

# SAINT PAUL AME CHURCH — ONLINE WORSHIP

## THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, March 29, 2020 – 11am

• *The Fifth Sunday in Lent* •

### The Welcome and Announcements

#### The Call to Worship

**Leader:** I was glad when they said to me, let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.  
(Psalm 122: 1-2)

**People:** **For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**  
(Psalm 84:10)

**Leader:** Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.  
(Psalm 122:9)

**People:** **Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God.**  
(Psalm 92:13)

**Leader:** Blessed are they that dwell in thy house. Lord, I have loved thy habitation, the place where thy honor dwelleth.  
(Psalm 26:8)

**People:** **For the Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him.**  
(Habakkuk 2:20)

**Leader:** Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight. O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.  
(Psalm 19:14)

**People:** **O sing unto the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises.**  
(Psalm 98:1,4)

#### The Worship Hymn

*AME Hymnal #351*

***“I Once Was Lost in Sin (Just A Little Talk with Jesus)”***

*1. I once was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in,  
And then a little light from heaven filled my soul;  
It bathed my heart in love, and wrote my name above,  
And just a little talk with Jesus made me whole.*

*-Refrain-*

*(Now let us) Have a little talk with Jesus, (Let us) tell Him all about our troubles,  
(He will) Hear our faintest cry, (And He will) answer by and by;  
(Now when you) Feel a little prayer wheel turning, (And you) know a little fire is burning,  
(You will) Find a little talk with Jesus makes it right.*

*2. Sometimes my path seems drear, without a ray of cheer,  
And then a cloud of doubt may hide the light of day;  
The mists of sin may rise and hide the starry skies,  
But just a little talk with Jesus clears the way. [Refrain]*

*3. I may have doubts and fears, my eyes be filled with tears,  
But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night;  
I go to Him in prayer, He knows my every care,  
And just a little talk with Jesus makes it right. [Refrain]*

#### The Worship Prayer

*Followed by, The Lord’s Prayer, In Unison*

Now a man named Lazarus was sick. He was from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> (This Mary, whose brother Lazarus now lay sick, was the same one who poured perfume on the Lord and wiped his feet with her hair.) <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent word to Jesus, "Lord, the one you love is sick."

<sup>4</sup> When he heard this, Jesus said, "This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it." <sup>5</sup> Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. <sup>6</sup> So when he heard that Lazarus was sick, he stayed where he was two more days, <sup>7</sup> and then he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea."

<sup>8</sup> "But Rabbi," they said, "a short while ago the Jews there tried to stone you, and yet you are going back?"

<sup>9</sup> Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Anyone who walks in the daytime will not stumble, for they see by this world's light. <sup>10</sup> It is when a person walks at night that they stumble, for they have no light."

<sup>11</sup> After he had said this, he went on to tell them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I am going there to wake him up."

<sup>12</sup> His disciples replied, "Lord, if he sleeps, he will get better." <sup>13</sup> Jesus had been speaking of his death, but his disciples thought he meant natural sleep.

<sup>14</sup> So then he told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead, <sup>15</sup> and for your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

<sup>16</sup> Then Thomas (also known as Didymus) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

<sup>17</sup> On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, <sup>19</sup> and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. <sup>20</sup> When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

<sup>21</sup> "Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."

<sup>23</sup> Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

<sup>24</sup> Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

<sup>25</sup> Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; <sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

<sup>27</sup> "Yes, Lord," she replied, "I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

<sup>28</sup> After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. "The Teacher is here," she said, "and is asking for you." <sup>29</sup> When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. <sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. <sup>31</sup> When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.

<sup>32</sup> When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."

<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. <sup>34</sup> "Where have you laid him?" he asked.

"Come and see, Lord," they replied.

<sup>35</sup> Jesus wept.

<sup>36</sup> Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

<sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup> Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup> "Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

<sup>40</sup> Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

<sup>43</sup> When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

<sup>45</sup> Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

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## The Decalogue

Leader: Let us express our commitment to keep God's law.

People: **God of our salvation, only you are God. We will make no idols. We will not invoke with malice your name O God. We will remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. We will honor our father and our mother. We will not commit murder or slander. We will not commit adultery. We will not steal. We will not be false witnesses. We will not covet anything that belongs to our neighbor.**

Leader: Hear what Christ our Savior says: "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And the second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

## The Gloria Patri

**AMEC Hymnal #628**

*"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."*

## The Sermon

## The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

## The Altar Call

Pastor: "Lord in Your Mercy..." ✠ People: "...Hear Our Prayer"

## The Offering

**1 Chronicles 29:14; AMEC Hymnal #644**

*"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own, have we given thee. Amen."*

## The Final Remarks

### The Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostle's Creed*

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day He arose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.*

## The Closing Hymn

**AME Hymnal #522**

***"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"***

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

## The Benediction

# THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 20, 2020

## TEACHING MOMENTS

### Next Week's Scripture Lessons and ONLINE Connection Details:

#### **Palm/Passion Sunday:**

**Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 • Matthew 21:1-11 • Isaiah 50:4-9a • Psalm 31:9-16 • Philippians 2:5-11  
Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54**

