



Mural in Decorah, Iowa

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Paul's Bazaar November 11, 2017

Are you new to St. Paul's Bazaar? We sell baked goods, vintage items and homemade crafts. In addition we serve a delicious quiche-bake lunch. The proceeds from the bazaar fund the Women of St. Paul's, who in turn purchase many items for the church, such as coffee and toilet paper. Look for sign-up sheet in October, In the meantime, see Diane if you have questions.

2nd Sunday Offering

Our Second Sunday offering on September 10 will be to purchase large-print Bibles for residents of KODA, our local Senior Care, Rehabilitation, and long-term care home. The Bibles cost \$15 each; we hope to raise enough to purchase 20. We will put a frontspiece inside the cover of each Bible, stating that it was purchased with donations from Saint Paul's Episcopal Church.

The Walk to End Alzheimer's September 17, 2017

Most of us have been touched by Alzheimer's in some way. One way you can help end this terrible disease is to join the Walk to End Alzheimer's on **Sunday, September 17 at 1:00 in Morehouse Park.** For more information talk to Gretchen.

Have you heard?
St. Paul's is getting a new website! Look for the rollout later this month.

Vestry Notes

Vestry did not meet in August as Fr. Michael was on vacation. Gary Johnson has trimmed the bushes around church to give the painters clearance for painting which started on August 29. Next meeting: September 7, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Hurricane Harvey

From the Episcopal Relief and Development website:

"Now is the time to offer financial support. Contributing to Episcopal Relief & Development will ensure that we have enough resources to support the work of our church partners as they serve the most vulnerable in their communities. They are best positioned to assess needs and timing for response efforts.

"One of the immediate ways Episcopal Relief & Development and our partners help individuals is by handing out gift cards to local stores so that people can choose what they need the most. It not only affords people dignity it also helps stimulate the local economy, which needs to recover post-disaster. Learn about the other ways we assist during the disaster."

**FALL
PROGRAMMING
STARTS ON
SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 10**

Sunday School

Sunday school for pre-school and school-aged children will once again take place during worship starting September 10. There is no formal registration, but we encourage a commitment to regular attendance. However, we understand that life doesn't always work that way. Please come! See Gary Johnson if you have questions.

Choir

Did you know that singing changes the brain? Some studies show that when we sing, our bodies release hormones that reduce anxiety and stress. Another study indicates that when a group of people sings together, their heartbeats actually synchronize with each other.

If you'd like to get in sync with your fellow St. Paulites, join Kathy and the other members of St. Paul's choir at 8:45 on Sunday, September 10. For more information, talk to Kathy Brittain.

Cleo's MEWSings

Here it is September already!
What happened to summer?
My favorite thing is laying in a
patch of sunshine and each day
there is less and less of that.
Kids are going back to school,
time to get back in the routine!

Lots of people spent lots of time
at the cabin, "up north" and on
vacation. I wouldn't ever try to
list them all. Most interesting
one I heard about was Gail
and Pat Plathe babysitting
the chickens. Yes, really, the
chickens! They were really
cute, maybe you saw them on
facebook. Fr. Michael is back
from his vacation to England
and Scotland. Will be good to
have him back. Deacon Steve
Judd and Gretchen Pickeral did
a great job filling in for him.

Hope you got to the fair and
saw the blue ribbons won by
Mollie Gfrerer and Janet Dixon
for knitting, Leslie Seykora
for her beautiful quilt and
LeAnne Alt won a bunch for her
photography. I was impressed!
Luca, Chloe and Tate Gfrerer
also won blue ribbons for
their baking. I got a taste and
they are excellent bakers.
Also hear that Janet's afghan
won champion and will be a
donation item at the bazaar.
Buy some tickets and maybe
you will win.

Some St. Paul parishioners
headed south to watch the
eclipse. I know Steve Smith and
Sheryl Keith went as well as
Leann Alt and Gary Johnson.
Leann said it was awesome!

