

# *St. Paul's Episcopal Church*



**February Issue**

February 3, 2024

## *Peace Pilgrim*

*He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals.'* – Luke 10:2-4

I'm sure this is a very familiar passage to all of us, a passage of giving us the words of Jesus as he sends forth the first of his disciples. I don't know how these few words affect you, or what images they evoke in your mind; for me, until recently, it drew pictures we've all seen in Hollywood biblical films. You know the scenes I'm talking about: heaven-bound men on their knees looking up at their Messiah with a look of love and complete surrender. How could this be true? How could this have really happened? No money, no extra clothes, not even an extra pair of shoes for perhaps a long journey. Biblical times must have been different, people must have been different. Remember I did say, "until recently."

For two years Paige and I have been reading and praying with a book of daily meditations for spiritual growth called, "You Are The Beloved" which is compiled from writings of Henri J. Nouwen. Since my early days in seminary, I have made it a practice to read footnotes, endnotes, and bibliographies in order to find additional information in my studies. Somehow in the first year of reading the meditations, I had missed the footnote on page 348, November 14. This second time, as we read and prayed, the footnote

caught my eye. The meditation is titled, “Inner Peace and Social Action.” The footnote simply read \*Peace Pilgrim (1908-1981), born Mildred Lisette Norman, was an American nondenominational spiritual teacher, mystic, pacifist, and peace activist. In the meditation Nouwen writes, “Peace Pilgrim helped me see how important inner peace is. It is that sense of God’s presence in our lives that allows us to trust in the power of God’s peace, even when we do little.” A little further in the meditation, Nouwen gives us this insight into the meaning of God’s peace, “Be sure to make this inner peace your utmost priority. When we radiate the peace of Christ we are peacemakers, and then our peace action can witness to this inner peace. But without that inner peace, our actions easily become instruments of the power of war and destruction.”

Rereading that footnote, a series of questions pressed in on me. Who was this Peace Pilgrim? How had her life, work, and actions drawn the attention of such a great monk and prolific author? I had to know more about this Peace Pilgrim and why I had never heard of her before this footnote. How had she lived her life in search of God’s inner peace?

I began my search on the internet, where I found a brief biography. In the biography I found that friends of Peace Pilgrim had taken a thirty-page booklet she had written and published it as a book simply titled, “Peace Pilgrim.” Her life and works in her own words. Of course I had to have that book. I found a hardbound copy in Amazon’s used books. In a few days I received my copy of what would become a treasure to me. This small book (only 208 pages) came with its dustcover still intact. On the front of the cover was a picture of Peace Pilgrim: white, medium-length hair, a weathered smiling face, and wearing her only possessions, a blue tunic with pockets to hold a few personal items. Pilgrim also wore matching blue slacks and canvas shoes. On the front of the tunic in big white letters was her chosen name, Peace Pilgrim. I would learn as I read her book that on the back of her tunic, also in white letters, was this message, “Twenty-Five Thousand Miles on Foot for Peace.” Yes, 25,000 miles, Pilgrim crossed America for nearly three decades. As she journeyed and prayed, her message was always the same, “I shall remain a wanderer until mankind has learned the way of peace. Overcome evil with good, and falsehood with truth, and hatred with love.”

Pilgrim walked until she was given shelter and fasted until she was given food. Pilgrim spoke to people along the way. She spoke to gatherings, church groups, college groups. She presented her message through newspapers, radio and television.

*“See I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves/ Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals.” – Luke 10*

In reading this book about Peace Pilgrim I am beginning to grasp her understanding of peace. Pilgrim is speaking of inner peace without which there can never be peace in the world. She is speaking of the peace we find written about in Philippians 4:7 “And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard our hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” It is the peace that is implied in the Lord’s Prayer. “Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.” It is the peace of the kingdom within us. It is “the peace of the Lord be always with you... and also with you.”

