

RINGING THE BELLS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Bill Wassner

OPENING MUSIC

CHORAL INTROIT      *"Celtic Alleluia" (O'Carroll & Walker)*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: People of God, where do we put our trust? Where do we find wholeness and meaning?

**People: We lift up our eyes to the hills. Our help comes from the Creator of heaven and earth.**

Leader: We are sons and daughters of Abraham and Sarah. We trust in God, who neither slumber nor sleeps.

**People: We are followers of Jesus, who proclaimed God's realm. We are born of the Spirit, born from above.**

Leader: Our lives are a gift from God, who loves us. By the grace of God, we are born anew each day.

**People: God loved the world in the gift of Jesus Christ. Through faith in Christ, we receive eternal life.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*"Were You There?"*

# 161 (v. 1, 2, 4, 5)

\*UNISON INVOCATION

**Let the winds of the Spirit blow in our midst today, loving God. Let us hear the sound and feel the power. Open our hearts in new ways to the promise of your healing grace so we may be a blessing to one another and to your word. We need courage to face the challenges and struggles of life. We seek reassurance that you will be with us in our going out and our coming in. Strengthen our faith to withstand the trials and temptations that lead us away from a faithful journey with Christ. Amen.**

\*RESPONSE

*"Gloria Patri"*

# 614

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

MORNING PRAYER

Pastor Mary Hurley

One: The Lord be with you.

**Many: And with you also.**

One: Let us pray...

Morning Prayer, followed by 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 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.**

Organ Response

ANTHEM

*"The Glory of the Cross" (Shackley)*

Traditional Choir

DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Pastor Bill

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God throughout these forty days.**

**Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.**

**And praise the Spirit who imparts,**

**God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

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\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Thank you, God for glimpses of eternity in the daily experiences of life. We are grateful for encounters that lift the horizons of our vision. We rejoice in the teaching and care you have provided to us. Bless now the gifts we return to you for the programs and outreach of the church. We want to share our faith with the world. We pray for trustful relationships among all your children. We rejoice together in the saving ministry of Jesus that inspires us to give our best. Amen**

\*SERMON HYMN

*"Rock of Ages"*

# 284

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23 *(The Message)*

SERMON

**GREEN PASTURES AND STILL WATERS** (verse 2)

Pastor Mary

\*CLOSING HYMN

*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

# 171

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray,**

**Teach us with Thee to mourn our sins, and close by Thee to stay.**

**Abide with us, that so, this life of suff'ring over past,**

**An Easter of unending joy we may attain at last!**

\*RINGING THE BELLS

\*CLOSING MUSIC

## THE WEEK AHEAD...

### SUNDAY - 3/12

9:00 am Traditional Worship  
 9:15 am Praise Singers  
 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School  
 10:15 am Music Board  
 11:00 am Discovery Worship  
 12:00 pm IMPACT Jr. High Youth

### MONDAY - 3/13

8:00 am Headstart  
 6:00 pm Gym Reserved

### TUESDAY - 3/14

8:00 am Headstart PS  
 8:00 am Weight Watchers  
 9:00 am Women's Bible Study  
 9:30 am 4C Play & Learn  
 3:00 pm Open Gym  
 5:15 pm Weight Watchers  
 5:30 pm Gym Reserved

### WEDNESDAY - 3/15

8:00 am Headstart PS  
 12:00 pm "The Shack" Lenton Study, 208  
 3:00 pm Open Gym  
 5:15 pm Women at the Well Bible Study  
 5:30 pm Confirmation, Wednesday Night Youth  
 5:30 pm Gym Reserved  
 6:00 pm Discovery Music (Sanctuary)  
 6:00 pm Handbell Choir  
 7:00 pm Traditional Choir

### THURSDAY - 3/16

8:00 am Headstart PS  
 9:30 am Discovery Bible Study  
 3:00 pm Open Gym  
 5:30 pm Gym Reserved  
 5:30 pm Music Board (Choir Room)  
 6:00 pm "The Shack" Lenton Study, 208  
 6:00 pm Deacons Meeting (Library)  
 6:30 pm Elders Meeting (Dining Rm Annex)  
 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting (Parlor)  
 7:00 pm Council Meeting (Dining Room)

### FRIDAY - 3/17

8:00 am Headstart  
 6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal  
 Youth Spring Retreat

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**Weekly announcements are emailed out each Friday. If you are not receiving them and wish to, please email the office with your request:**

[office@stpaulsuccevansville.org](mailto:office@stpaulsuccevansville.org)

### SATURDAY - 3/18

4:00 pm Endress-Wambach Wedding

### SUNDAY - 3/19

9:00 am Traditional Worship with Guest Music  
 9:15 am Praise Singers  
 10:00 am Breakfast, Sunday School  
 10:15 am BOCE (Library)  
 10:25 am Mission Team (Parlor)  
 11:00 am Discovery Worship  
 5:30 pm 108° Senior High

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

#### Mar 12 9:00 am

**& S.S. Hour** Stacey Henderson  
**11:00 am** Stacey Henderson & Janine Koehler

#### Mar 19 9:00 am

**& S.S. Hour** Stacey Henderson  
**11:00 am** Stacey Henderson & Theresa Herrenbruck

### GREETERS

#### Mar 12 9:00 am

**11:00 am** Larry & Kathy Vonderahe  
 Shannon Jackson, Judy Lockhart

#### Mar 19 9:00 am

**11:00 am** Kookie & Gary Ruminer  
 Karla Smith, Judy Batteiger

### USHERS

### MARCH

**9:00 am** Louis Buschkill, Captain; Bob Dreier, Jim Geiser, Darlene Dycus  
**11:00 am** Jacob Jackson, Captain; Keith Krietenstein, Mike O'Nan, Earl Smith

### PRAYER CONCERNS

*A complete list is posted on the entry bulletin board.*

Richard Alvis	Katie Maurer
Millie Barrett	Anna Oschman
Orion Bays (home)	Connie Parker
Eloise Castleman	Rex Powell
Fred Duggins (Connie Jourdan's brother)	Betty Sanders (Pine Haven)
Ashley Fluty	Jerry Schreiber (FL)
Tom Hancock (Crissy Hettenbach's dad)	Lydia Schroeder
Stacey Henderson	Pam Schuck
Linda Hobbs	Marilyn Smith (Heritage)
Gayle Hochstetler	Ruth Smith
Keith Kolb (home)	Jerry Stilwell
Phyllis Lowe (friend of Pat Wittenbraker)	Russ Woosley
	Rosalie Yeager



**A Place to Belong and Serve**

**ST. PAUL'S  
 UNITED CHURCH  
 OF CHRIST**

**Traditional Worship - 9:00 AM - March 12, 2017  
 Second Sunday in Lent**

William J. Wassner, Senior Pastor

Mary Hurley, Associate Pastor

Andrea Williams, Director of Traditional Music

Katie Maurer & Kasey Gathercole, Co-Directors of Discover Music

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