



# July 2019

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



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## 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

**The Rev. Don Sutton** | Catholic Pastor

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**Valerie Brown** | Musician

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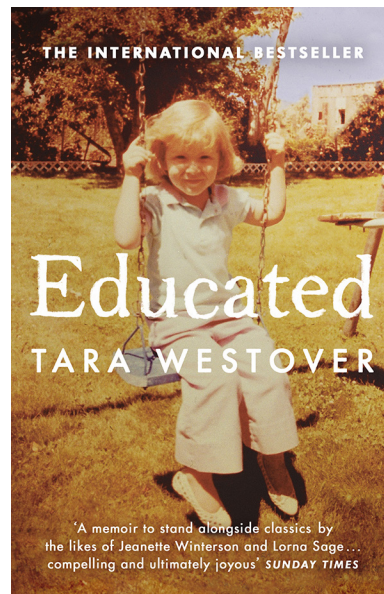
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# Help Us Plan a Church Picnic

Lin Holly is putting together a team of six people to plan and host a church picnic at a time and place to be announced as soon as the planning is complete.

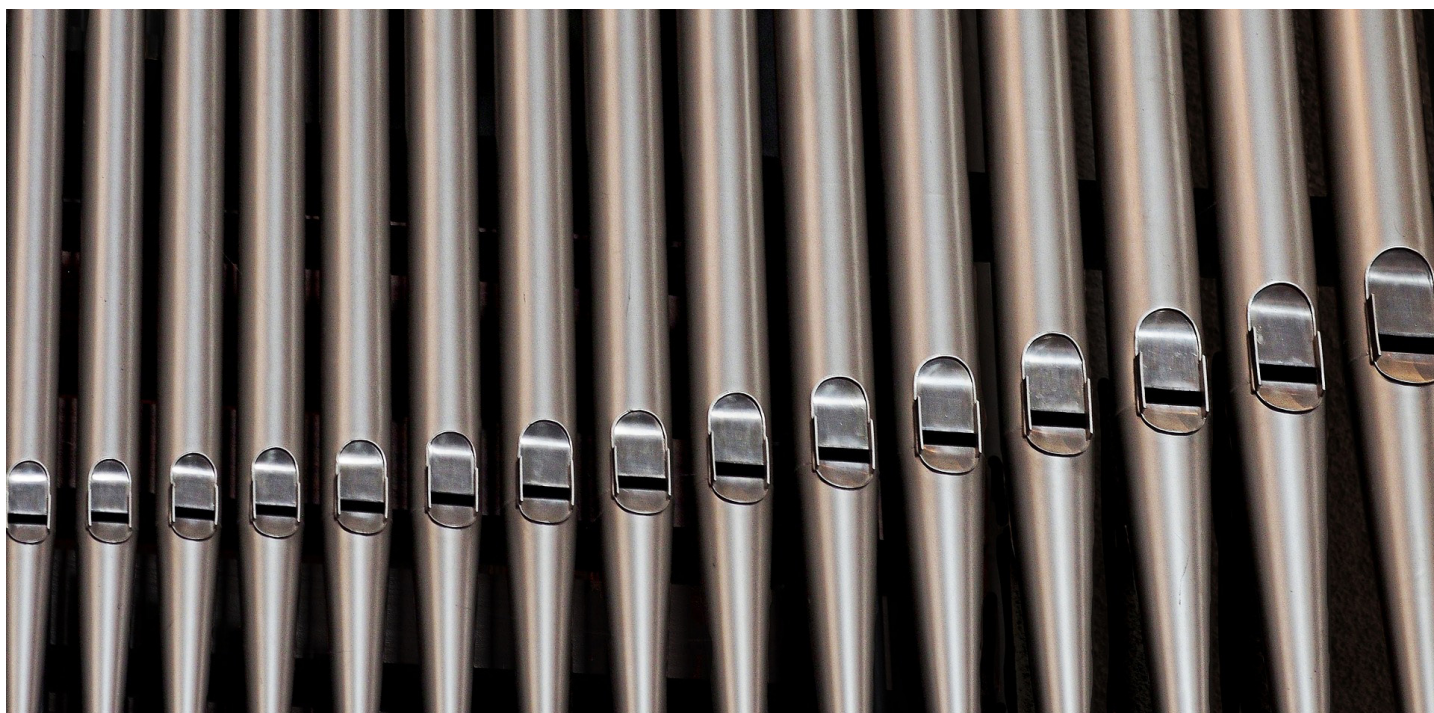
Right now, we still need two more people to round out the team, so if you're interested in helping please either see Lin, email her at [blazerneon@gmail.com](mailto:blazerneon@gmail.com) or add your name to the sign up sheet on the clipboard on the table at the back of the church nearest the water cooler. There will be a minimal number of meetings that will take place immediately after worship on Sundays or Saturday.