I pray I have given you enough information about Peace Pilgrim that you might find your way to that inner peace, so that the love of our Lord might shine through you. I would like to close with this message from Peace Pilgrim:

*“In my dealings with people, I don’t chastise, nor do I issue edicts or lay down a blueprint. My appointed work is to awaken the divine nature that is within. This is my calling, to open doors of truth and make people think, to arouse others from their apathetic and lethargic state, and get them to seek out for themselves the inner peace which dwells within. This is the extent of my undertaking, I can do no more. The rest I leave to a higher power.*

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

Deacon George



## ***February Ministry Schedule***

	Feb 4	Feb 11	Feb 18	Feb 25
Clergy Homily	Rev. Dondi Rev. Dondi	Rev. Lyn Rev. Lyn	Rev. Lyn Dcn. Greg	Rev. Kathie Rev. Kathie
Acolytes	Nancy S Judy T	Nancy S Judy T Anthony M	Annamary P Jim P	Nancy S Judy T Carlos M
Lectors	Rex A Steph G	Barbara V Alex S	Steph HW Ishmael H	Ann M Christine J
Intercessor	Sarah H	Judy T	Linda L	Lora B
Greeters	Christine J David L	William S Claudine R	Carolyn L Christine J	Phil M Ismael H
Ushers	David L Phil M	William S Claudine R	Carolyn L David L	Phil M Ismael H
Vestry Rep	Sarah H	Judy T	Linda L	Lora B



### ***Ash Wednesday Services***

There will be 2 services on Ash Wednesday, Feb 14.

One service will be at 12 noon with Rev. Lyn and the other service will be at 7 p.m. with Rev. Kathie

**CROSS OF ASHES** — On Ash Wednesday, as Lent begins, worshipers’ foreheads are often marked with ashes in the sign of the cross. The ashes traditionally come from burning palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday. In the Old Testament, ashes were a sign of mourning and repentance. Today, some worshipers wipe off the ashes before leaving church, to symbolize being cleansed from sin by Jesus’ death; others wear the ashes the rest of the day, carrying the cross of Christ into the world. Reciting Genesis 3:19 often accompanies the placement of ashes: “You are dust, and to dust you shall return.”



## *Salvation Army Shelter Dinner*

Sunday January 21st. The year started with the Team serving 145-150 guests and staff on a rainy weekend. The menu included baked turkey breast, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls, green salad, orange wedges, chocolate chip cookies, and milk. The next dinner will be in March, with a menu to be announced. For the team, meeting the people and providing the meals is a great blessing.

Please contact Linda Lowe, 209-496-3937 or [lwlowe@outlook.com](mailto:lwlowe@outlook.com) for more information.

Prayer support, cooking, serving and donation assistance are always greatly appreciated.

## *God-Shaped Hole*

Have you ever neared the completion of a jigsaw puzzle, only to discover that a piece or two is missing? That's an apt visual for what it's like to live without God. Blaise Pascal, a 17th-century philosopher, observed: "There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of each man which cannot be satisfied by any created thing but only by God the Creator, made known through Jesus Christ."

Centuries earlier, St. Augustine proclaimed "Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee." And in the Old Testament, the writer of Ecclesiastes expounded on the meaninglessness of earthly striving and material pursuits. Only God's Spirit can fill our emptiness and satisfy our eternal longings.

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full," says Jesus in John 10:10 (NIV). He alone provides the solution for emptiness. What comfort to be filled with — and to find our fulfillment in — our Savior!



# Financial Reports

## 2024 Approved Budget Summary

**INCOME**

**Total Anticipated Income**

<b>Unrestricted Income</b>	\$ 214,500.00
Rental, Fundraising, Other Incomes	<u>\$ 114,600.00</u>
	\$ 329,100.00

**Restricted Income**

Designated Offerings	\$ 20,090.00
Specific Charitable Offerings	<u>\$ 480.00</u>
	\$ 20,570.00

**Total Income – All Sources**

**\$ 349,670.00**

**EXPENSES**

Outreach Expenses	\$ 9,725.00
Facility Rental Coordination Costs	\$ 0.00
Office Admin Expenses, Payroll & Pub.Rel	\$ 89,350.00
Diocese Expense Expense	\$ 30,500.00
Facility Maintenance (repairs, services)	\$ 9,200.00
Facility Services (cleaning, security, pest, insurance, alarm, fire)	\$ 63,300.00
Utilities (water, sewer, garbage, electricity, phone, internet)	\$ 41,030.00
Priest (6 months of employment, one time move, Supply)	<u>\$ 105,565.00</u>

**Total Expenses – All Categories**

**\$ 348,670.00**

**Difference**

**\$ 1000.00**

## Financial Summary for 2023

### Year to Date Profit & Loss as of January 10, 2024

Total Revenue (Cash Basis)	\$ 396,621.42
Total Expenditures (Cash Basis)	<u>\$ 342,987.68</u>
DIFFERENCE (Balance)	\$ 53,633.74

## Financial Reports Assets

### As of December 31, 2023

Balance in Checking Account:	\$ 177,172.27
Balance in Savings Account:	\$ 133,872.63
CD:	\$ 5,170.56
Accounts Receivable:	\$ - 1,095.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$ 8,366.09
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 323,486.55</b>

The Information on the previous page (6) is the corrected information to pages 16 and 17 of the Annual Booklet from the Annual Meeting.



