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Keeping in Touch

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



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And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues.

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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Adult Forum Spring Schedule

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

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

May 12: New Eyes on the Catechism with Pastor Barbara concludes

May 19: Colfax Marathon - No Adult Forum

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

June 2 : Annual Congregational Meeting in the West Room

June 9: Pentecost - No Adult Forum

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**

May Birthdays

Bruce Balliet May 12

Frank Gunn May 19

Rachel Wolfe May 27

George Ertle May 29



Holy Week at St. Paul

Holy Week services began with a procession from the Columbarium into the church on Palm Sunday as we celebrated Jesus' return to Jerusalem.

The church was open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17 for a Prayer Vigil and a Taizé service at 8 p.m.

Maundy Thursday service included foot washing to recall the way Jesus washed

the feet of His Disciples.

Holy Week continued on Good Friday with Stations of the Cross at noon and Worship at 7 p.m. On Holy Saturday, we held our Easter Vigil beginning with a candlelight processional. We had readings from the Old Testament reminding us of how the Earth was created in darkness and then God created Light and all things

on the Earth. Fr. Don led worship that evening and delivered a moving Homily.

Easter Sunday began with brunch and fellowship, followed by worship that included the reception of new members .There were lots of new faces in the crowd. Worship was exciting and a real blessing to all who attended.

Photos and text by Lin Holly

St. Paul Choir Performs Bach Cantata on May 12

On Sunday, May 12, 2019, the Lutheran community's observance of the Fourth Sunday of Easter, often referred to as "Good Shepherd Sunday," will include Johann Sebastian Bach's seldom-performed Cantata #112 sung by the Saint Paul Choir and soloists accompanied by strings, trumpet, and continuo.

Entitled, *Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt* ("The Lord Is My Faithful Shepherd"), the text is drawn entirely from a five-stanza metrical paraphrase of Psalm 23 paired with the chorale melody most often associated with the text, *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr* ("All Glory Be to God on High"), a metrical paraphrase of the Gloria in excelsis, and thus a tune with which Bach's congregation in

Leipzig would have been familiar.

Bach employs that melody in the cantata on the opening chorale fantasia and the closing chorale harmonization, both for choir, while composing entirely original music for the inner three stanzas, an alto aria, a bass recitative, and a soprano and tenor duet, respectively.

Also enhancing the liturgy that morning will be a festive trumpet concerto by Georg Phillip Telemann, another fine German baroque composer who was a contemporary, friend, and, on at least one occasion, rival of Bach. Do plan to attend and invite your friends to join us for this festive liturgy on Good Shepherd Sunday!

Let's All Play the Name Game

You were probably invited to have a name tag made on Easter morning. Because Pastor Barbara is still learning our names and because we've got some new folks worshiping with us, a suggestion was made by Rachel and Andrea that name tags could be helpful, so we're making name tags for everyone and asking that you wear yours each time you come to Worship.

Diane Lundstrom started the effort on Easter morning and will continue until everyone has one. There is a wicker basket on the table by the water cooler in the back of the church where the name

tags will be kept and sorted into alphabetical order so they're easier to find when you enter.

After worship, just put your name tag back in the basket so you can find it next time you come to church. If anyone is interested in helping to write names on the tags or in assembling the name tags, please contact Diane on Sunday morning, she'd appreciate the assistance.

There are also two clipboards at the back of the church where you can PRINT your name and email address so we

Hello
my name is

can make sure that our email list is up to date. If you've changed your email address or haven't been getting emails from the church office (like the weekly News & Notes) please take a moment and help us to be able to get in touch with you and share information. Thanks.

Lin Holly



Socks for Street Reach

Street Reach volunteers John and Eric surround more than 330 pair of new socks donated by members and friends of the St Paul Community of Faith. Street Reach volunteers serve over 250 meals each week. Street Reach leaders announced April 20 that they are closed indefinitely. See the group's website: grantstreetreach.org/home.aspx

Photo by David Carlson



**Andrea
Arey,
left, and
Rachel
Mangan**

Photo by
Lin Holly

Meet Our New Members!

On Easter, St. Paul welcomed two new members to our congregation. We are blessed to welcome Andrea Arey and Rachel Mangan. We asked them to tell us a little about themselves so that we can get to know them.

Andrea Arey

Andrea has served ELCA congregations for nearly 15 years in developing faithful stewards in the areas of physical, emotional and financial wellness. Her current work involves supporting and encouraging healthy leaders. She is excited to work with everyone at St. Paul to serve as God's hands and

feet in our city. As a mother of two married sons, with two grandchildren, Andrea believes in the importance of church as community to help all of us in raising our families.

Andrea travels frequently for her work, but when she is in Denver she rejoices in the traditional liturgy and soaring music of St. Paul. She and her husband, Tim Perlick live downtown.

