

**2025**

**St. Paul's Community Church**

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# St. Paul's Newsletter

## THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Happy New Year

Like the advent of Christmas, the New Year is a great time to reflect on the past 365 days. You have heard it said, "Hindsight is 20/20" so the new year affords an opportunity to appreciate

all the good things that we have

experienced in 2024 and reflect on what we might have done differently.

I think you'll agree with me that 2024 has been a difficult year for all of us; politics were stressful, jobs have been lost, relationships have been interfered with, our health has suffered. Through all the uncertainty, we have seen the hand of God leading our church and our lives. With every answered prayer God showed His compassion and care.

As we face the uncertainty of 2025, I want to encourage you with the Word found in Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me."

The moving of God in our lives increases our capacity

to grow in all aspects.

In the words of

Dianna Ross, "Ain't no mountain high enough, ain't no valley low enough", no circumstance that we cannot conquer or traverse. Our God is bigger than our circumstance!

The experiences over the years have equipped us and positioned us for victories that will transport us to the vistas of God's glory even while we live on this earth. I pray for each one of you a Happy and Blessed 2025.

*Pastor Kim*

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## **Combined Event! Red Hats and Christian Women of Faith!**



This month we are going to combine the Red Hats and the Christian Women of Faith together for a wonderful activity!

### **Movie Day and Lunch!**

**Date:** Saturday, January 18

**Time:** 10:15am for the movie (10:00am at the church)

**Where:** Bette, Katie and Susan's movie theater!  
THERE WILL BE POPCORN!

**Movie:** *One Night With the King*

This movie is a follow-up to Pennyrae's WOF lesson about Esther!

"Born of slaves, a young Jewish woman named Hadassah (Tiffany Dupont) becomes part of the harem of powerful King Xerxes (Luke Goss). Simultaneously, a close adviser to the king hatches a plan to exterminate the Jews. Hadassah, now called Queen Esther, must find the courage to step forward and save her people from annihilation."

**Lunch:** 1:00pm at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse  
Denver West (14245 W Colfax Avenue)

**RSVP** NLT Thursday, January 16 - Open for 22 ladies!



## **New Year's Resolutions**

- 1. Make Resolutions**
- 2. Forget Resolutions**
- 3. Try again next year.**

## January Bible Studies

Bible Studies will return January 7th for the Tuesday Evening class and January 9th for the Thursday morning class. Both classes are doing "Journey of a Lifetime," a guided study through the entire Bible! If you have ever been curious about Bible Study this would be an excellent time to come join us!

## Christmas De-Decorating!

Saturday, January 11 will be our church de-decorating! We will meet at 9am and pack Christmas away for another year. Come and join us and it will be quick work, or come for the coffee, cappuccino and donuts!

## Quad-demic

The country is in the midst of what some are calling a Quad-demic, the rise of four viruses at once. Flu, RSV, Norovirus and Covid are all on the rise. Doctors suggest getting enough rest, eating well, and remembering to wash your hands often! If you get sick, use over-the-counter medications to control the symptoms. If you struggle with breathing, having the strength to care for yourself, or cannot keep food down, then you should go see a doctor!

We have several in our Church family who have already been hit with some of these viruses, and the pneumonia that can sometimes set in as a result. Please keep them in your prayers as they recover.



**May all your troubles  
last as long  
as your New Year's  
Resolutions!**

## Church Council (Clark)

Let me begin by thanking the Council and St. Paul's parishioners for allowing me to serve as your President. I have decided not to seek re-election to the Council for "new blood" always brings fresh new talent to the church. I've asked the Council if I may serve as a general council member and it was agreed I could.

Thanks to Gary, we now have a contractor who will plow the parking lot for \$100.00 a session. Pastor Kim said he could plow up to 3 inches on Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings in preparation for bible study groups. If over 3 inches of snow, there will be an additional fee.

Our thanks to Mike who made repairs to the ice machine located in the kitchen refrigerator.

Please join us on Saturday morning, January 11th at 9:00 to de-decorate the church sanctuary. It is always a time of fun and fellowship and "many hands make light work".

