



Nicodemus, JESUS MAFA

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 8, 2020 | 9:15AM & 11:15AM

You Are Welcome

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What Kind of Church Is This?

St. Paul & the Redeemer is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice. SPR honors both faith and doubt, bringing together our highest hopes and our deepest fears.

SPR Anti-Racism Vision Statement

To mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus and be true to our baptismal covenant, we strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Let's Get Connected

Fill out one of these cards, which you can find in the backs of the chairs and drop it in the offering basket or give it to a member of the clergy.

OR

Stop by the Welcome Table, which is near the west entrance to the church.

AND

Check-in and follow SPR on social media: [facebook.com/sprchicago](https://www.facebook.com/sprchicago) and [@sprchicago](https://twitter.com/sprchicago)



Children's Formation

Nursery, 9:00am-12:30pm | Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the services for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, 9:30am-9:45am | During the sermon at the 9:15am service, children from **preschool to second grade** are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play 10:20a-11:05a | Children in preschool through fifth grade are invited to Godly Play **today, Sunday, March 8, at 10:20am to hear the stories: The Faces of Easter I-II (PreK/K), The Faces of Easter I-IV (everyone else)**. Children are welcome to join Godly Play at any time during the year. To learn more about volunteering with Godly Play, contact director of children's formation Cynthia Bagrowski (bagrowski@sprchicago.org).

Some Helpful Things to Know Today

Can I receive communion?

Yes. Everyone, without exception, is invited to receive communion.

When am I supposed to stand?

At any point in the service, it's perfectly fine for you to remain seated as you're comfortable. We do have customary times when we stand or kneel; these are indicated by the italicized instructions throughout the service. There are also times when it is customary to cross ourselves, and if you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Are children welcome here?

Yes. Children are invited to participate actively in the service. Also, coloring pages, crayons, and books are at the entrances to the church. Nursery care is available (see "Children's Formation" for details).

Where are the restrooms?

There are single-user, gender-neutral restrooms down the southwest stairs and also through the northeast door of the sanctuary.

Is there wheelchair accessibility?

Yes. An accessible restroom is through the northeast door of the sanctuary. There is an elevator which gives access to the first floor, lower level, and parish hall. Everyone is invited to remain seated at any point during the service, as needed.

How about hearing assistance?

We can help there, too. Hearing-assistance devices are available from the ushers.

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Youth Formation

No Youth Formation/Youth Group on March 8 & 15.

The SPR youth are on a winter retreat.

Youth formation and youth group will resume on **Sunday, March 22.**



Welcome to Lent.

What Is Lent?

Lent is a 40-day season of preparation for Easter. This preparation traditionally includes practices like fasting, almsgiving, confession of sin, and prayer. More broadly, it's a time for simplifying or reordering our lives in order to be more fully alive: One may give up something good in order to better appreciate it after Easter. One may give up something not-so-good in order to eliminate it once and for all from one's life. One may take up a new practice, like daily prayer or scripture reflection or a service project, in order to find new grounding in the life of God.

If you would like guidance about how you might observe this Lent, talk to our rector, Catherine Healy (healy@sprchicago.org).

Our Worship Space

At St. Paul & the Redeemer, we usually worship in the round, with the altar in the center and all of us gathered around it. In Lent, as you can see, we change things up.

One reason we do this is just for the sake of changing things around because that's something that Lent is about: reordering our lives in order to wake up to ourselves and to the world around us a bit more – to unsettle us from our usual habits and perspectives.

The particular arrangement of our space in Lent reflects how many monastic communities worship. Such communities are places of service, fasting, and deep prayer. Lent is our chance to walk in such ways for a season. This arrangement also brings the choir into the midst of us, helping us to sing more boldly.

Giving in Lent

Our version of "almsgiving" at SPR is financially supporting the important work of two of our partners:

Teachers' Salaries at St. Patrick's School | Tom Gateau, Haiti

For the sixth year in a row, the money raised for Haiti during Lent is going to pay for teachers' salaries. Each teacher is paid \$1,000 per school year (\$100 for 10 months). This is different from the money we raise for St. Patrick's lunch program, which we raised money for this past fall and plan to do so again this coming fall.

Choir Program at Shoesmith Elementary School | Kenwood, Chicago

The money raised for Shoesmith during Lent will go to pay for the choir program. The Chicago Public Schools budget does not allow for a robust arts program, and so Shoesmith has contracted with the Chicago Children's Choir to run its choir program. The past two years, SPR has been able to pay for the whole program.

