



April 2019

Keeping in Touch

Newsletter of the St. Paul Lutheran and Catholic Community of Faith

Holy Week Services

April 18
Maundy Thursday 7 pm

April 19
Good Friday 7 pm

April 20
Vigil of Easter 8 pm

April 21
Easter Sunday 10:30 am



Our Mission

St. Paul Lutheran and Catholic Community of Faith nurtures a diverse people – seeking understanding together – in a welcome and sacred space – actively engaged in service to others.

Who We Are

Saint Paul Community of Faith is an open, affirming and diverse community of faith representing two Christian traditions, that of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and that of the Ecumenical Catholic Community.

Each tradition maintains and honors its own heritage, and each worships according to its own liturgical practices. As one community of faith, the members of the respective traditions work together in social outreach and shared hospitality.

Together, we rejoice in the manner in which diversity has enriched, nurtured and challenged the life and ministry we share in Christ and regret actions and attitudes throughout the Church that may have inhibited or prevented access to Word and Sacrament because of age, race, socio-economic or marital status, physical or mental capacities, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

We are a Reconciling in Christ Community.

Church Staff

The Rev. Barbara Berry Bailey | Lutheran Pastor

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Join Us Often During Holy Week

HOLY WEEK BEGINS on April 14 with Palm Sunday Worship at 10:30. We'll gather in the courtyard (weather permitting) and be led into the church by the choir singing, waving palms and celebrating the triumphant return of Jesus to Jerusalem.

On Wednesday, April 17 a prayer vigil will be held in the Nave from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. There will not be an organized service that day, but the Nave will be open to all who wish to take part.

Maundy Thursday, April 18, will be observed with worship at 7 p.m.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross begins at noon, and there will be a worship service at 7 p.m.

Easter Vigil will start at 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 20.

Easter Brunch is served from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. on April 21, and at 10:30 a.m. our entire community will come together with shouts of 'Alleluia!' and 'He Is Risen Indeed!' in glorious celebration of Christ's triumph over death and rising from the grave.

New members will be welcomed during Easter Worship.

Check the weekly News & Notes email for more information about more Holy Week activities and celebrations.

— **Lin Holly**

Adult Forum Spring Schedule

Please join us on Sunday mornings at 9:15 downstairs.

April 7: New Eyes on the Catechism continues

April 14: Palm Sunday — New Eyes on the Catechism

April 21: Easter Sunday — no Adult Forum

April 28: Treasurer Aaron Oberg presents preliminary budget for discussion (in the West Room)

May 5: Father Michael Nicosia presents an overview of the ECC from its origins to its presence at St. Paul

May 12: Report from Synod Assembly

May 19: Colfax Marathon — no Adult Forum

May 26: Aaron Oberg presents the proposed budget for discussion (in the West Room)

June 2: Annual Congregational Meeting

June 9: Pentecost

Adult Forum resumes in the Fall. Jim and Maryann want to thank all those who led discussions, prepared talks, and participated faithfully all year. We were especially grateful to our new leader, Pastor Barbara, and for the continuing presence of Father Don.

Jim Harrer and Maryann O'Brien, Education Ministry Co-Chairs



Lunch Bunch 2019

April 4: Moosehill
Cantina 11911 W.
Colfax, Lakewood

May 2: Imperial
Chinese Seafood, 431
S. Broadway, Denver

June 6: Dushanbe
Teahouse, 1770 13th St.,
Boulder

July 11: Church Picnic

August 1: Benihana
3295 S. Tamarac Dr.
Denver

September 5: Euro
Grill, 1025 Rose St.,
Georgetown

October 3: Creekside
Cellars, 28036
Highway 74, Evergreen

November 7: Brio's,
2500 First Avenue,
Cherry Creek

December 5: 240
Union, Lakewood

April Birthdays

Carla McKennett April 3

Joe Rodrick April 3

Carl Jensen April 5

Tatiana Robinson April 5

Janice Ahrendt April 13

Erin Martinez April 16

Ron Thorne April 21

Ron Hoffman April 30



Council Highlights from March 12, 2019

Pastor Barbara's report: She discussed a possibility of a Personnel Committee with chain of command. She will ask for similar documents from her previous church, and Aaron mentioned that he would combine what we already have in personnel matters, like a Policy and Procedures document, and that it be finished and presented to Council within three months.