- Facebook Live-Stream – [www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles](http://www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles)
- Conference Call (to Listen-In) – (425) 436-6260, Access Code: 2913187#
  - *You are automatically muted, but please mute your phones so you don't disturb others*
- ZOOM (Video Conference or Conference Call) – <https://zoom.us/j/170841778>
  - *Or, call (929) 205-6099 or (312) 626-6799*
  - Zoom Meeting ID for 9:30am SPV Worship Only: 170 841 778
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#### **Church School ONLINE – 8:00 am Every Sunday**

- Facebook Live-Stream – [www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles](http://www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles)
- Conference Call (to Listen-In) – (425) 436-6260, Access Code: 2913187#
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- ZOOM (Video Conference or Conference Call) – <https://zoom.us/j/535400285>
  - *Or, call (929) 205-6099 or (312) 626-6799*
  - Zoom Meeting ID for SPV Sunday School Only: 535 400 285
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#### **Prayer Meeting & Bible Study ONLINE –Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.**

- Facebook Live-Stream – [www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles](http://www.facebook.com/stpaulameversailles)
- Conference Call (to Listen-In) – (425) 436-6260, Access Code: 2913187#
  - *You are automatically muted, but please mute your phones so you don't disturb others*
- ZOOM (Video Conference or Conference Call) – <https://zoom.us/j/809097857>
  - *Or, call (929) 205-6099 or (312) 626-6799*
  - Zoom Meeting ID for SPV Prayer Meeting and Bible Study Online Only: 809 097 857
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## MONTHLY MINISTRY MEETINGS

- Current In-Person, Face-to-Face, Meetings are Postponed until Further notice.

## CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

- Special Thanks to all the Angels of Saint Paul who have done, and are doing, and going to do, Angelic things! BLESS YOU!!!
- Choir Rehearsal – Postponed until further notice.
- YPD – Postponed until further notice.
- **Our Celebration with Saint Matthew Midway will be rescheduled.**
- **Our Church Anniversary, including our afternoon program, will be rescheduled.**

## REMINDERS

- Please be reminded that the taxation for Church Anniversary of **\$171.00** is payable throughout the year and should be earmarked on your offering envelope as **CA171**.
- Conference Claims per member per month is **\$15.00/\$180.00** per year. Please pay monthly to help meet our Conference assessments.
- The Seed Sowers Project is an ongoing project for the building fund of the church. Sow a seed and watch it grow. Mark on your envelope as "Seed". For more information contact Sis. Geraldine Brown.
- Mass and Men's Choir: Please be reminded of your monthly choir dues of \$10.00 per member per month. Also be reminded that Mass Choir rehearsal is every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. unless notified otherwise.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED.

### Calling Post

If you're not part of our Calling Post, then please text or email the Pastor using his contact information on the front of the bulletin. Give him your name, phone number and email address, and we'll make sure you are kept in the loop! *The Calling Post comes on your caller-id as "Oklahoma City", phone number (405) 308-4474, so please add that to your contacts as "The Calling Post". Thank you!!!*

Sunday School, Sunday Worship and Pastor's Wednesday Bible Study Call in: 425-436-6260; Access Code: 2913187#. Please mute your phone so others can't hear you or what's going on around you. Thank you!! For Sunday School, call in about 7:55 a.m., start promptly at 8:00 a.m.; For Sunday Worship, call in about 9:25 a.m., start promptly at 9:30 a.m.; For Pastor's Wednesday Bible Study, call in about 6:55 p.m., start promptly at 7:00 p.m.

- Visit our Saint Paul website to "worship in giving" digitally (visit [spvame.com](http://spvame.com) and you will see the link for "Offerings"), get a copy of our Sunday Bulletin, or see our church calendar.

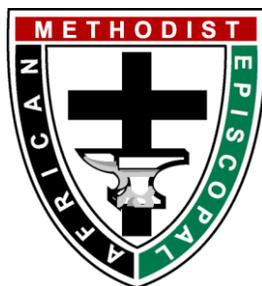
## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Ellis Collins	March 3
Phyllis Dockies	March 9
Candice Kirtley	March 16
LaMichelle Haddix	March 17
Yvonne Wilson	March 17
Channing Carter	March 22
Myrtle Granville	March 23
Trumell Ikard	March 25
Domonique Kirtley	March 29

## OUR SICK & SHUT-IN

Armenta Chase	Richard Kirtley, Jr.
Christine Collins	Norman Morton
Lorie Dale	Betty Moseley
Phyllis Dockies	Odes Nash
Lewis Givens	Thomas Parrish, Jr.
Damon Greene	Mona Amburgey Romaine
Jacqueline Greenlee	Rev. James E. Smith
Rev. Frederick E. Hale	Renee Scott Smith
Pearl C. Higgins	Russell Thornton
Kenneth Howard	Frances Walker
Mildred Jones	Anna Williams
The Family of Allie Johnson	Cora & Nikaleigh Pennie

*Please remember the sick and shut-ins in your prayers. Call, send a card, and let them know you care. Also keep in prayer the families of the bereaved throughout our community and area.*



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GOD OUR FATHER ~ CHRIST OUR REDEEMER ~ THE HOLY SPIRIT OUR COMFORTER ~ HUMANKIND OUR FAMILY

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