



St. Paul's on-the-Hill

Sunday, March 8th, 2026

3rd Sunday in Lent

10:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome to those who are new or visiting today—we're glad you're here.

Children and youth go straight to the Parish Hall for Sunday School upon arrival at the church. For children who prefer to stay with their parents, activity packs are available from our ushers.

Processional: **Be Still for the Presence of the Lord**

Call to Worship

Priest: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: **And also, with you.**

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day (*together*)

Father of mercy, alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

We Hear God's Word

God invites us to hear His word.

First Reading: 1 John 1:5-10

Reader: Esther Laiman

Gospel: Luke 18:9b-14

Reader: Dave Hamilton

Sermon: Rev. Canon Judy Herron-Graham

Musical Meditation: **Lord, Have Mercy Upon Me**

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: David Karram

Confession and Absolution

God invites us to confess our sins.

The Peace of Christ

God calls us to renewed relationship with others.

Offertory: We Lay our Broken World CP 613

God invites us to share our treasures.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer and anointing are available every Sunday in the lobby during communion.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

The Lord's Prayer (*Sung*)

The Breaking of the Bread

Priest: We break this bread,

All: **Communion in Christ's body once broken.**

Priest: Let your Church be the wheat which bears its fruit in dying.

All: **If we have died with him, we shall live with him; if we hold firm, we shall reign with him.**

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Communion Hymns:

1. **Wonderful, Merciful Saviour**
2. **Still**
3. **Be Unto Your Name**
4. **Christ Beside Me**

Prayer after Communion:

Priest: Glory to God,

All: **Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God, from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Closing Blessing

God sends us into the world, under His blessing.

Recessional: **Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing** CP 354

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

8 am Service Book of Common Prayer, p. 67

Opening hymn **Lo, God is Here! Let Us Adore** CP 328

Offertory hymn **The King of Love My Shepherd Is**

CP 520

Recessional hymn **Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

CP 354

Readers:

1st Reader: Herb Boland

2nd Reader: Denise Boland

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week at St. Paul's – Upcoming Services

Palm Sunday (Mar. 29): 8am and 10am
Maundy Thursday (Apr. 2): 7:30pm only
Good Friday (Apr. 3): 11:00am only (Nursery & Children's Program)
Easter Sunday (Apr. 5): 7:45am (Traditional Service with communion) 9:00am (Simple Children's Program) 11:00am (Holy communion with Sunday School & Easter Egg Hunt)

Women at St. Paul's – Lunch at the Mandarin

The Women at St. Paul's warmly invite you to join them for a relaxed lunch and time of fellowship at the Mandarin Restaurant, **1725 Kingston Road, Pickering**, on **Thursday, March 19 at 11:30am**.

All are welcome to gather and enjoy a meal together. To RSVP, please email: women@stpaulsonthehill.com or call the church office at 905-839-7909.

Finding God in the Wilderness: A Lenten Teaching Series | Tuesdays in Lent

In-person at the church (1:00pm – 2:15pm)
Online via Zoom (7:30pm-8:45pm)

Remaining Sessions:

March 10: *Exile Encounters with God in the Wilderness*

March 17: *Singing in the Wilderness*

March 24: *Jesus' Wilderness Tests (or Traps)*

March 31: *Faithfulness in the Wilderness Leads to Rest*

To register, sign up in the narthex or email our parish administrator at officeadmin@stpaulsonthehill.com.

Youth Group Adult Leaders Needed

Our Youth Group is growing, and we are looking for caring adults who would be willing to journey alongside our teens.

This ministry is focused on building friendship, having fun, and creating space for our youth to put their faith into action. We are seeking adults who are willing to be a steady, encouraging presence — no special expertise required, just a heart for young people.

If you have a passion for walking with the next generation and would like to learn more about serving as a Youth Group leader, please speak with Pastor Mabel.

Thank you for prayerfully considering being part of this important ministry.

Help Us Fill the Eggs! 🐣 – Easter Egg Hunt Donations

Our parish Easter Egg Hunt is coming soon, and we would love your help to make it a fun and memorable day for our children and families!

To prepare for the day, we hope to fill about **300–350 Easter eggs**, and we would be very grateful for your support.

We are collecting small surprises to place inside the eggs:

- Small toys or trinkets that fit inside a plastic Easter egg (stickers, erasers, small figurines, stamps, temporary tattoos, etc.)
- Treats that are **nut-free** and **individually wrapped**

Please make sure all food items are safe for children with allergies.

You can place your donations in the marked collection box at the church entrance by **March 22**.

Thank you for helping us extend a warm welcome and share the joy of Easter with every child who joins us. Your generosity helps make the day bright and memorable for all!

Dog Sitter Needed

If you have a recommendation for a reliable dog sitter who may be available after Easter, please contact Pastor Judy at 289-251-4251 or by email at j.herrongraham@outlook.com

Altar Flowers

If you would like to celebrate a special occasion or remember a dear loved one by sponsoring the flowers in the vases at the altar, please contact Barb Thompson at 289-923-0045 or barbthompson@rogers.com. **The cost is \$75.**