## *Financial Report for January through December 2023*

	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23
Operating Income:	18,963.00	12,433.93	15,679.90	16,643.04	18,284.34	13,785.17	16,571.41	14,895.98	11,817.04	16,798.57	12,969.78	24,027.26
Facility Use:	7,050.00	7,950.00	10,900.00	6,000.00	6,300.00	6,000.00	7,380.00	8,061.10	8,500.00	6,300.00	6,000.00	6,716.17
Fundraisers:	0.00	257.66	0.00	0.00	72.44	573.80	193.00	42.00	97.00	40.00	1,363.75	2,709.00
Outreach:	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,034.00	0.00	398.45
Restricted Income:	1,491.00	825.00	864.00	810.00	932.24	780.00	705.01	642.00	50,998.43	891.25	858.84	2,015.00
Total Income:	27,504.00	21,466.59	27,443.90	23,453.04	25,589.02	21,138.97	24,849.41	23,641.08	71,506.41	25,063.82	21,192.37	35,865.90
Expenses:	24,879.51	22,614.41	34,779.36	26,551.43	18,484.40	19,787.42	24,520.33	22,214.60	18,171.69	30,569.50	24,485.24	22,866.49
Net Income/loss:	2,624.49	-1,147.82	-7,335.46	-3,098.39	7,104.62	1,351.55	329.08	1,426.48	53,334.72	-5,505.68	-3,292.87	12,999.41

# Church

## VESTRY

### *What's New at St. Paul's*

- ◆ Minutes from the meetings in December and early January were approved along with the Financial Statements.
- ◆ Minor repairs were handled. We will soon be required to separate garbage to comply with the Modesto City requirements.
- ◆ After a slow start, Sunday School is going well. A fun day is planned for early March.
- ◆ Shrove Tuesday will be February 13th. Help is needed to plan and serve the delicious pancakes. Details for specific needs and the Talent Show are elsewhere in this Epistle.
- ◆ A request to open the Guadalupe Chapel for individual worship during the week is being considered and planned. All are welcome to attend Noonday Prayer and Bible study in the Chapel every Tuesday.
- ◆ An organization has requested to use the Parish Hall for monthly meetings.
- ◆ Plans for Lent, Holy Week and Easter will be announced in the coming weeks. Please continue to pray for the Vestry/Search Committee.

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# Lent







• FOR YOUR INFORMATION •

- ◆ Sunday School has started and is held in the room at the back of the church starting during the readings.
- ◆ If you are interested in joining the Altar Guild please contact Elaine Paradis or Toni Clark.
- ◆ Choir is still on a break.
- ◆ Tai Chi meets in the Parish Hall every Tues. and Thurs. from 9-10.
- ◆ If you are interested in playing hand bells, contact Judy Teter.
- ◆ Food Distribution continues in the Parish Hall the 1st Wednesday of every month from 10 to 11. If you are interested in helping, please contact Judy Teter. If you have grocery bags to donate, please bring on Sunday.
- ◆ The first Sunday of the month there is a donation box on the altar rail for Interfaith Ministries (Now called The Stanislaus Food Initiative).
- ◆ There will be a clothing donation box for MoPride in the narthex. We will be collecting clothing year around. They are also in need of feminine hygiene products.
- ◆ If you are interested in helping with Salvation Army dinners, please contact Linda Lowe.
- ◆ If you are interested in joining Knit One, Pray Two, please contact Gayle Ivy. They will be meeting the 3rd Monday of the month at 1 pm in the youth room of the Parish Hall. This years charity is the Seaman's Institute. They are making scarfs, hats, socks etc.
- ◆ There are still free Covid 19 tests available in the Narthex or in the church office.
- ◆ If you are interested in joining a Wednesday Morning Prayer service or our Book Club contact Judy Thorkelson [jthork2404@aol.com](mailto:jthork2404@aol.com)
- ◆ There will be a basket in the narthex for the Shower Shuttle, they always need underwear and socks! We will also be putting together hygiene kits and need two-blade razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, travel Kleenex, combs and q-tips. Clothes, soap and dryer sheets are also a big need.