Offering envelopes for both are in the seatbacks.
Please make checks payable to "SPR" and put "Shoesmith" and/or "Haiti" in the memo.

THE WORD OF GOD

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is to say all **bolded** text aloud.

Prelude

Entrance Hymn

When the bell rings, please stand as able and sing.

Descant



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.



Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



Repeat Refrain



the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.
bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.



The Hymnal 1982 #473 "Lift high the cross"

Words: George William Kitchin (1827-1912) and Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956) Music: *Crucifer*, 10 10 with Refrain, Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947); desc. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

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A Penitential Rite

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
God's mercy endures for ever.

The Choir sings:

Jesus said: "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel, The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Music: Charles Rus (b. 1960)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel or bow.

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

At 9:15, members of the St. Nicholas Choir, and at 11:15, a cantor, will lead all in singing the Kyrie in three parts.

Group 1
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Group 2
Chris - te e - le - i - son.

Group 3
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Words: Greek, Mass Ordinary

Music: "Mercer Kyrie," Marilyn Haskell, adapt. Christian M. Clough

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The Collect of the Day

Please stand as able.

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy:
Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways,
and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith
to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son;
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lessons

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Genesis 12:1-4a

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

The choir sings the first verse. The psalm is then sung antiphonally by full verse, beginning on the north side of the church, as indicated.

notes in parentheses
first verse only

Plainsong Tone II.1



Psalm 121

CHOIR I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my / help to come?
NORTH My help comes from the Lórd, *
the maker of hea/ven ánd earth.
SOUTH He will not let your fóot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not / fall ásleep.
NORTH Behold, he who keeps watch over Ísrael *
shall neither slum/ber nór sleep;
SOUTH The Lord himself watches óver you; *
the Lord is your shade at / your ríght hand,
NORTH So that the sun shall not strike you by dáy, *
nor the / moon 'by night.
SOUTH The Lord shall preserve you from all évil; *
it is he who shall / keep yóu safe.
NORTH The Lord shall watch over your going out and your comíng in, *
from this time forth for / evérmore.

Psalm 121
Music: Plainsong Tone II.1

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

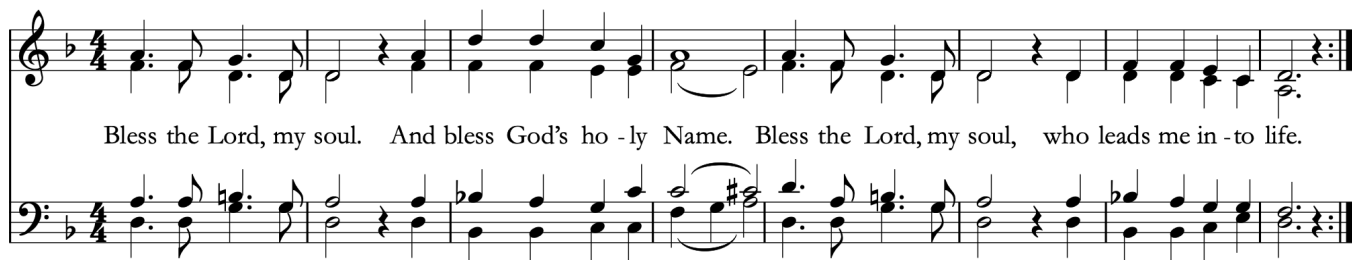
For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able and sing.



Bless the Lord, my soul. And bless God's ho - ly Name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

"Bless the Lord, my soul" (from the *Community of Taizé*)

Words & Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

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At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and over your heart.

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

John 3:1-17

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel (@ 9:15 only)

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to their own liturgy in the chapel. They will return at the peace.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. Shawn Evelyn, *Priest Associate*