Thanks for your help.



## Book Talk

Book Talk's next selection is *Educated* by Tara Westover. We will meet on Tuesday, August 6 at 7 pm at Bonnie Carlson's home, 480 S Marion Pkwy, 1206A. For more information call Bonnie at 303-722-9892.



## MUSIC AT ST. PAUL

# St. Paul Hosts AGO Hymn Festival

The 2019 Southwest Regional Convention of the American Guild of Organists will be in Denver this year from Sunday, July 7, through Wednesday, July 10, and one of the programs will be a Hymn Festival at Saint Paul Church on Monday morning, July 8, at 8:30-9:30 am. Led by Dr. Jan Kraybill, former Executive Director of the Hymn Society, and Jonathan Hehn, Director of the Hymn Society's Center for Congregational Song, the festival will focus on hymns related to the convention theme, Where Mountains Lift the Eye, and the Colorado hymn which inspired that theme. The hymn festival is free and open to the public, so do plan on attending this festive event!

Other free events open to the public during the Convention include:

**Opening Convocation**, Sunday, July 7, at 8:00 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church, with music by the Denver Brass, the Rocky Mountain Ringers, and organist Dr. John Schwandt from the University of Oklahoma. Two new works commissioned especially for the convention will receive their premier performances: a choral

anthem by Emma Lou Diemer for treble voices, piano, and percussion, and a festive work for brass, handbells, percussion, and organ, by Kevin McChesney.

**Organ Recital** by Damin Spritzer, Monday, July 8, at 8 pm at Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral. Spritzer is also on the organ faculty at the University of Oklahoma.

**Choir and Orchestra Concert** on Tuesday, July 9, at 8 pm at Holy Ghost Roman Catholic Church, featuring the Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Colorado and the Saint Martin's Chamber Choir.

**Organ Recital** by Marie-Bernadette Dufourcet-Hakim on Wednesday, July 10, at 8 pm at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. A renowned organist from Paris, France, Dufourcet-Hakim will be playing a varied program, including yet another convention commission, in this instance an organ work by her husband, Naji Hakim. A choral vespers liturgy will follow the recital at the cathedral.

# Council Highlights from June 11, 2019

## Pastor Barbara

- The Jazz Vespers were a great success with many people attending. The donations more than covered the musicians' fees and Pastor Barbara generously used all her airline miles to bring them to Denver. This is an event we may want to do again.
- Have we thought about a "sister parish" here in the Denver area? One of the jazz musicians, Pastor Rich Gianzero, has a church in Commerce City with plentiful parking. We may want to consider some kind of joint venture since parking is such a challenge.
- Mark and Pastor Barbara are traveling to the Hymn Society Conference from July 14th to 18th in Dallas.

## Father Don's Report:

- The Volunteer Appreciation Potluck will probably be held the weekend before Labor Day. Father Don will verify the date of the Volunteer Appreciation Potluck
- Greg Yonker and the ECC Bishop's Call Committee are meeting at the ELCA Synod Offices.

## Treasurer's Report:

- After the annual budget meeting, it became clear that we need to look at the By-Laws and Constitution because the Ministry Team Committee Structure is not clear. We need conversations about the open positions on Council, and the organizational structures of the Catholic and Lutheran congregations.
- Internal vs. external audits. It was moved and seconded that Council direct Aaron and Jeff to receive bids for audits or reviews and report to Council at the next meeting. Passed

## Evangelism and Outreach:

- Pride Weekend: St. Paul Catholics have a booth with other ECC churches. St. Paul Lutheran is sharing a booth with the

Episcopalians at Pride Fest. Anna Hanel got all the marketing done and Liz Couture did the Littering for the Lord with handbills.

- Evangelism meets the first Tuesday of every month. Email Irene to find out that month's location. There will be no July meeting.

## Fellowship:

- The St. Paul Picnic will be the next of the four events being planned by the Fellowship Team. September may be a good possibility
- Lenten Soup Suppers (together with the Education Ministry), the Church Picnic, Christmas Day Brunch and a Mardi Gras Party round out the other occasions.

