

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

St. Paul's is an affirming and inclusive Christian community striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. All are welcome, no exceptions!



The Transfiguration of Jesus

March 3, 2019, 8:00 A.M.

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The Collect of the Day

Transfiguration Sunday

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of thy only begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The First Lesson

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai.

When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

- 1 The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 3:12-42

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed.

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

The Gospel

Luke 9:28-36

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

About eight days after Peter had acknowledged Jesus as the Christ of God, Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said.

While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (*Silence*)
For all people in their daily life and work;

**People For our families, friends, and neighbors,
and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless,
and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Jeff, our Diocesan Bishop, and for all other ministers;

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We especially pray this week for Gail, Puzz, Dan Wilson, Colleen Wilson, Joyce Kotvan, Chris Rogers, Zachary and the Jacobs family, Marilyn, Dorothy, Margaret, Patty, Kathy, David, Clark, Myrna, Terry Costello, and Rosemarie.
(The People may add their own petitions.)

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
(The People may add their own thanksgivings.)

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
(The People may add their own petitions.)

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Priest Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Confession of Sin

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The Peace

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The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Priest All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

Eucharistic Prayer II

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The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*(The Episcopal Church invites all Christians to receive communion. The host is placed in your open hands; please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips, or dip the host in the wine. **We have gluten free hosts available, ask the priest at the rail.** It is acceptable to receive only the bread or the wine. If you would rather not receive communion, you are invited to come to the rail for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will say a prayer for you.)*

The Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

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The Dismissal

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ

People: Thanks be to God.

**Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church
DeKalb, Illinois, Diocese of Chicago
Member of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion**

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Sundays

8:00 AM (spoken service); 10:30 AM (with music)

Child care for infants & young children is available

Sundays 9:15 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. in the Nursery.

Christian Education Classes

Sundays: Christian formation classes for all ages.

Children meet in the St. Timothy Center, Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:15 AM

Adult Formation meets in the Conference Room or Parish Hall

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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The Reverend Barbara A. T Wilson, Rector;

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Our Wardens and Vestry,

Marv Kombrink, Senior Warden,

Maureen Gerrity, Junior Warden

Pat Brown, Treasurer, Rebecca Smith, Clerk,

Terry Dickow, Donna de Oliveira

This Week at St. Paul's

Today, Sunday, March 3, 2019, Transfiguration Sunday		
The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
Nursery and Childcare Available	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Kids USA Training	9:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
Choir Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
Coffee Hour and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall

This Week - March 3, 2019 through March 10, 2019				
Wed	Mar 6	Ash Wednesday Service	6:00 P.M.	Sanctuary
Thu	Mar 7	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 P.M.	Sanctuary
		Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M.	PH/Sanctuary
Sun	Mar 10	The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
		Adult Formation.	9:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
		Nursery/ Childcare	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr
		Choral Anthem Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
		The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
		Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall

Announcements

Welcome! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign our guest book. You are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.

A New Ministry

Two weeks ago, Mother Barbara introduced Annette Forster of Kids Hope USA and Jennifer Tallitsch, principal of Lincoln Elementary School, who spoke briefly at our 10:30 a.m. service about the Kids Hope USA ministry. Jennifer spoke about the specific needs of her students and Annette showed a wonderful video explaining more about the mentoring ministry and a lively question and answer session was enjoyed by everyone.

Anyone interested in learning more about this wonderful new ministry can visit kidshopeusa.org, pick up an information card in the parish hall or contact Pam Kombrink, Director, at pam@kombrink.com or 815-776-0102.

A training meeting for new mentors will be held **today, March 3rd**, at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall.

Cardboard Boxes for the Garden

Do you have any empty cardboard boxes? If they are clean, mostly brown, and not waxy or glossy, the church garden team would love to have them to line the aisles of the church garden and raspberry patch and keep down weeds. To donate, break them down flat and bring them to the parish hall by Sunday, April 6. We'll need dozens. Questions? Contact Jacob Maas (jacob.maas95@gmail.com) or Heidi Haverkamp (heidiruthha@gmail.com).