## *Shrove Tuesday Talent Show?*

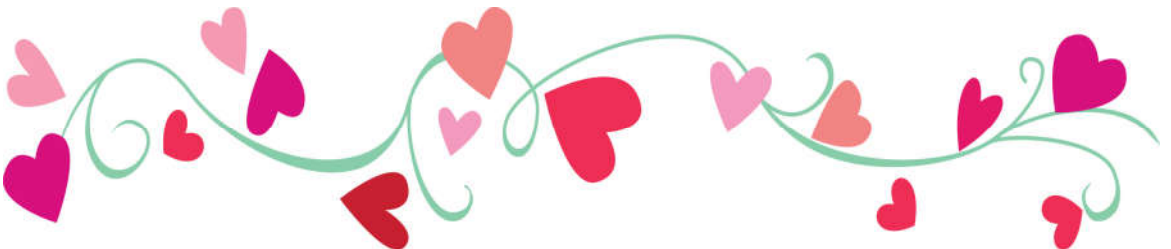


As of February 3rd, **no one** has signed up for the talent part of Shrove Tuesday. There are many ways you can share your talent. If you draw or paint, you can bring some of your artwork. If you are a photographer, bring some of your photos. If you sew, quilt, knit or crochet, you can bring pieces to show us. If you would like to read a story or a poem, if you know some magic tricks, if you do woodworking, if you want to work with a group of people

and put together a skit, if you can sing, dance or play an instrument, you are welcome to share your talent with us! If you need an accompanist or background music, just let Chuck know. Any other talents are also welcome! This is the part of Shrove Tuesday that makes it so much fun, please, let's not miss out on all the fun and no one want's to listen to Chuck's jokes all night.

Please, PLEASE, **PLEASE**, call or email Chuck and let him know what talent you will be sharing for our Pancake Supper and Talent Show. Let's not let this traditional fun event fail. His email is [cbshea@pacbell.net](mailto:cbshea@pacbell.net)

I'll be looking forward to seeing our email box being filled with people signing up for the talent show. - Cherie Sheaffer





## *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Talent Show*

*February 13, 2024*

Now that the whole Christmas season is finished, it is time to look ahead to the time of preparation for Easter. For St. Paul's that means the tradition of enjoying delicious pancakes and reveling in all of our talents.....even with the favorite jokester.

Shrove Tuesday will be February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Jim and Annamary Peck have decided to hand over the spatula to someone else after years of capably and cheerfully handling the supper. Chuck Sheaffer will continue to coordinate the talent show part of the evening.

To be able to carry on the traditional way to prepare for Lent new volunteers are needed to:

- ◆ Help with setting up and decorating the hall
- ◆ Organizing the meal, purchasing ingredients, overseeing the kitchen
- ◆ Kitchen help for mixing, flipping, and heating pancakes and sausage/bacon
- ◆ Clean-up
- ◆ Re-setting the hall

As the saying goes.....many hands make light work.....all volunteers for any portion of the fun are welcome. Let's handle this together!

Please contact Linda Lowe, 209-496-3937 or [lwlowe@outlook.com](mailto:lwlowe@outlook.com) for more information.



## *Prayer and Praise* as of 1-26-2024



Please pray for healing and comfort for the following people:

Theresa Grieshaber  
Pam & Mike Cox  
Suzy Cano  
Elaine Paradis  
Susan Sell  
Linda's Aunt Mudge  
Deacon George  
Ann Mootz's sister-in-law

Michael Thorington  
Sharon Andrew's daughter-in-law  
Enrique Perez (student of Danielle Verges)  
Phil & Anita Machado  
Mary Su's mother  
Ismael Huggins  
Kristina & Rozy Frias  
Ken & Trish Hart

- ☞ Bishop Michael Curry, is home following successful surgery.
- ☞ Susan Sell's son Bryce for strength.
- ☞ Please pray for those in war torn areas everywhere; Ukraine, Holy Land, Gaza, Palestine and Afghanistan.
- ☞ Please pray for the people of Hawaii, especially the victims of the wild-fires on Maui.
- ☞ Pray for the leaders of all nations for wisdom.
- ☞ Please pray for the American people to listen to God's will on their hearts and do unto others as they would want done to them and their families.
- ☞ Please pray for all travelers as journey to and from their destinations.

