



Welcome to St. Paul's United Methodist Church.  
No matter who you are, or where you are  
on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Sunday, March 1, 2020

**St. Paul's**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Rochester, Michigan

## 9 a.m. Worship Service

**Gathering Song**

**Welcome, Opening Prayer, and Exchange of Greeting**

**Singing Together**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**(Children may leave for Sunday school)**

**Taking the Next Step Giving Story**

**Prayer Time**

**Offering**

**Scripture Lesson**      Matthew 4:1-11

**Message**                      **Where Do We Start?**                                      Rev. David Eardley

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Singing Together**

**Blessing**

## Sunday Morning Schedule

### 9 & 11 a.m.

Worship..... Sanctuary & Hickey Hall  
Infant Nursery ..... Room 115  
Toddlers and 4 -year-olds.....Rooms 116-117

### 9:15 & 11:15 a.m. - Sunday school

Preschool - 1st Grade .....Room 126  
2nd and 3rd Grade ..... Room 125  
4th and 5th Grade ..... Room 124

### 10 a.m. - Impact

6th-12th Grade .....the Lounge

### 10 a.m. - Childcare

Infant Nursery .....Room 115  
Toddlers - 4-year-olds ..... Rooms 116-117

### 10 a.m. - Ignite

K-5th Grade .....Rooms 122/123

### 10 a.m. - Adult Sunday school

Open Hearts Class..... Room 128-129  
Faith & Friends ..... Room 132  
Family Life..... Rickard Chapel

## Contact Us

### St. Paul's United Methodist Church

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Rev. David Eardley, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Erin Fitzgerald, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Carter M. Grimmett, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Rick Kress, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Judith May, Associate Pastor



A Stephen Ministry Congregation  
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Dr. Wm. Jean Randall, Director of Music  
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Amy Heitman, Director of Children's Ministry  
Jodi Stuermer, Director of Youth Ministry



**Altar flowers** are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Judy's parents, Ed & Margie Schnell, sister, Betty Hart, and John's parents, James and Wilma Stone, by Judy and John Stone.

**Head ushers** are Rick McDonald (9 a.m.) and Gail Hosner (11 a.m.)

## This Week's Calendar

### Sunday, March 1

5 p.m. .... Confirmation ..... Room 128-129  
 5 p.m. .... Middle & Sr. High Youth..... Hickey Hall

### Monday, March 2

1 p.m. .... Seekers Study .....Room 132  
 6 p.m. .... FISH Committee.....Room 132  
 7 p.m. .... Mission Council..... Parlor  
 7 p.m. .... Women's LIFE.....Room 122  
 7 p.m. .... Boy Scout Troop 123 .....Room 122-123  
 7 p.m. .... Fisch Small Group Study ..... Hickey Hall

### Tuesday, March 3

9 a.m. .... Clergy Meeting ..... Rev. Eardley's Office  
 9:30 a.m. .... Program Staff Meeting ..... Rev. Eardley's Office  
 10:30 a.m. .... Full Staff Meeting ..... Parlor  
 2 p.m. .... Chair Yoga.....Rickard Chapel  
 2 p.m. .... Alcoholics Anonymous .....Room 123  
 7 p.m. .... Yoga..... Hickey Hall Hallway  
 7 p.m. .... Scout Troop 456 .....Room 122-123  
 7 p.m. .... Rochester High School Concert ..... Sanctuary  
 7 p.m. .... Swisher Small Group .....Rickard Chapel

### Wednesday, March 4

7 a.m. .... Rotary Meeting ..... Room 128-129  
 10 a.m. .... Lenten Prayer Breakfast .....Rickard Chapel  
 1 p.m. .... Staff Small Group Study ..... Parlor  
 6:15 p.m. .... Open Door Planning Meeting ..... Parlor  
 6:30 p.m. .... Sandcastles..... Hickey Hall  
 7 p.m. .... Program Council .....Rickard Chapel  
 7 p.m. .... Epworth Choir..... Room 128 - 129  
 7:30 p.m. .... Chancel Choir.....Music Room

### Thursday, March 5

6:15 p.m. .... Praise Band .....Music Room  
 6:30 p.m. .... Cub Scouts.....Room 125-127  
 7 p.m. .... Cancer Support Group ..... Room 132  
 7:30 p.m. .... Wesley Ringers.....Bell Room

### Friday, March 6

9:30 a.m. .... Women's LIFE..... Parlor  
 2 p.m. .... Alcoholics Anonymous .....Room 123

### Saturday, March 7

9:30 a.m. .... Caregiver's Support Group.....Room 132  
 10 a.m. .... Alcoholics Anonymous .....Rooms 122-123  
 10 a.m. .... Open Door Rehearsal ..... Hickey Hall

## Today at St. Paul's

### Holy Communion

#### March 1 at 9 & 11 a.m. Worship Services

The sacrament of Holy Communion celebrates the presence of Christ and helps us find strength for Christian living. In the United Methodist Church, communion is open to all who intend to lead a Christian life.

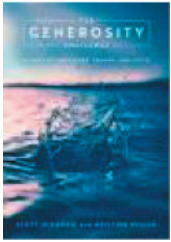


### Taking the Next Step

In March, we'll be taking not only a financial journey but a faith journey as well. Jesus didn't separate the two. In fact, he paired faith with finances countless times throughout his short ministry. We

hope you'll join us for our 28-day devotion called A Generous Life. We also hope you'll join us in praying, "God, where do you want me to be in my giving?"

