

ST. PAUL & ST. ANDREW

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Join us as we build a
community of radical welcome
that follows Jesus into the
streets of the city to increase
the amount of love and justice
in the world.

K Karpen
Lea Matthews
Andrea Steinkamp
Pastors

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024
11:00 a.m.



Aurora imposes ashes

Sunday, February 18, 2024 ♦ First Sunday in Lent

♦ *Please rise in body or spirit*

Prelude	Frank Glass Morning Has Broken Eleanor Farjeon (1931) & Gaelic Folk Tune, arr. Frank Glass (2023)
Introit (77)	How Great Thou Art (pg. 4, v. 1)
Call To Worship ♦	Rachel Black (pg. 5) Adapted from Jan Richardson’s poem “This Grace That Scorches Us”
Opening Hymn (581)♦	Lord, Whose Love (pg. 7, v. 1-3)
Opening Prayer	Kate Dotson
Prayer Song (77)	How Great Thou Art (pg. 4, v. 2)
Scripture	K Karpen Genesis 9: 8-17 (pg. 6)
Message for All Ages	Andrea Steinkamp <i>Youth & kids are invited up front to the chancel. After the scripture, kids 10 and under are invited to Sunday School in the Youth Room (3rd Fl).</i>
Prayer Song (77)	How Great Thou Art (pg. 4, v. 4)
Sermon	Lea Matthews “The Wonder in Wandering”
Morning Prayer The Lord’s Prayer	Pearl Verduyse Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
Prayer Song (581)	Lord, Whose Love (pg. 7, v. 4)
Welcome	Andrea Steinkamp
Passing the Peace ♦	<i>Please greet those right around you with ‘Peace be with you’.</i>

Peace Song ♦

Peace Is Flowing Like a River

Peace is flowing like a river, flowing out of you and me.
Flowing out into the desert, setting all the captives free!
Love is flowing like a river...
Justice, flowing like a river...

Love in Action

Ekama Eni (pg. 12)

**Offering
Offertory**

Of tithes, gifts, and prayers (pg. 3, 9)

Chancel Choir

On Another's Woe

William Blake (1794) & Jane Marshall (1974)

Prayer of Gratitude

Jenna Johnson

Sending Song (111)♦

How Can We Name a Love (pg. 8)

Benediction ♦

Lea Matthews

Postlude

Frank Glass

The True Shepherd's Voice

Shaker Community at Mt. Lebanon, NY (1880)

Livestream

Brent Ness (director), **Chaz Pittman/Red Gate Sound** (video)

Audio

Hector Pagan

Counters

Cynthia Round, Marianne McClure

Greeters

Karen Collins, Shirley Struchen

Childcare

Childcare (ages 1-3) with **Al-Naima Finch** is available

Check in with Al at the reception desk at W86th Entrance.



Gifts & Offerings

If you would like to make a contribution, visit stpaulandstandrew.org/give, scan the QR code, or text the amount of your donation to 646-971-9400. Gifts can also be placed in the donation boxes at the Welcome Tables.



Welcome!

If you are new to our community, we'd love to keep in touch, and invite you to fill out a Connect Card at the Welcome Table, or scan this QR code to complete a Connect Card ne. Thank you for joining us today!

How Great Thou Art



1. O Lord, my God, when I in awe-some won - der, con - sid - er
2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, and hear the



all the worlds thy hands have made, — I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, — when I look down, from lof - ty moun - tain



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the un - i - verse dis - played. — Then sings my
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze, —



soul, my Sav - ior God to thee: — How great thou art! — How great thou art! — Then sings my



soul, my Sav - ior God to thee: — How great thou art! — How great thou art! —

4. When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul . . .

Words and music: Stuart Hine, 1953

Call To Worship

One: To bear the blessing of God's grace,
you must first take yourself
to a place where everyone
does not look like you
or think like you,

**Many: a place where they do not
believe precisely as you believe,
where their thoughts
and ideas and gestures
are not exact echoes
of your own.**

One: Here we gather.

**Many: We bring our sorrow.
We bring our grief.
We bring our fear.
We bring our weariness,
our pain,**

One: our disgust at how broken
the world is,
how fractured
how fragmented
by its fighting,
its wars,
its hungers,
its penchant for power,
its ceaseless repetition
of history it refuses
to rise above.

**Many: God's blessing of grace will not fix that.
But in the place
where we have gathered,
we wait.
Watch.
Listen.**

One: We lay aside our inability
to be surprised,
our resistance to what we
do not understand.