**Please see the weekly email for the entire list.**

(Some of these people have been on our prayer list a long time, that is because they are in need of long term prayer. The list is updated every week)

If you have any prayers, praises or updates you would like added, please contact the church office 209-522-3267.

## *Spring Training for Christians*

The word Lent comes from Middle English and German words for spring-time. In light of the start of baseball season, some people call the pre-Easter season “spring training for Christians.” This fresh perspective moves away from the flawed understanding that Lent must be somber, or that giving something up for Lent is punishment for sin or a way to earn God’s favor.

As people of faith, we should never take a season off. But every so often — at least once a year! — we do well to examine where we need to get back in shape spiritually. Perhaps we will indeed opt to give something up: that swearing habit, sleeping in on Sundays, or the cost of a weekly treat so we can donate the money instead. Or maybe we’ll take on something new for Lent: a Bible study, prayer routine or service project.

Hebrews describes spiritual discipline as challenging in the moment but yielding righteousness later. The writer urges us, “Lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees ... so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed” (12:11-13, ESV). May the spring training of Lent strengthen and heal us all.



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### *Recycling at St. Paul’s*

Every Sunday, collection cans for recycled aluminum cans and CA redeemable plastic are in the church entrance. Please **rinse and drain** your recyclable plastic and aluminum cans before putting them in the bins. The money from recycling will go to fund "Creation Care" projects like our future vegetable garden.



## *Altar Flowers for 2024*

The 2024 Altar Flower donation list is now posted in the Narthex. You may sign up on the list or send a request to

carolynlist@sbcglobal.net

The donation amount remains \$35. When you donate, your name and the memory, celebration, or honor or your person or event is printed in the weekly Service Bulletin so the congregation can observe with you.



## *Have You Pledged?*

Thank you to everyone who has pledged so far. If you haven't turned in your pledge card yet, there are still some in the church entry.



I would like to update the Armed Forces name list, so if you have a name on the list, please check it out and let me know if they are no longer in the armed forces. If you have a family member that has joined the armed forces and their name isn't on the list, please send me the information so I can add them.


# Kid's Page



## CONNECTED BY LOVE

God's Word is filled with messages about love, which connects us to God and to one another.

*Directions: Draw a line from the beginning of each Bible verse (on the left side) through the heart to the rest of the verse (on the right side). Use the Scripture references for help.*

- a. We  
b. Above all,  
c. My command is this:  
d. And over all these virtues put on  
e. Greater  
f. See what great  
g. There is no fear in
- 
1. each other as I have loved you. John 15:12  
2. has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. John 15:13  
3. But perfect love drives out fear. 1 John 4:18  
4. each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8  
5. the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! 1 John 3:1  
6. because he first loved us. 1 John 4:19  
7. which binds them all together in perfect unity. Colossians 3:14

## HEART strings

Make this heartfelt craft as a decoration or gift.

### What you need:

- Yarn
- Scissors
- Parchment paper
- Baking sheet
- Heart-shaped cookie cutters
- ¼ cup cornstarch
- ½ cup water
- Adult help



### What you do:

1. Cut yarn into 12-inch pieces.
2. Place cookie cutters atop a baking sheet lined with parchment paper.
3. Combine cornstarch and water in a saucepan. Heat mixture over medium heat, stirring until thick and smooth. Remove from heat and cool to form a "glue."
4. Dip each piece of yarn into the mixture to coat completely. Squeeze off any excess.
5. Place yarn in the cookie cutters, allowing pieces to cross and loop within the heart. Add more until the cookie cutter is filled and the yarn looks like a heart.
6. Remove cookie cutters and bake the sheet for two hours at 150°F, or until hearts are dry and hard.

## *Warm Feet at the Shower Shuttle*



Thanks to the generosity of people at St. Paul's, over 85 unsheltered men and women had warm socks for the holidays. I was blessed to bring a very large box of a great variety of socks to share with the guests at the Shower Shuttle. Because there was an abundance, guests were able to choose their own pair. Eyes were bright and smiles large as they looked through the many styles, colors and textures. The toiletries and other items were also greatly appreciated.

