

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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**Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday, 9 A.M-2 P.M

**Friday. Closed**

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**First Sunday in Lent**

Holy Eucharist Rite I

February 22, 2026

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

| Rev. Misael Pacheco Guevara, Curate  
Choir Director- Kari Zimerman | Organist – Phil Scoles

## *Liturgy of the Word*

Processional	<b><i>“From God Christ's deity came forth”</i></b>	Hymn 443
Penitential Order Rite 1		BCP 319
Confession of Sin		BCP 320
Kyrie		S-89
Collect of the Day		BCP 218
First Reading		Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32		BCP 624-625
Second Reading		Romans 5:12-19
Sequence	<b><i>“Praise to the Holiest in the height”</i></b>	Hymn 446
The Holy Gospel		Matthew 4:1-11
Sermon		The Reverend Misael Pacheco Guevara
The Nicene Creed		BCP 326
Prayers of the People Form		BCP 328
The Peace		BCP 332

## *The Holy Communion*

Offertory	<b><i>“The glory of these forty days”</i></b>	Hymn 143
The Doxology		Hymn 380
Eucharist Prayer I		BCP 333
Sanctus		S-117
The Lord's Prayer (kneel or sit)		BCP 337
Communion	<b><i>“Lord, who throughout these forty days”</i></b>	Hymn 142
Post-Communion Prayer		BCP 339
Recessional	<b><i>“A Mighty Fortress is our God”</i></b>	Hymn 688

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion in this church.  
Please maintain devotional silence during the administration of the Elements*

## First Sunday in Lent: Year A

### The Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### First Reading

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden’?” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were

opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Word of Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

### Psalm 32



Mer-cy em-brac - es those who trust in the Lord.

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \* and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \* and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \* because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \* my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \* and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \* Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \* when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; \* you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \* I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*

who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."

11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

## **The Epistle**

### **Romans 5:12-19**

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

The Word of Lord.

**All: Thanks be to Go**

**The Gospel**

**Matthew 4:1-11**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of  
God.’”

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’  
and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to you Lord Christ!**

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**To those worshiping with us for the first time: Welcome to St. Paul's! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today and hope that your experience is rewarding. If there is anything we can do for you, feel free to contact us. We would like to get acquainted with you!**

**OPEN DOORS – OPEN HEARTS  
WE ARE A FAMILY OF LOVE IN CHRIST**

Mission Statement of St Paul's/San Pablo:

**Our doors and our hearts are open  
to everyone who seeks to know God.**

**In our prayer this week, let us lift up...**

- **The Archbishop of Canterbury** – Sarah
- **Our Presiding Bishop** – Sean
- **Our Bishops** – Andy, Kay, Jeff, Hector, & Brian
- **Our Clergy** – Misael
- **Our Senior Warden** – Yeni
- **Our Junior Warden** – Julio
- **The leaders of our nation** – especially Donald, the Congress of the United States, the Supreme Court, Greg, John, and all in authority, that by their leadership we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in the service of God and to His honor and glory.
- **Our Church Family** – for those in leadership and for every member of St. Paul's, both present and absent
- **Those who are sick**
- **Those who have died**

**Those who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries**

*St. Paul's Episcopal Church*  
*Sunday Worship Ministry Schedule*  
*Today's Servers*

Role	Names
<b>L.E.M.</b>	Shannon
<b>Lectors</b>	Shannon & Bernadette
<b>Ushers</b>	Carl
<b>Oblationers</b>	Rachel & Linda
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Liz, Sue, Olga, & Cynthia

*Clergy and Staff Serving St. Paul's*

Position	Name
<b>Vicar</b>	Rev.
<b>Curate</b>	Rev. Misael Pacheco Guevara
<b>Organist</b>	Phil Scoles
<b>Choir Director</b>	Kari Zimmerman
<b>Music</b>	Marco Gutiérrez
<b>Senior Warden</b>	Yeni Cabrera
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Julio Olvera
<b>Office Administrator</b>	Irene Aguirre González

# Holy week 2026

## Semana Santa

03/29- 04/05

### PALM SUNDAY: MARCH 29

Domingo de Ramos  
29 de marzo

9:30 A.M Holy Eucharist-English  
12:00 P.M Santa Eucaristía- Español

### HOLY WEDNESDAY: APRIL 1ST

Miércoles Santo  
1 de abril

Servicio de Miércoles Santo  
7:00 PM

### MAUNDY THURSDAY: APRIL 2ND

Jueves Santo  
2 de abril

7:00 P.M Holy Eucharist  
Bilingual Santa Eucaristía

Terminada la cena del Señor, acomáñanos en la vigilia de oración ante Jesucristo, Eucaristía, presencia real, guiados por nuestros ministerios en comunidad.

### GOOD FRIDAY: APRIL 03

Viernes Santo  
03 de abril

12:00 P.M The Way of The Cross  
Servicio de Viernes Santo  
3:00 P.M Viacrucis y Oficios: "Sigamos a Cristo en su Pasión: del camino del dolor a la victoria de la cruz

### HOLY SATURDAY: APRIL 04

Sábado de Gloria  
04 de abril

8:00 P.M  
Solemne  
Vigilia Pascual

### EASTER SUNDAY: APRIL 05TH

Día de Pascua:  
05 de abril



9:30 A.M Holy Eucharist  
English

10:30 A.M EGG HUNT  
Elementary-age  
children

11:00 A.M Brunch/ Comida

12:00 P.M Santa Eucaristía  
Español

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### **Urgent prayers for the sick**

**Heavenly Father, we ask you to watch over and give strength to your flock in their time of need.**

<b>Clint</b>	<b>Peggy F.</b>
<b>Tom C.</b>	<b>Peggy C.</b>
<b>Sue F.</b>	<b>Aaron C.</b>
<b>Betty J.</b>	<b>Maury F.</b>
<b>Don E.</b>	<b>Ray R.</b>
<b>Greg W.</b>	<b>Jenny G.</b>
<b>Denise G.</b>	<b>Carrie L.</b>
<b>Melissa B.</b>	<b>Eva Marie V.</b>
<b>Gigi K.</b>	<b>Roy R. III</b>
<b>Lou F.</b>	<b>Laura H.</b>
<b>Scott A.</b>	<b>Joey</b>
<b>Norma M.</b>	<b>Christopher M.</b>
<b>Peggy H.</b>	<b>Lidia B.</b>
<b>Valentín B.</b>	<b>Clyde M.</b>
<b>Erika O.</b>	<b>Bill R.</b>
<b>Tammy T.</b>	<b>Mary Grace L.</b>

**All people suffering from natural disasters.  
For all who suffer from acts of Violence**



**Worship service**  
**Holy Eucharist**  
**Sunday (*English*) 9:30 AM**  
**Sunday (*Spanish*) 12:00 PM**  
**Wednesday (*Spanish*) 7:00 PM**



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