**Many: We gather together to see whether this
blessing
turns to flame on our tongues,**

One: sets us to speaking
what we cannot fathom
or opens our ears
to a language
beyond our imagining
that comes as a knowing
in our bones,
a clarity
in our hearts
that tells us
this is the reason
we were made:

**All: for this ache
that finally opens us,
for this struggle,
this grace
that scorches us
toward one another
and into
the blazing day.**

One: May we know this grace and welcome it in.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9: 8-17

God then said to Noah and his family, “I hereby establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you—birds, cattle, and the earth’s wildlife—everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I hereby establish my covenant with you: All flesh will never again be swept away by the waters of the flood; never again will a flood destroy all the earth.”

God said, “Here is the sign of the covenant between me and you and every living creature for ageless generations: I set my rainbow in the clouds and it will be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, my rainbow will appear in the clouds. Then I will remember the covenant that is between me and you and every kind of living creature, and never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all flesh. Whenever my rainbow appears in the clouds I will see it, and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature on earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all living things on the earth.”

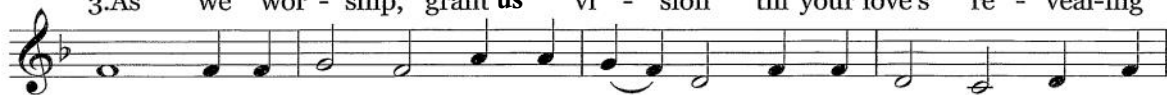
Faith and Fun Friday



Lord, Whose Love



1. Lord, whose love through hum-ble ser - vice bore the weight of hu-man
2. Still your chil - dren wan-der home-less, still the hun - gry cry for
3. As we wor - ship, grant us vi - sion till your love's re - veal-ing



need, who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, of - fered mer - cy's per - fect
bread, still the cap - tives long for free - dom, still in grief we mourn the
light in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened



deed: we your peo - ple bring the wor - ship not of voice a - lone, but
dead. As, O Lord, your deep com - pas - sion healed the sick and freed the
sight, mak-ing known the needs and bur - dens your com - pas - sion bids us



heart, con - se - crat - ing to your
soul, use the love your Spi - rit
bear, stir - ring us to tire - less



pur - pose ev - 'ry gift that you im - part.
kin - dles still to save and make us whole.
striv - ing, your a - bun - dant life to share.

4. Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go
To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show.
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
That your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live

Albert Bayly, 1961, *altered*

Attributed to Benjamin Franklin White, 1844
Harmonized by Ronald Nelson, 1978

How Can We Name a Love

1. How can we name a Love that wak - ens heart and mind, in -
3. When peo - ple share a task, and strength and skills u - nite in
dwell - ing all we know or think or do or seek or find? With -
pro - jects old or new, to make or do with shared de - light, our
in our dai - ly world, in eve - ry hu - man face, Love's
Friend and Part - ner's will is bet - ter un - der - stood, that
ech - oes sound and God is found, hid in the com - mon - place.
all should share, cre - ate, and care, and know that life is good.

4. So in a hundred names, each day we all can meet a presence,
sensed and shown at work, at home, or in the street.
Yet every name we see, shines in a brighter sun;
In Christ alone is Love full grown, and life and hope begun.

Brian Wren, 1973

English Folk Tune
Arranged by Frederick Sheppard, 1915

Milkshakes & Masterpieces with Youth; Pancakes on Campus



Joys & Concerns

Joy & Thanksgiving

For the joy of spiritual growth together

A full Sunday school with SPSA and La Iglesia kids

Our wonderful and meaningful Lenten devotional guide
Faith & Fun Fridays!

Health & Healing

Andrea's mother, Nancy, undergoing some medical tests

Kris's sister Kathy suffering from lingering Covid symptoms

Eker, healing from a broken thumb

For cousin Denise's Aunt Louise, dealing with pancreatic cancer

For Tony dealing with severe glaucoma

Kathryn DeL, for recovery from persistent illness

Continued prayers for Keyona W, and her treatment for colon cancer

Jen (JJ) G, recovering from surgery

Continued prayer for Morris G's health and spirit

Comfort

For Shirley B, moving into hospice care

For Paige B, mourning the death of her mother

Work & Life

Travel mercies for Aurora

For Julia and her fellow lawyers at the DA's office, after the police and migrant altercations last week

Anthony, studying for the bar

To find a way to be a little more hopeful about all that's happening in the world

Peace & Justice

That the UN's Palestine relief organization (UNRWA) gets the funding necessary to address the humanitarian needs of the Palestinians in Gaza

Prayers for all the people of Palestine

Prayers for refugees here and around the world

For a humane policy for the migrants in our city

For an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and in the Middle East
An end to ethnic cleansing and genocide anywhere it is happening

For the end of violence and suffering in the Israel and Palestine; and all those around the world feeling hopeless as to how to end the carnage.