Only wedding I heard about
was Maggie and Pete Dixon's
granddaughter Mystery. She
was married the end of July and
people in attendance report it
was lovely!

Kids are heading back to
college. It was lovely having
them around a bit this summer.
Jackie Warehime, Ellie Boisen,
The Chalmers family from Austin,
the Brave Heart family, and Kathy
and Jenni Brittain all provided
lovely music for church services
this summer while the choir was
taking a break. All were a treat
for our ears!

Also heard Zeke Erickson is off
to Gustavus and will be playing
football as a starter. Our best
wishes go with you, Zeke! Be
careful and don't get hurt!

Please keep the family of Helen
Durand in your prayers. Helen
died peacefully in her sleep on
August 13th at the age of 96.
She was very proud of her 96
years! Her service will be at St.
Paul's on Monday, September
25th. We have many memories
of Helen to share.

Also keep Diane Sptizack in your prayers as she recovers from hip replacement surgery. You can't keep her down—heard she and her walker has rejoined the knitters on Mondays! Also needing our prayers is Carol Webster who is recovering from cataract surgery.

Please keep Jackie and Pete Ostlund's grandson Jackson in your prayers. He is in Afghanistan working for a private security force. Be safe, Jackson!

Oh, almost forgot! Gayle Kozelka has a new grandson! Little Rory Richard was born on August 15th. He was a little early and is tiny but doing well. Bet if you ask, she has pictures! And speaking of babies, hasn't little Isaac been a joy to have in church? He is real competition for attention! Just love watching him.

That is all the news I have for you. Send your news to Cleo and I will share with everyone next month.

Love, Cleo!



BITS AND PIECES

Many Thanks to all the St. Paulites who helped bake, prepare and serve at the San Jose Obrero service.

Thanks to all who provided music over the summer!

Cyrus and Ambry would like to thank St. Paul's for the scholarships to music camp.

The Love in Action team needs \$5 gas cards.

And . . . Don't forget your food pantry donation

From the Self-Guided Tour Brochure

20. Lecture Chair

Given by Mrs. Samuel Collins of Windom, MN, in memory of her husband Samuel Collins (1828-1882), a former member of the parish and Senior Warden. He was born in Norfolk, England, and died in Windom, MN. Mr. Collins was a millwright and during his life, he built mills in Owatonna and Windom, MN.

This chair, and most of the chancel furniture, was designed by Spencer A. Perceval, Esq., of England.



Summer 2017

September 2017

Lay Schedule

| Date | Lay Reader | Lector | Chalice | Ushers |
|---------|------------|--------|---------|------------------|
| Sept 3 | Kristin | Gary | Janet | Pete and Maggie |
| Sept 10 | Julianna | Leanne | Steve | Terri and Marty |
| Sept 17 | Scott | Mary | Francy | Pete and Maggie |
| Sept 24 | Jackie | Matt | Janet | Mike W. and Gary |
| Oct 1 | Mark | Nan | Maggie | Steve and Sheryl |
| Oct 8 | Kristin | Maggie | Janet | Julie and Gayle |
| Oct 15 | Julianna | Mary | Steve | Terri and Marty |
| Oct 22 | Scott | Gary | Francy | Pete and Maggie |



If you make a schedule change,
please leave a message on the church

Coffee Committees

September

Gail Plathe
Janet Dixon
Nan Gjerdahl
Carol Peterson
Jodie Ruehling
Kristin Warehime
Deb Carlson
Terri Hottmann
Julianna Skluzacek

October

Julie Conlin
Gail Kozelka
Julianna Skluzacek
Maggie Dixon
Deb Buck
Sheryl Keith
Carol McKernan
Jan Robran
Bernie Reisenauer
Julia Miller
Sharon Kramer

Altar Guild

September

Robin McKey
Betty Kristo

October

Janet Dixon
Joanne Peterson
Steve Judd

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