March 6, 2022 ~ 1st Sunday in Lent

Welcome and Announcements ~ Chery Nicholas

Prelude ~ "Softly and Tenderly" (arr. Hayes) ~ Leigh Emmett

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: God walks with us throughout our lives.

People: Whether we are in times of joy or times of distress, God is present.

Leader: Though we wrestle with temptation in our lives,

People: Christ leads us and shows us the way through. Amen.

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #643 ~"Now Thank We All Our God"

Procession of the Cross and the Elements of Communion

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Holy God, we love you and we are trying to follow you. Forgive us for the times when we have turned to temptation and selfishness instead of to your love and grace. Renew us with your love. Amen. (A time of silent, personal prayer)

Responsive Chorus #551 ~ "Lord, Have Mercy"

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Offering Prayer

*Doxology #606 ~ "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (Traditional)

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.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Special Music ~ Katie Achterhof

Christian Scripture ~ Luke 4:1-13

Message ~ "The Temptations"

*Hymn #443 ~ "There Is a Redeemer"

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation #184 ~ "Calm to the Waves"

Calm to the waves. Calm to the wind. Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still." Balm to our hearts. Fears at an end. In stillness, hear his voice.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ~ responsive

Leader: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

"All Belong Here" ~ (L. Rand/H. Rand) as recorded by The Many

Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.

Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.

At this table come as you are, broken and bleeding's ok.

At this table eat and be filled, come and drink in this grace.

Come and remember who you are here. Do this to remember who I am.

Come and remember you belong here. All belong here.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn #175 ~ "Seek Ye First"

*Benediction

*Response #458 ~ "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Postlude ~ "Rejoice, the Lord is King!" (arr. Berry)

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From Kathy Potter... "Thank you to all who participated in the **ROMANS** event last Sunday! We had a delicious meal prepared & generously donated by Bill & Kathy VanEck. We prepared 825 utensil/condiment packets for Crossroads Soup Kitchen!! Keep those served by Crossroads and the staff in your prayers."

And speaking of Crossroads...

CAN St. Paul's help with another request from Crossroads? Of course we CAN!!

The request for the **month of March** is to collect **CANNED** meat products of **any** kind (think SPAM!) and basic manual (non-electric) **CAN** openers for Crossroads to provide to their guests. Or, if you prefer to support with a monetary donation, we can do the shopping!! Please designate the donation for "March Crossroads." (A \$25.00 donation will provide funds for several can openers and canned meat!)

A designated collection container is in the lobby.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of Crossroads Soup Kitchen!

The first **Lenten Study** will be Wednesday, March 9 with a soup and bread supper beginning at 6:00PM. The study will begin at 6:30PM and will also be offered virtually. Please sign up in the lobby for in person attendance. The goggle meet link will be in the ebranch and the website.

Directory Changes

The 2022 directory will be published next month. Please check your current copy for accuracy and report any changes to businessadmin@stpaulspresbyterian.church <u>no later than</u>

<u>March 25.</u>

An important update from your Board of Deacons...As a result of a very significant decline in participation as well as many more opportunities in the local community for more enhanced food assistance, the Board of Deacons Food Pantry has closed. The board will now distribute donations received to local agencies that serve the community, and will continue to support any ongoing needs of this congregation. You may continue to make celebratory or memorial donations or your donation can simply be a gift to the Deacons Ministries. Information as to how the funds are distributed will be made available to the St. Paul's congregation. Donation acknowledgements will be published in the weekly bulletin and ebranch. To donate, please: Make your check payable to: St. Paul's Board of Deacons and enclose a note with:

Donor(s) Name(s) and the dedication. (Dedication examples: In honor of the first responders. In honor of our grandchildren. In memory of my parents).

Send the donation with your check and note to St. Paul's, drop it in the secure mailbox outside the entrance, or bring it to the church for Sunday worship or during office hours. The Board of Deacons appreciates the congregation's generous spirit. May the peace of Christ be with us all.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

August Kornowicz,Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Jerry Stone Beverly Dearth, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant, Bruce Phillips Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGregor

Mark Feely, Phil Decker, & Vickie McVeigh ~ friends of Judy McGrego Ben Abela ~ son-in-law of August & Faith Kornowicz Macaylah Whitlock ~ daughter of the Rev. Kellie Whitlock

Rosemary Iaquinta ~ sister of Cathy DeSautel; Pamela Serene ~ daughter of the late Marilyn Allen Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham; Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian; Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham Mark Osborne ~ son of the late Janet

MaryAnn Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne; Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne
Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour
David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin
Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips
Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison
Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank
Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.