The U.N., their shelters, and all of the doctors providing care in Israel and Gaza

Peace and understanding in the U.S. among people of all faiths. Intentional prayers that we may all be able to look through other lens in time of strife and war.

Gaza, Israel, Ukraine, Afghanistan, all suffering places around world

For an end to violence in our city



Prayer requests

Scan this QR code to share your joys and concerns, or write them on the back of a Connection Card available at the Welcome Tables. Each week, our staff prays for our community and invites prayers from all. If you do not wish for your prayer to be shared with the church community, please indicate your desire with your prayer.

Sunday Worship & Sunday School



Migrant Monday Resource Fair



Shrove Tuesday: Pancakes at the Parsonage



Ash Wednesday



Who's Who

Pastors

Rev. Dr. K Karpen*
Rev. Lea Matthews*
Andrea Steinkamp*

Director of Operations

Brent Ness*

Facility Manager

Christopher Trombley

Minister of Music

Dr. Frank Glass*

Youth & Campus Pastor

Ekama Eni*

Seminary Interns

Aurora Celestin, Pearl Vercruysse

Bookkeeper

Jennifer Serrano*

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Robert Harris, Revelle Harper,
Ken Lucian, Hector Pagan,
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Putting Love in Action

Devotionals pick up your very own copy of the Lent Devotional, or sign up for daily emails at eepurl.com/dkdyqT

40+ Days of Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is a form of meditation that can transform lives through helping us quiet our “monkey minds”, let go, and become available to the Divine source. This introduction to the contemplative Christian tradition will be led by our very own Kate Baum. *Feb 14-Mar 28 from 7-7:15am on Zoom*
Meeting ID: 88507997676
Password: 070774

Connect & Care 7.0 Registration is open for our spiritually supportive small groups, which are essential to our community, increasing us in love, connection, and faith. There is a variety of options for what day and time the groups meet, whether you meet in-person or on Zoom, and if you meet weekly or bi-monthly. You can pick the one that fits your life and schedule. This session starts on Sunday, February 25th and goes through Sunday, June 23rd. Register: loveinaction.churchcenter.com/groups/small-groups

‘Paul Before Agrippa’ Window

Returns The dedication of our restored stained glass window will take place on Sunday, March 3, when the congregation celebrates its 189th birthday. Gianfranco Grande from Partners for Sacred Places will join us to discuss our matching grant and the upcoming capital campaign.

Ongoing Programs

Chancel Choir meets each Sunday at 10am. See Frank for details.

Campus Ministry meets each Monday, 7pm at Broadway Presbyterian (114th). Email Ekama* for additional details.

Pajama Prayers our Tuesday prayer gathering on Zoom at 7:30am. Come as you are with whatever is on your heart. Meeting ID : 831 7700 2923
Phone: 646-931-3860

Pilates with Nancy a strengthening & stretching class on Zoom, Thursdays, 5:30pm. Email Brent* for details.

Kids & Families Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings. Our next Faith & Fun Friday is Mar 10.

Youth Group Email Pastor Ekama* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Young Adults Email Pastor Andrea* for details on upcoming gatherings.

Volunteer Opportunities

Assisting Our New Neighbors Sign up to help with Miracle Monday via Lotsa Helping Hands (tinyurl.com/4et6b662). Accepting clothing Feb 25

Homework Help Tutoring Wednesday evenings (6-7pm). We are working with many new arrivals, and we could use your help. Please see Charlene (charlenefloyd@aol.com)

TOP Clubhouse volunteers help members as they complete tasks alongside program staff to fulfill the work of the Clubhouse and build confidence and self-esteem, and alleviate isolation, To volunteer, email mrahman@goddard.org

Other Good Stuff in the Building Carnegie Hall Citywide

- Feb 25 (Sun), 4pm: Joseph Parrish, bass-baritone & JoyAnne Amani, piano
- Mar 8 (Fri), 7pm: Meghan Kasanders, soprano & Dror Baitel, piano