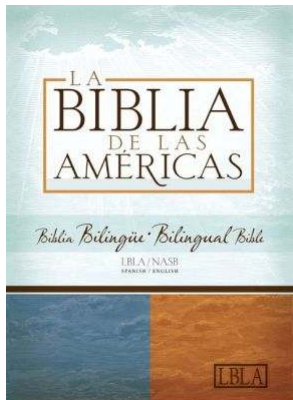


Bilingual Bibles



We are seeking to purchase new Bilingual LBLA-NASB Bibles, in order to help individuals for whom Spanish is their first language to participate in worship, Sunday school classes, and Bible studies more fully and more easily.

This is the same translation that the Conrad Weiser Ministerium recently purchased for Bethany Children's Home in order to aid the chaplain in sharing the Good News with persons for whom English is not their first language. In this bilingual translation, the Spanish and English are listed side by side (in parallel columns), which will help an English speaking person (such as our pastor) better help a Spanish speaking person understand and reference a scripture passage.

It is further hoped that persons who are of Hispanic heritage regardless of language will feel that much more welcome and invited at St. Paul's, knowing that we are sensitive to language barriers and want to help all persons grow in a living relationship with the loving Lord God, enabling them to more fully see and experience: *No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!*

We do not anticipate a great need for many bilingual Bibles, and as such, we are only planning on getting four Bibles at this time.

The Bibles will be imprinted with "St Pauls United Church of Christ" on the front cover.

There is no NRSV bilingual translation available. Currently the closest translation available to what we use is the LBLA-NASB, hence the reason for choosing that translation.

About the Translations:

LBLA

Completed in 1986 by a team of Latin American evangelical Bible scholars, La Biblia de las Américas (LBLA) is an original work translated from the Hebrew-Aramaic and Greek directly into modern Spanish. Modern Spanish grammar and language have been used to produce a text of high literary quality that is easy to read and understand. LBLA presents the Word of God in a clear and flowing style while maintaining accuracy. Following the same principles of translation set for the NASB, La Biblia de las Américas is understandable to the general public and also suitable for serious study, preaching, and daily reading.

NASB

Since its completion in 1971, the New American Standard Bible (NASB) has been widely embraced as "the most literally accurate English translation" from the original languages. The NASB is a more direct word for word translation than that of the RSV, NRSV, or KJV. In 1995 the NASB was updated, increasing clarity and readability. Vocabulary, grammar, and sentence structure were carefully reviewed for greater understanding and smoother reading

You are invited to sponsor a Bible. Sponsorships are **\$30.00** per Bible. Written within the front of the Bible, sponsors may also have a Bible donated in honor/memory of someone.

As we are only getting four English-Spanish bilingual Bibles at this time, there are only four sponsorship forms. To sponsor one of these four Bibles, contact the church office at Office@sprucc.org or 610-621-5770 to request a "Bilingual Bible Sponsorship" form.