Rachel Mangan

Rachel lives in east Denver and is an architectural drafter for a company owned by Warren Buffett. She is engaged to be married! Rachel likes the outdoors and enjoys jogging,

fishing, and camping. When we asked her what she likes about the Denver area, she said she loves being near the mountains, and that people here are more accepting than where she was living over the past few years near Pueblo.

Rachel spends a lot of her free time repairing or building things, and she says she's passionate about helping the homeless, especially women.

When we asked what brought her to our church, she said "I was looking for a more accepting church than the one I was going to, and my Auntie, Maryann O'Brien, suggested St. Paul's."

Council Highlights from April 9, 2019

Clergy Reports

- We may have a place to meet during the Colfax Marathon on May 19. It might be the Platt Park Brewery on South Pearl.
- Joe Rodrick is our male lay voting member for Synod Assembly.
- The new members being received at Easter would like St. Paul to wear name tags. This would help new people and our new pastor to learn each other's names more easily.
- The Laradon Mission is another group interested in using our kitchen as a classroom for teaching people with differing abilities about healthy shopping, cooking and eating. This is an established program with high credibility.

Treasurer's Report

There are three months left in the current fiscal year. We are \$4,424 behind our revenue target. We haven't collected enough in weddings, grocery cards, parking rentals, and stretch giving. \$18,500 is the amount we spent less than we had budgeted for some things, especially buildings and grounds.

Aaron asked the council members to rank our ministries in order of importance as we work on our up-coming budget.

Other Reports

- Homeless and Hungry Task Force: Lori announced that we have collected 200 pairs of socks for Gaylord Street Reach.
- Fellowship: Lin asked that each person/group using the kitchen be responsible for cleaning it up completely after using it.
- Property: Greg had the Columbarium gates rekeyed so they can be unlocked from either side.
- Mark presented a history of the Orff Instruments that were given to St. Paul years ago. His proposal is that we have a written agreement between St. Paul and Cristo Rey, where the instruments are now housed, as to use and storage of the instruments. A copy of this agreement would be sent to the Synod Offices.
- King Soopers is changing its reward card procedures. Those with a card will need to follow the directions on a handout that will be in Sunday's worship folder.
- Stewardship Campaign will be four weeks. We need at least four people to give testimonials or temple talks at both services: Saturday and Sunday.

Maryann O'Brien

Book Talk

The next selection for Book Talk is **Becoming** by Michelle Obama. We will meet at Bonnie's home, 480 S Marion Pkwy, #1206A, on Tuesday May 7 at 7 pm. For more information call Bonnie Carlson at 303-722-9892. All are welcome.



Weather Dampens Lenten Soup Suppers

Lenten Supper and Study was canceled due to weather on April 10, so we only met twice this year. Twenty-five people attended each of the other two sessions and were treated to some good soups, enlightening discussion about prayer and inspirational, meditative Taizé worship. Many thanks to everyone who provided food for the mind, spirit and body. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Lunch Bunch

Dine Out for Life with St. Paul Friends

Sixteen members and friends of St. Paul's gathered at the Moosehill Cantina on West Colfax Avenue in Lakewood on April 4 for excellent Mexican food and fellowship.

The Cantina is family-owned and the serving portions generous, tasty, and reasonably priced. The dining space is rather small, so we scrunched our chairs around a long table to fit everyone in. The dessert portions were especially generous; Harriett Powell enjoyed a giant sopapilla.

Lunch bunch is continuing to meet on the first Thursday of each month. On May 2 we're going to get together at the Chinese Imperial Restaurant at 431 South Broadway.

Feel free to contact Lin Holly at blazerneon@gmail.com if you'd like to join us for a great meal and good conversation.

May 2 is also Dining Out for Life, so your lunch will not only benefit you, the Imperial Chinese Restaurant will donate 25% of your bill to Project Angel Heart.

Project Angel Heart will prepare and deliver medically tailored meals to more than 3000 Coloradans living with HIV/AIDS, cancer, kidney disease and other serious illnesses in 2019. This is an easy way to help them continue their work.



Lunch Bunch 2019

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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				7pm St Paul Choir rehearsal	7:30pm Solis concert	Synod Assembly in Albuquerque
Easter 3	5	6	7	8	9	10
Synod Assembly in Albuquerque 9:15am Adult Forum 9:30am Choir warmup 10:30am Lutheran Worship 11:45am Coffee 12 noon Carmen Schindeler Memorial				7pm St Paul Choir rehearsal		9am Bach cantata dress rehearsal 5pm Catholic Mass
Easter 4	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:15am Adult Forum 9:30am Choir warmup 10:30am Lutheran Worship with Bach Cantata 11:45am Coffee		6:30pm Congregational Council		7pm St Paul Choir rehearsal	7:30pm Colorado Repertory Singers Concert	2pm Colorado Repertory Singers Concert 5pm Catholic Mass
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