St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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This Week at St. Paul's February 5- February 11

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"From the Office Chair"

Annual reports are due by <u>Saturday, February 10th.</u> Please email me your report in a WORD document. If you have any questions or concerns please email stpaulschurch201@gmail.com

Monday Contemplative Prayer and Noonday Prayer

Each Monday from 11:30 to 12:20 there will be Contemplative Prayer and Noonday prayer in the Sanctuary at St. Paul's. We will gather at 11:30, settle into Contemplative Prayer by 11:40 and begin Noonday Prayer at 12 noon. All are welcome to join at any time.

"TENS for 24 - Walk In Love!"

(i.e., "The Episcopal Network for Stewardship Theme for 2024 is Walk In Love!") (And we are catching up – this week Christmas, next week Epiphany, and we'll be ready for Lent!)

Love Came Down: A Christmas Reflection from -The Very Reverend Mark Strobel, Dean of Gethsemane Cathedral in Fargo, North Dakota.

"Love came down at Christmas... Love Incarnate, Love Divine."

Christina Rosetti's poem, set to music and sung by countless choirs during the Christmas season, echoes the love of God given to us in Jesus. "God's love was revealed among us in this way," says the letter of 1st John. "God sent the Son into the world so that we might live"

(1 John 4.9). We walk in love as Christ first loved us because Christ has set out the path of love for us to take.

This gift of love in Jesus is the source of our own love and giving at Christmas. The desire to give gifts to family and friends, and their desire to give to us, is a natural response to the love we have for one another. Our gifts become hints and glimpses of the greater selfgiving love of God that sustains us all. Even the smallest gift makes real and tangible the affection we have for one another, reveals and participates in the great and generous gift of God's Love Incarnate. "Love is our token," Rosetti says because love is given not just to us alone, but for the life of the world. Love Incarnate is the path for us to take in the church—self-giving love for others each day of our lives as natural response to the generous love of God.

Happening this Week

Monday 2/5:

9-5pm: Church office open

2-5:30pm: Voice & Piano Lessons *Chapel* 7-9pm: Singing Bowls Meditation *Chapel*

Tuesday 2/6:

2-6:45: Voice & Piano Lessons *Chapel* 2-6:45pm: String Lessons *Church* 5:30-7:30pm: Covenant Group *Great Room*

Wednesday 2/7:

9-5pm: Church office open

2-5pm: Voice & Piano Lessons *Chapel* 5-6:30pm: Tai Chi *Chapel* 2-6:30pm: String Lessons *Church* 7pm: Choir Practice *Church*

Thursday 2/8:

2-6:15: Voice & Piano Lessons Chapel

Friday 2/9:

9-5pm: Church Office open 1-3pm: Wisdom Circle *Chapel*

Saturday 2/10:

10:30-1:30pm: UP Wild *Chapel***Annual Reports Due**

Sunday 2/11:

10am: Choir Practice *Church* 10:30-12pm: Holy Eucharist *Church* 7-9pm: ACOA *Library*

Study of Church History at St. Paul's

Our Covenant Group/MST is launching into a survey on Church History. We will be watching and discussing two PBS Videos and discussing them and then doing deep dives into a few interesting periods of Church History.

To compliment this study, open it to all of us, and have some fun this Winter, Marna will be screening Dermaid McCulloch's *A History of Christianity: The First Three Thousand Years*. This is a series of six videos, each an hour long. The dates for screening are **February 13th, February 27th, March 12th, April 9th, and April 23rd**. Screening will happen downstairs in the Great Room and Popcorn will be provided

LITURGY PLANNING FOR EVERYONE!

The next time that we are gathering to plan Liturgy will be Monday, February 19th at 12:30pm in the Conference Room. We will be planning Holy Week Liturgies, including Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil, and Easter Morning Liturgies. We are still deciding on what to do on these days, so if you have some ideas, something that you would like to see happen, come to the meeting. If you have some ideas and thoughts and cannot make the meeting, be sure to email Marna at marna@upepiscopal.org or call her at 906-458-6395.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner at St. John's in Negaunee

St. Paul's is invited to a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at St. John's in Negaunee. Supper will include all the regular things one might expect along with some games to play and other frivolity! The time for the dinner is from 5pm to 7pm. No tickets are needed to attend, but a free-will offering is suggested. Hope that many folks from St. Paul's will come along!



Shrove Tuesday



Think Scrip!

A smaller congregation at St. Paul's has led to a smaller participation in the scrip program. This program has contributed over \$10,000 to St. Paul's during the last 11 years and we would like to continue to give financial support. But we need your help to make this happen! Please "Think Scrip" when you are purchasing groceries, gas, gifts and eating at restaurants.

Questions?

Call Ann Smith at 906 249-9389 or Barb Carpenter at 906 362-3875

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