for your events and email or turn it in to the office. Copies of the form will be available in the Parish Office and on the table in the Parish Hall. If you need help putting an announcement together, Susan is happy to assist.

Announcements

Welcome! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign our guest book. You are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.

A New Ministry

Please help us welcome two guest speakers to our 10:30 a.m. Service on today, Jennifer Tallitsch, Principal of Lincoln Elementary School, and Annette Forster, KHUSA Regional Director. They will introduce our new ministry, KidsHope USA, which has been approved by Mother Barbara and the Vestry. Our church has been selected to partner with Lincoln Elementary to provide mentors for students. Enjoy a light breakfast at coffee hour while viewing a brief KHUSA video. Our guest speakers will be available for Q&A.

SuperBowl Party

Today, **February 3rd**, 2019, St. Paul's will host a SuperBowl Party, beginning at 3:30 PM in the Parish Hall. Bring the neighbors, friends and family to watch the Big Game on our big TV. St. Paul's will provide sandwiches, coffee and pop, and bring a snack to share. There will be activities for the kids, and a Silent Auction Basket and Football Pool.

Rector's Discretionary Fund Collection Today

Donations allow us to assist people in need in our community. Checks can be written to "St. Paul's" with "Rector's Discretionary Fund" in the memo. Thank you for your contributions to this important ministry.

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The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

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Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church DeKalb, Illinois, Diocese of Chicago Member of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Sundays 8:00 AM (spoken service) 10:30 AM (with music)

Child care for infants & young children is available Sundays 9:15 A.M. – 11:45 A.M. in the Nursery.

Christian Education Classes

Sundays: Christian formation classes for all ages. Children meet in the St. Timothy Center, Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:15 AM Adult Formation meets in the Conference Room or Parish Hall

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Our Wardens and Vestry,

Marv Kombrink, Senior Warden, Pat Brown, Treasurer, Maureen Gerrity, Rebecca Smith, Terry Dickow, Donna de Oliveira

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This Week at St. Paul's

Today, Sunday, February 4, 2019, Fourth Sunday of the Epiphany					
The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary			
Nursery and Childcare Available	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.			
Choir Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall			
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary			
Coffee Hour and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall			
SuperBowl Party	3:30 P.M.	Parish Hall			

Flowers on the altar today are given by Dick Dowen In Memory of Sharon Dowen

This Week - February 3, 2019 through February 10, 2019					
Thu	Feb 7	Book Club	5:30 P.M.	Parish Hall	
		Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 P.M.	Sanctuary	
		Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M.	PH/Sanctuary	
Sun	Feb 10	The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary	
		Nursery/ Childcare 9:0	0-11:45 A.M.	St. TimothyCtr	
		Choral Anthem Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall	
		The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary	
		Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall	