

Word from **Our Pastor**

Don't forget one service at 10am begins in May.

Thanks to Janet and her helpers for making the Easter Brunch so special. Also, thanks to Donald, Jarod, the choir and everyone who made the Easter and Holy Week services wonderful as always.

I know one service will be an adjustment for many in this congregation, but your council feels it is the way to proceed. It will be the first time I have had one permanent worship service in my ministry. I like two for selfish reasons because I love everything about the worship experience especially children's sermons and the main sermon. I jokingly say that if the sermon was bad at the early, I could change it for the better at the late or I just have two bad sermons. At least as I say before you get bored it is over. Over twenty years ago I remember the shocked look when in less than ten minutes my sermon was over. Of course, I talk fast so that could stretch to twenty for a normal person speaking.

This is my fourth church and the first one where we have gone down in attendance and the at first three, we were supposed to go down but didn't but here for various reasons (covid not helping) we have.

Statistics show that going to one service is a mistake and we will never have the attendance that two services would bring us. I want to prove those numbers to be wrong, but it will take all of us to make that happen The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the most positive message in the world and in each of our lives. Times have changed and more people stay home than go to church worldwide. Many more say they don't believe anything. I have unfortunately buried more people than have joined St. Paul's and these were the members who were here every Sunday. As a liturgical church we have a narrow window of potential new (cont.)

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