The 2025 budget was approved by the membership on December 15th. Our annual meeting is January 19th, 2025.



## SERMONS AND SCRIPTURE



**January 5**

**"We Three Kings"**

Psalm 84:1-4  
 Ephesians 1:3-6  
 \*Matthew 2:1-12

**January 12**

**"Fire and Water"**

Psalm 29  
 Acts 8:14-17  
 \*Luke 3:15-22

**January 19**

**"Jars of Clay"**

Psalm 36:5-10  
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11  
 \*John 2:1-11

**January 26**

**"Scroll Up"**

Psalm 19:7-14  
 1 Corinthians 12:12-20  
 \*Luke 4:14-21

\*Message Scripture

## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

6 Patty J

14 Marty D

1 Keith and Jane A

10 Joshua S

15 Mark C

3 Derrick and Susan V

12 Steven H

16 Cindy S

14 St. Paul's Community Church  
 (started 1894)



St. Paul's WiFi Password: community

# January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>5</b> Team 4 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9:00am Christmas De-decorating! 
<b>12</b> Team 5 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	<b>13</b> 6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice	<b>14</b> 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	<b>15</b> 6:30pm Church Council	<b>16</b> 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 10:15am Red Hats AND Women of Faith! Movie and Lunch! (10am carpool @ church)
<b>19</b> Team 6 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b> 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Team 1 10:00am Worship Service Fellowship after Worship <b>Newsletter Items Due</b>	<b>27</b> 6:30pm Choir and Praise Practice	<b>28</b> 10:00am Quilters 6:30pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 10:00am Thursday Morning Bible Study	<b>31</b>	

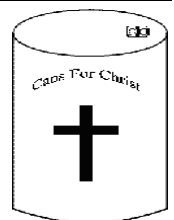
## December Attendance

Worship Service	Tuesday Bible Study	Thursday Bible Study
December 1: 49	December 3: 14	December 5: 19
December 8: 59	December 14: 13	December 16: 22
December 15: 68	December 17: 15	December 19: 21
December 22: 72		
December 29: 56		
Men's Prayer Breakfast December 4: 10		
Women of Faith December 4: 15		
Red Hats December 9: 13		
Christmas Eve Candlelight December 24: 72		
Noon Year's Eve Party December 31: 32		



### Gans for Christ (Shauna)

Starting Balance 11/1/2024	\$ 0.07
Income	\$ 23.40
Outgoing (Christmas Families)	\$ <u>-23.00</u>
Ending Balance 11/30/2024	\$ 0.47





## Cans for Christ - 2024 at a Glance

Hello St. Paul's Family,

I know you see a Cans for Christ report in the newsletter every month. I wanted to take a minute to let know what this is really about, and what we as a church have done in the past year.

First, it starts with everyone bringing all your rinsed empty aluminum cans to the church. Second, I bring all the cans to Action Recycling, and get money for them. Finally, we give the money we made from the cans to our missions every month.

Here is a monthly breakdown of all the missions we were able to support this year.

January None

February \$17.00 Feed the Children

March \$19.00 Convoy of Hope

April None

May \$32 Gideons

June \$40 Blue Bench

July \$60 Action Center (School Supplies)

August \$27 Tennyson Children's Home

September \$29 Compassion International

October None

November \$23 Action Center

December \$23 Christmas Families

That is a total of \$270!

That is a lot of money from empty aluminum cans. Thank you for all your cans and lets continue to support all of our church's missions this year with even more cans.

Thank you! Shauna





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## **MISSION MOMENT (PASTOR KIM)**

"Souper Bowl for Action Center"

For many years St. Paul's has joined hundreds of churches around the country to restock the many depleted food banks. From Thanksgiving to Christmas our food banks have been strained trying to meet the needs in our communities. Since its humble beginnings in 1990, the organization has raised over \$198 million in food and funds, directly benefiting local hunger-relief charities. The Action Center benefits from St. Paul's at least three times a year - Souper Bowl in January, School Supplies in July, and Thanksgiving Turkeys in November. Please help in this much needed local mission.



**Missions**