The Prayers of the People

God of our ancestors, in this Lenten season we give you thanks for your saints throughout history. Shape our hearts also in accordance with your will, that we might join this good company in blessing all the earth.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God our helper, keep watch over our city in times of struggle and strife. We pray for those wounded by the sharp edges of our common life, that your peace and justice would truly reign in our midst.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of wisdom, grant us grace and patience as we carry our questions and concerns to one another in community. Greet us in the mornings and evenings of our lives, and tend to our inner places.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of healing, we pray for all those who are sick, including **Josef** Michael Carr, Sr. (father Josef Michael Carr, Jr.), **Peggy** Bevington (friend of Val & Jim Tonsgard), **Ricky** (friend of Nicholas Bellomy), **Christine** Bellomy (mother of Nicholas Bellomy), **Mary** Naftzger, **Mary** Johnson (friend of Mary Naftzger), **Willie** C. Spraggins (aunt of Jo Ann Roberts), **Sally** Wolcott **and her family**, **Eli** Taylor (brother-in-law of Cheryl Vanorsby), **Rock** Sehr, **William** Starnes, Jr. (brother of Pam Anderson), **Cheryl** Vanorsby, A. **Henry** Randall, Jr. (grandfather of Evan Randall), **Sophie** Dillard (granddaughter of Robert and Sheila Bator), **Naomi** Haynes, **George** Whitley, **Sean** Knight (son of Shirley Knight), **Tim** Sehr, **William** Starnes (father of Pam Anderson), **Jewel** Starnes (mother of Pam Anderson), **Leatrice** Mowatt, **Katherine** Beetle Broadway (family of Tonsgards), **Bronwen** O'Wril (sister of Persis Berlekamp), **Chris** Wiley (cousin of Camille Long), and **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), as well as their caregivers.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we pray for all who now see you face to face, especially **Thomas** Clark (3/10/2002, grandfather of Allison Clark), **Jessica** Paul (3/11/2006, niece of Sharla Paul), **Jacob** Paul (3/11/2006, nephew of Sharla Paul), and **Eugene** Hardin (3/11/2017, father of Brenda Kilpatrick).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for all of those who are celebrating birthdays this week, including **Jonah** Karafiol (3/8), **Sally** Wolcott (3/8), **Josh** Daniel (3/9), **Pamela** Anderson (3/11), and **Annikka** Bouwsma (3/13); and those celebrating anniversaries, including **Alexander & Mary** Stonor Saunders (3/11).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

God, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers written by Kenji Kuramitsu.

Requests for prayers can be sent to Barnabas Pusnur at pusnur@sprchicago.org.

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess the faith of the Church.

All stand as able.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another and return to their seats. At this time of heightened concern about coronavirus transmission, please greet the people around you with a wave, rather than a handshake or hug. Some announcements will be given, but there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the choir.

God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.

Words: John 3:16-17 (KJV)

Music: from *The Crucifixion* (1887), John Stainer (1840-1901)

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All sing.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly, Lord, God of power and might, — hea - ven and earth are full, —
full — of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. + Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Eucharistic Prayer A.

As now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast.

All sing.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: — have mer - cy on — us. — Je - sus, bear - er
of our sins: have mer - cy on — us. — Je - sus, — re - deem - er,
re - deem er of — the world: give — us your peace, give — us — your peace. —

"Jesus, Lamb of God" (*Agnus Dei*)
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The gifts of God for the people of God: Holy things for holy people.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the priest. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like to receive communion at your seat, tell an usher. The ushers will help each section up to the altar. Don't worry; all will be fed.

Healing Prayer

If you would like to be prayed for individually, you are invited to the area in front of the columbarium (in the southeast corner of the sanctuary) after you have received communion, where a prayer team member will pray with you briefly before you return to your seat.

All sing.

The musical score consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is marked with a '1' and contains the lyrics: "Do - na no - bis pa - cem, pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem." The second staff is marked with a '2' and contains the lyrics: "Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem." The third staff is marked with a '3' and contains the lyrics: "Do - na no - bis pa - cem. Do - na no - bis pa - cem." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with various note values and rests.

The Hymnal 1982 #712 "Dona nobis pacem"

translation: "Grant us peace."

Words: Traditional Latin Music: *Dona nobis pacem*, Irr., traditional canon

All sing.

1 Now quit your care and anxious fear and worry; for
2 To bow the head in sack-cloth and in ashes, or
3 For is not this the fast that I have chosen? (The
4 For righteous-ness and peace will show their faces to
5 Then shall your light break forth as doth the morn-ing; your

1 schemes are vain and fret-ting brings no gain. Lent calls to
2 rend the soul, such grief is not Lent's goal; but to be
3 pro-phet spoke) To shat-ter ev-ery yoke, of wick-ed-
4 those who feed the hun-gry in their need, and wrongs re-
5 health shall spring, the friends you make shall bring God's glo-ry

1 prayer, to trust and ded-i-ca-tion; God brings new beau-ty
2 led to where God's glo-ry flash-es, his beau-ty to come
3 ness the griev-ous bands to loos-en, op-pres-sion put to
4 dress, who build the old waste plac-es, and in the dark-ness
5 bright, your way through life a-dorn-ing; and love shall be the

Unison Harmony

1 nigh; re-ply, re-ply, re-ply with love to love most high;
2 near. Make clear, make clear, make clear where truth and light ap-pear;
3 flight, to fight, to fight to fight till ev-ery wrong's set right.
4 shine. Di-vine, di-vine, di-vine it is when all com-bine!
5 prize. A-rise, a-rise, a-rise! and make a par-a-dise!

Unison Harmony

1 re-ply, re-ply, re-ply with love to love most high.
2 Make clear, make clear, make clear where truth and light ap-pear.
3 to fight, to fight to fight till ev-ery wrong's set right.
4 Di-vine, di-vine, di-vine it is when all com-bine!
5 A-rise, a-rise, a-rise! and make a par-a-dise!

The Hymnal 1982 #145 "Now quit your care"

Words: Percy Dearmer (1867-1936), alt. Music: *Quittez, Pasteurs*, Irr., French carol; harm. Martin Fallas Shaw (1875-1958)

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Sending Forth

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

**you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Presider says a solemn prayer over the people:

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Book of Occasional Services, 2003, Lent 2 Blessing

All sing the refrain. Members of the choir sing the verses.

Refrain

We've come this far by faith, Lean-ing on the Lord; Trust-ing in His ho-ly word,
He's nev-er failed me yet. O
can't turn a-round. We've come this far by faith.

1 Don't be discouraged when trouble's in your life.
He'll bear your burdens and move all misery and strife.
That's why . . .
Refrain

2 Just the other day I heard someone say
He didn't believe in God's word;
But I can truly sat that God had made a way
And He never failed me yet.
That's why . . .
Refrain

Lift Every Voice and Sing II #208 "We've come this far by faith"

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Lenten Small Group Series
The Church's Response to Community Trauma
March 8 through April 9

Why do Chicagoans have such differing experiences of living in the same city? How are urban churches like ours called to respond to poverty, violence, and community trauma? What are the theological implications of our response—or non-response—to the suffering of others around us? During Lent 2020, join us in a small-group study of *This City Is Killing Me: Community Trauma and Toxic Stress in Urban America*, by SPR member Jonathan Foiles. Small groups will meet weekly in the SPR Byllesby Room for five weeks, beginning the week of Sunday, March 8. You can find the book (in print or audio form) at your local bookstore or at Amazon. A small number of copies will be available at the church for \$15 each. Participants are encouraged to read the introduction and Chapter 1 in preparation for the first meeting. Please sign up online at sprchicago.org/small-groups or in the narthex.

Small Groups:

Sundays, 1:00-2:30 PM (leader: Nick Bellomy)
Mondays, 7:30-9:00 PM (leader: Lydia Gajdel)
Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00 PM (leader: Shawn Evelyn)
Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 PM (leader: KJ Oh)
Thursdays, 10:00-11:00 AM (leader: Barnabas Pusnur)
Thursdays, 7:30-9:00 PM (leader: Kenji Kuramitsu)

COMING UP

New Art Exhibit

The Arts Committee presents "Who made the grasshopper?", an exhibit of photos of small things by Jim Wright. It will open **Sunday, March 1**, with a reception in the chapel and Byllesby Room after the 9:15 and 11:15 services. For more information contact Jim Wright (jimphotoguy1@gmail.com).

Refugee Family Visiting Opportunities

Join us in visiting a family from Syria that has been in Chicago for less than a year: An at-home mom, a father who works as a custodian, and three kids—a girl who is 11 and two boys, ages 7 and 6. They live in the West Ridge/Rogers Park area. At least two visitors are needed from 10 to noon or 2 to 4 for the last three Saturdays in March. There are many openings beyond that in the months to come, but we want to make sure we cover the cover the initial visits. You can sign up in the narthex or by email to rbator@aol.com. For more information or to sign up for the visits, email Bob or Sheila Bator (rbator@aol.com) or call them at 773-930-7124.

Love in a Dish

As Mary Naftzger recovers from surgery, please sign up in the narthex to bring food to Mary & Bob, who live down the block from SPR. For more information contact Megg Hoover (margarethoover@hotmail.com).

Serve in Children's Ministry

Do you want to get to know the stories of the Bible and of our faith? Do you love seeing and interacting with the children of our parish? Our Godly Play program has a few slots for doorpeople. A doorperson greets the children, helps establish the tone of the classroom, and assists the Storyteller as the class progresses. Godly Play takes place each Sunday, between 10:20 and 11:10. Individual commitments vary, between once a month and three times a month; you can decide what works for you. Training will be provided. If you think you might be interested, consider sitting in on a class and observing. The curriculum is powerful for both the children and the adult leaders. For more details, please contact Cynthia Bagrowski (bagrowski@sprchicago.org).

Refugee Family Needs

Our partner family from Syria has need of a portable whiteboard (any size), a television, and a laptop or desktop computer. If you have any of these items you can donate, please email Bob and Sheila Bator (rbator@aol.com).

SPR Tiny Tots Service

On **March 21, from 8:30 to 9:30am**, children ages 0-3 and their parents are invited to a "Tiny Tots" worship service/play group in the Byllesby Room. There will be songs, a Bible story, and time for mingling and free play, with coffee for adults and snacks for all. RSVP to Cynthia Bagrowski: bagrowski@sprchicago.org.

SPR Groups and Programs

Please consider joining one of these groups or programs. New participants are always welcome.

Bible Study: Every Thursday, 10-11am in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Kerstin Wellbery (kara.kerstin@gmail.com).

Open Kitchen: The Sunday before the third Monday of each month, 12:30pm in the Kitchen. Contact: Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).

Letter Writing Ministry: Every first Sunday of the month at 12:30pm in the St. Cecilia Room. Contact: Julia Rademacher-Wedd (jfrwedd@gmail.com).

Fiber Arts: Every second Sunday of the month at 12:30pm in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Rebecca Luttrell (southsideknitter@gmail.com).

Arts Committee: Every second Sunday of the month, 12:30pm in the Chapel. Contact: Jim Wright (jimphotoguy1@gmail.com).

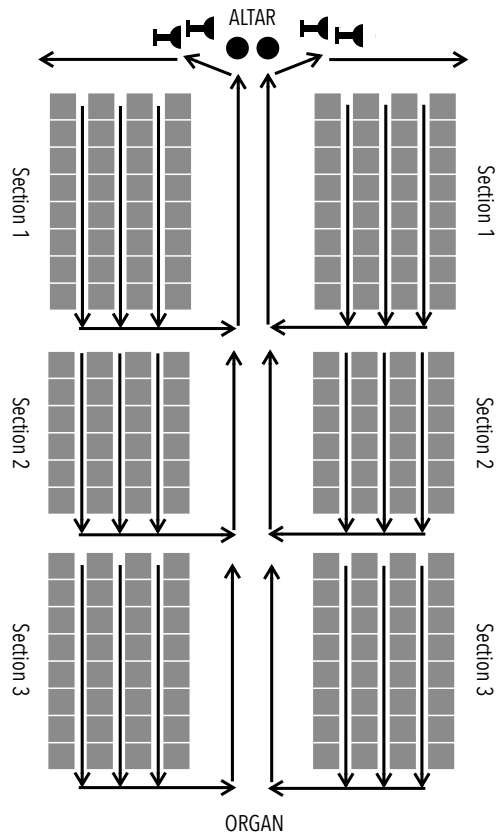
SPR Choirs: All experience levels and newcomers welcome.

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten-2nd grade): Thursday Rehearsal 6-6:30pm. Contact: Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org).

SPR Choristers (3rd Grade and above): Thursday rehearsal 6-7:30pm. Contact: Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Teen & Adult Choirs: Thursday rehearsal 7-8:40pm. Contact Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

How to Line Up for Communion



Order for Lining Up

Choir Goes First | Then Section 1 | Then Section 2 | Then Section 3

Today's Ministers

Presider

Catherine Healy, Shawn Evelyn

Preacher

Shawn Evelyn

Deacons

8 & 9:15: Lydia Gajdel

11:15: Jaime Briceño

Music Leader

Christian Clough

Acolytes

9:15: Mahrhotal Rosier, Swahdreeznya Rosier

Subdeacon

11:15: Mel Parks

Lectors

9:15: J'Heannhehbelle Rosier, Martin Nutley

11:15: Nicholas Bellomy, Andrew Rostan

Prayer Reader

9:15: Eva Nielsen

11:15: Kenji Kuramitsu

Children's Chapel Leaders

Cynthia Bagrowski, Gretchen Eng

Chalice Ministers

9:15: Yanick Rosier, Esther Foiles, Gail Williams, Sarah Lincoln

11:15: Jim Wright, David Farris, Kelsey Shaw, Robert Bator

Healing Prayer Leaders

9:15: Fran Spaltro, Joshua Daniel

11:15: Vinita Wright

Ushers

9:15: Wanda Austin-Wingood

11:15: David Daniels, Rahsaan Morris

Vestry Greeter

9:15: Jonathan Foiles

11:15: Jared Beverly

Altar Guild

9:15:

11:15: Pamela Anderson

Linen Washer

Pat Swanson

Communion Bread Baker

Jim Tongard

Hospitality

9:15: John Adewoye

11:15: Hannah Adegoke

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