## Coming Up at St. Paul's



### Small Group Study

Try something new in 2020 and join one of our The Generosity Challenge small groups. The focus of this 4-week study will be on 28 Days of Gratitude, Prayer, and Faith. Study books are available for \$10. Sign-up on Sunday mornings as a participant or small group leader for groups meeting on Sunday mornings, Tuesday afternoon and evening, and Thursday evening. We'd love to have you join us in a small group! Please contact Rev. David Eardley at [DEardley@stpaulsrochester.org](mailto:DEardley@stpaulsrochester.org) for more information.

### The Prayer Connection

Sundays, March 1 - April 5

Following Services in Narthex and outside Hickey Hall

Are there times following Sunday services that you're looking for a deeper prayer connection? Beginning March 1 and continuing through Lent, the Prayer Connection team will welcome you for a brief confidential prayer upon request. After services, two trained Lay persons of Stephen Ministry and/or Emmaus Disciples will meet you in the Narthex by the Tree of Life Windows, and outside of Hickey Hall in the corner by the Stained Glass window of Communion with Our Savior. For more information, contact the church office at 248-651-9361 or ask a pastor.



### Seeker's Study

Mondays, March 2 - April 6, 1 - 2:30 p.m. in Room 132

Join us during the six weeks of Lent as we ponder the themes of grace, justice, poverty, revolution, love and hope. Each of these themes is represented by a character in Victor Hugo's *Les Misérables*. The author of *The Grace of Les Misérables*, Matt Rawle, draws parallels between the iconic story and our Christian calling, inspiring us to both understand our faith and live it out in the world. If you would like a book, please contact Rev. May at [JMay@stpaulsrochester.org](mailto:JMay@stpaulsrochester.org). Everyone is welcome!

### Lenten Breakfast

Wednesday, March 4, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Rickard Chapel

Join St. Paul's United Methodist Women for the 56th Annual Lenten Breakfast. There will be food for mind, body and spirit, as we enjoy a continental breakfast, a program by Rev. Judy May and time of prayer and reflection with music provided by Betty Curtis. Come and find peace in the midst of a chaotic world. Please RSVP to 248-651-9361. \*Childcare is available by reservation



### High School Youth

Lock In/Rock-a-thon Fundraiser

Saturday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. through Sunday, March 15 at 12:30 p.m.

Challenge: Stay up all night with your friends enjoying games, service projects, food and fun while raising money for our Youth Work trip. No need to be attending work trip to join us. All high schoolers are welcome!



### St. Paul's Preschool

Registration for Fall 2020

Young 3's class: T & Th from 9 a.m. to noon

3's class: M, W, F from 9 a.m. to noon

4's class: M - F from 9 a.m. to noon

Applications available online or in church office.

St. Paul's provides high-quality learning with emphasis on the individuality of each child. Our certified teaching staff will engage your child in hands-on experiences and exploration activities that nurture their basic developmental needs: physical, language, cognitive, social, and emotional.

Email us today at [preschool@stpaulsrochester.org](mailto:preschool@stpaulsrochester.org) to save a spot for your child. See our website at [stpaulsrochester.org/preschool/](http://stpaulsrochester.org/preschool/).

# 11 a.m. Worship Service

**Prelude** Were You There? (Taylor)

**Announcements, and Exchange of Greeting**

**Chimes**

**\*Processional Hymn** I Come With Joy **#617+**

**Opening Prayer** *Walk with us faithful traveler, as we journey with Christ through the season of Lent. Help us overcome the temptations we face each and every day. Save us from the time of trial, and send Your angels to minister to us in times of weakness. Renew us through the gift of Your Spirit and the love of Your Son. Amen.*

**Silent Prayers of Confession and Intercession**

**Words of Assurance (Leader)**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**#895**

**Response** *Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us power, send us grace.* **#2193** (Black Hymnal)

**(Children may leave for Sunday school)**

**Taking the Next Step Giving Story**

**\*Psalter** Psalm 32 **#766**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version **#881**

**\*Gloria Patri** *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.* **#71**

**\*Hymn** Jesus, Tempted in the Desert **#2105** (Black Hymnal)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Response** *Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!  
That calls me from a world of care.  
And bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known* **#496**

**Offertory** The Lone Wild Bird (Johnson) Chancel Choir

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above,  
ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.* **#95**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Response** *Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless thou  
the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith,  
the will, the thought; the rest, O God, is in thy hand.* **#587**

**\*Scripture Lesson** Matthew 4:1-11

**Response** Leader: *This is the word of the Lord.*  
People: *Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon** **Where Do We Start?** **Rev. David Eardley**

**Sacrament of Holy Communion** **Musical Setting D # 23-24**

**Communion Anthem** Lamb of God (Paris) Chancel Choir

**\*Recessional Hymn** Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days **#269**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Response** *Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with  
joy and peace, let us each, thy love possessing, triumph  
in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling  
through the wilderness.* **#671**

**\*Chimes**

**\*Postlude** O Sacred Head Now Wounded (Bach)

**\*Please stand as you are able**

**†All hymns are found in the red hymnal, unless otherwise stated.**