- Synod Assembly in Albuquerque still needs a male voting member.

Cancellation Procedures: The pastor will decide if St. Paul is closed and will make sure that an announcement goes out via email.

Father Don reported on Food Bridge: Council decided to invite Marin Toscano's Food Bridge to use our kitchen for training immigrant chefs for a trial period of six months after entering into a written agreement. Greg and Jeff would review this agreement and make sure it is cost neutral.

Worship: There will be a follow-up meeting on Saturday, April 13 (the day before Palm Sunday) to discuss procedures for all who serve in the worship at St. Paul: ushers, sacristans, assisting ministers, crucifers, and clergy.

Evangelism: Irene is looking into postcard mailings before Easter to people in zip codes in

St. Paul's neighborhood. She is considering two companies; one from Arizona and one local.

Fellowship: Lenten Suppers and Coffee Hour are in order. Monthly birthday cakes (without names) are being considered. Seder Dinner plans are progressing. Lin and the team will work next month on the Parish Picnic.

Homeless and Hungry Task Force: Lori announced that the work was finished and presented their recommendations: The Community should support five ministries: Metro Caring, Project Angel Heart, Family Promise, Gaylord Street Reach, and Women's Homelessness Initiative. Support should include such tasks as creating a contact sheet for each organization, encouraging financial and in-kind contributions, encouraging individual volunteerism, including each agency in our 2019-2020 mission-based budget. A full report will be published in the St. Paul Newsletter.



Socks for Street Reach!



St. Paul continues to support the mission of (now) Gaylord Street Reach, which provides a warm lunch every Monday for the homeless and hungry in our community.

Our goal: 300 pairs of socks to be delivered to the clients of Street Reach on Easter Monday, April 22.

Our timeline: Bring new, warm pairs of socks to worship services and Lenten soup suppers and place them in the "Socks for Street Reach" basket in the back of the church through Palm Sunday. Thanks!



‘Sweat’ Explores Fraying Bonds at the Factory

Our final show of the season is entitled **Sweat**. For the people of Reading, Pennsylvania, work is so much more than a paycheck – it is the glue that holds the town together. The floor of their central factory is where lifelong friendships are made, where love blooms and where family members work side by side. But, as layoffs become the new norm and a cheaper workforce threatens the viability of the local union, the threads that once kept the community together begin to fray. *Sweat* powerfully contrasts life’s happiest highs with the heart-wrenching struggles of survival. Using

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warm humor and sympathy, this 2017 Pulitzer Prize winner from Lynn Nottage paints a moving portrait of today’s working-class America in decline. We will see this play in the Space Theatre on May 14. Deadline for purchasing a \$35 ticket is April 23. Make your check payable to Rocky Mountain Synod ELCA and write T&T: *Sweat* – St. Paul. Mail it to Dorothy Stenman; 818 Logan Street #1203; Denver, CO 80203-3125. Please remain after the show as Dan Bollman leads a discussion with the cast members and audience.

Book Talk

Our next selection for Book Talk is *Sold* on a Monday by Kristina McMorris. We will meet on April 2 at 7 pm at Bonnie’s home at 480 S Marion Pkwy #1206A. All are welcome. For more information call Bonnie Carlson at 303-722-9892.

Lenten Suppers and Taizé Continue

Our Lenten soup supper and prayer series was scheduled to start on March 13, but Mother Nature had other ideas and that session was canceled. The series began on March 20 with 23 people in attendance. Pastor Barbara facilitated a discussion on prayer, and the

evening wrapped up with Taizé style worship in the Nave. We’ll be continuing this program with soup, salad, bread and drinks each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. until April 10. Please come join us for fun, food, fellowship, discussion and prayer.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
				7pm St Paul Choir rehearsal		5pm Catholic Mass
Lent 5 7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:15am Adult Forum 9:30am Choir warmup 10:30am Lutheran Worship 11:45am Coffee		6:30pm Congregational Council	6:30pm Lenten supper and Taize	7pm St Paul Choir rehearsal		9am SAA quarterly meeting 5pm Catholic Mass
Palm Sunday 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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