Lent and Adult Formation

Lent begins this year on **March 6th** with the Ash Wednesday Service at 6:00 PM followed by a potluck soup supper. Please see the signup sheet in the Parish Hall.

While there have been days in the past month or so when it seemed that Winter would never end, the reality is that Spring and the liturgical season of Lent are scant weeks away. This year, we will be observing the season with a Wednesday evening soup and bread supper together with focused group study of Fr. Richard Rohr's, "Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy." The study begins by tackling the question of what Christians actually mean when we say, "Jesus died for our sins," in the session on "Atonement Theology," at 6 PM on Wednesday, March 13. For those who cannot make the Wednesday evening sessions, the same talk will take place at 9 AM on the first Sunday in Lent, March 10 and Sundays following. Other topics covered through the weeks in Lent will be "Eco-Spirituality," "The Cosmic Christ," "Orthodoxy vs. Orthopraxy," and "Mysticism over Moralism." All sessions are free and open to the public. It is hoped that St. Paul's folk will be joined by others from the larger community who may be interested in the discussions or may just want to sample the soup!

Celebration of New Ministry

We will celebrate The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson's installation as Rector at St. Paul's on **Tuesday, April 30th**, at 7:00 PM. The Right Reverend Jeffrey Lee will preside and The Reverend David Pike will preach. A reception will follow. All are welcome!

Rector's Discretionary Fund Collection Today

Donations allow us to assist people in need in our community. Checks can be written to "St. Paul's" with "Rector's Discretionary Fund" in the memo. Thank you for your contributions to this important ministry.

Food Pantry Collection is Next Week, March 10

Parishioners are reminded that next Sunday, March 10th, will be Food Pantry Sunday. Please place your donations in the baskets provided. **Contributions may be made at any time during the month.**

NIU Grace Place Campus Ministry

St. Paul's is scheduled to provide the evening meal at Grace Place on Tuesday, April 2nd. Please see Jocelyn Prall for more information if you are interested in participating.

Rite I Service

The Rite I spoken service will now be held every Sunday except for the fifth Sundays of each month: March 31st, June 30th, September 29th, and December 29th.

Important Dates For Your Calendar

March 6	Ash Wednesday
March 10	First Sunday Lent
April 14	Palm Sunday
April 18	Maundy Thursday
April 19	Good Friday
April 20	Easter Vigil Saturday
April 21	Easter Sunday
April 30	Celebration of a New Ministry, 7:00 PM Service
May 5	Low Sunday Brunch
May 18	Lobster Boil

Communication!!!!

There are a lot of things happening at St. Paul's! A new form has been developed so that the office can keep up with events and programs and be sure information is communicated to all who should know. In addition, the new Audio Video System in the Parish Hall has many capabilities for streaming, playing DVD's, slide shows, music, etc. To both ends, we are asking that you fill out a Communication and Tech Request Form for your events and email or turn it in to the office. Copies of the form will be available in the Parish Office and on the table in the Parish Hall. If you need help putting an announcement together, Susan is happy to assist.

For more information about St. Paul's

Go to our website, www.stpaulsdekalb.org - to hear the Sermons, Announcements, Schedules, Mars Hill Newsletter, etc. The Church of St. Paul is on Facebook and Twitter! Like our page and sign up to follow us to get the latest updates on what's going on!

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Striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we! All are welcome, no exceptions!

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Prayers of the People: Book of Common Prayer, Form VI

Household Prayers. Long, K. B. (2013). *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year C*. Westminster John Knox Press: Louisville, Kentucky.

Household Prayer: Morning

*Lord Jesus Christ, as morning dawns, be our light in this new day.
Let our lives reflect your glory, our words show forth your
goodness, and our actions shine with your grace; in your holy
name we pray. Amen.*

Household Prayer: Evening

*Lord Jesus Christ, as evening comes, be our light and hope in
darkness. Draw near to us in grace, surround us with your
presence, and fill us with your peace;
in your holy name we pray. Amen.*

A word about the Household Prayers:

These prayers are printed on a page of their own so that you can tear them out and use them in your devotions at home. These prayers come from an anthology titled *Feasting on the Word*, that includes several liturgies for services. The prayers and liturgies reflect the readings of the week, including special feast days.