## Property:

- Greg was able to secure a bid for the elevator door sensor for \$250 instead of the much more expensive \$3,000 bid earlier.
- Lawyers are preparing the roof situation report against Church Mutual. We will still **need a new flat roof.**

## New Business:

- A new member needs to be appointed to the Board of the Foundation to replace Bob McSherry.
- We need to begin identifying possible council members for 2020.
- It was moved and seconded that the Nominating Committee consist of the two pastors (Pastor Barbara and Father Don) and outgoing members of Council Jeff Parrott and Maryann O'Brien. Passed.
- Vacant positions will be President, Secretary, and chairs of Christian Witness (Social Justice,) Worship and Music, and Stewardship.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, July 9th.

***Minutes by Maryann O'Brien, Secretary***



# July Birthdays



<b>Judy Marxhausen</b>	July 9
<b>Michael Peck</b>	July 12
<b>Alfred Garcia</b>	July 15
<b>Michael Wallin</b>	July 20
<b>Betty Woolsey</b>	July 24
<b>Sandy Byrd</b>	July 28
<b>Jonathan Spillane</b>	July 30

## Lunch Bunch 2019

July Lunch Bunch will be held Romano's Pizzeria in Littleton. on July 11, (due to the July 4th holiday on our usual meeting day).

**July 11:** Romano's Pizzeria, 5666 S. Windermere Street. Littleton

**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

## Shopping for St. Paul is Easier Than Ever

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Use your King Soopers shopping card — it will need to be linked to St. Paul. [Click here](#) or go <https://bit.ly/2MdiNt0>

Use your shopping card with every purchase and the King Soopers contribution will be credited to St. Paul.

It is as simple as that! Need help setting it up? Call the office for help from Lori Arias. 303-839-1432



# Proud to Be Present at Pride

By Lin Holly

June was Pride Month and in Denver PrideFest took place the weekend of June 15 and 16 with lots of celebration taking place at Civic Center Park. This year, St. Paul Lutheran and Catholic

DENVER  
PRIDE  
FEST

Community of Faith was again invited to share a booth with our Episcopalian siblings in faith to spread the good news that there are open, welcoming, loving, and reconciling houses of worship where *everyone* is truly welcome.

Volunteers from Lutheran and Episcopal churches all over the Metro Denver area covered shifts and handed out temporary tattoos for kids of all ages,

sunscreen, wristbands, cooling sprays of water and mom hugs to all who needed or wanted them.

There were quite a few comments from people who were very grateful to see us there and thanked us for the mom hugs. Some folks shared a bit of their stories of being kicked out of the church they had grown up in and of being told they were going to go to hell, how painful that was and how they're now beginning to look for a church where they can be themselves and not be afraid. We told each one who shared with us that there are places like that, gave them a list of churches they can explore and reminded them that God loves them just the way they were created: just as they are.







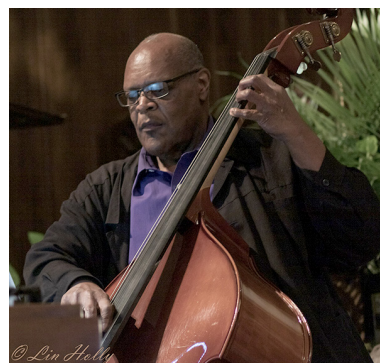
# JAZZ VESPERS

St. Paul's first-ever Jazz Vespers service was held on Sunday, June 9, in celebration of Pentecost and featured music arranged and performed by Barry Sames and his ensemble. The Spirit was definitely present and everyone who attended was very enthusiastic.

Later, during the reception, many were heard asking when we would be doing this again.

If you haven't already, please give your feedback to members of Council or to Pastor Barbara.

**Words and Photos by Lin Holly**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		6pm Rocky Mountain Ringers rehearsal	6pm Rocky Mountain Ringers rehearsal			12noon Wedding rehearsal 5pm Catholic Mass
Ordinary Time 14 7	8	9	10	11	12	13
10:30am Lutheran Worship 11:45am Coffee <i>Sawaged wedding</i>	8:30am AGO Regional Convention hymn festival	6:30pm Congregational Council		Lunch Bunch		5pm Catholic Mass
Ordinary Time 15 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:30am Lutheran Worship 11:45am Coffee						5pm Catholic Mass
Ordinary Time 16 21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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