Thank you St. Paul's for your continued support and caring for the least among us.

Blessings,

Judy Thorkelson



# The Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin

News about Diocesan events and weekly spiritual encouragement are available at the Diocese of San Joaquin website, <https://www.diosanjoaquin.org>. The "Friday Reflection" is available through the "News and Resources" link. To receive the Friday Reflection directly to your in-box, sign up via the link at the top of the Home page.



## *Scones for Scholarships*

The parish hall kitchen and fellowship hall will soon be taken over by a group of very busy ladies, baking delicious scones. The proceeds from 1 ½ days of baking will be supporting scholarship opportunities for women of all ages. One of the local chapters of P.E.O. International raises money for a variety of grants, helping women whose educational goals range from certificate to doctoral programs.



Scones are available by pre-order only and may be picked up at St. Paul's on Wednesday, March 20th after 4 pm or by special arrangement. Three varieties are available: plain, cranberry/lemon, and chocolate chip. Each bag includes 9 scones for \$15.00.

To place your order or for more information, contact Linda Lowe, 209-496-3937 no later than Monday, March 4th.

## *Marked by Love*



Through the centuries [people] have displayed many different symbols to show that they are Christians. They have worn crosses in the lapels of their coats, hung chains about their necks, even had special haircuts. Of course, there is nothing intrinsically wrong with any of this, if one feels it is [one's] calling. But there is a much better sign, a universal mark that is to last through all the ages of the church until Jesus comes back. ...

Love — and the unity it attests to — is the mark Christ gave Christians to wear before the world. Only with this mark may the world know that Christians are indeed Christians and that Jesus was sent by the Father.

—Francis Schaeffer



**Michael B. Curry**, our Presiding Bishop  
**David Rice**, our Bishop & **Anna Carmichael**, our Canon

### Armed Forces



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|---|---|
| <b>Tom Allen</b> , Wyoming Air National Guard | <b>Jenavieve Johnston</b> , U. S. Air Force |
| <b>Melissa Allen</b> , U. S. Air Force        | <b>Jorgito Fuentes</b> , U. S. Navy         |
| <b>Brandon Alonzo</b> , U. S. Air Force       | <b>Johnny Olmos</b> , U. S. Coast Guard     |
| <b>Christopher Bradley</b> , U. S. Navy       | <b>Cole Medeiros</b> , U. S. Navy           |
| <b>T. J. Browning</b> , U. S. Navy            | <b>Nate Wallace</b> , U. S. Air Force R     |
| <b>Jay Colón</b> , U. S. Air Force            | <b>Carson Repan</b> , U. S. Air Force       |
| <b>Brandon Cox</b> , Texas Air National Guard |   |

If you have any updates or new names for the Armed Forces list, please let Cherie Sheaffer know.

*Please pray for all of our sisters and brothers in Christ.*

*God of wisdom and love, help me and all others who are struggling with difficult circumstances find direction and strength to face our challenges. Give us the assurance that underneath us are your everlasting arms, which will sustain us through everything we face day and night. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

### **February Birthdays**

- |                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Valerie Peters - 6      | Craig Persons - 23  |
| Elaine Paradis - 11     | Beatriz Peters - 27 |
| Elizabeth Cassagio - 13 | Mary Su - 27        |
| Dominic Maestas - 15    | George Cano - 28    |
| Colin West - 22         |                     |

### **February Anniversaries**

- Phil & Anita Machado - 10  
Niniv & Rossana Tamimi - 14  
Craig & Marti Persons - 28

If your birthday or anniversary is in February and you aren't listed here, please let Cherie Sheaffer know. We don't want to leave anyone out.



# February

# UPCOMING *Events*

February 2024						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

Church office hours  
8:30-1:30 Mon-Thurs

- Feb All month is African History Month
- Feb 11 Transfiguration Sunday
- Feb 13 Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper and Talent Show
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday
- Feb 14 Valentines Day
- Feb 19 President's Day
- Feb 29 Leap Day



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# The Epistle

## St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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**Church Office Phone: 209-522-3267**  
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**Deacon Greg Masztal**  
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### *Sunday Services*

Holy Eucharist at 10 am in the church and live streamed on Facebook. You can find a link to the live stream on our webpage

Sunday School during the Homily

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