

MONDAY, JULY 18

4pm River Bend Foodbank meeting

TUESDAY, JULY 19

6:30pm Adult Coloring

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

9:30am Staff meeting
11:30am Book Corner open
12noon Fruit of the Spirit
6pm Adult Children of Alcoholics
6:15pm Men's Bible study
6:30pm Mental health movie night

THURSDAY, JULY 21

11:30am Staff lunch
6pm Centering Prayer
6:30pm Open Spirit ensemble practice
6:30pm 2136 Night at the Ballpark
7pm Congregation council meeting

FRIDAY, JULY 22

SATURDAY, JULY 23

5:30pm Worship

SUNDAY, JULY 24

8am Worship
9am Book Corner open
9:20am Worship
11am Worship

RECENT ISSUES OF CONNECTIONS are available at the Info Center and online at www.stpaulqc.org/connections-flyer.

Printed copies of the Open Spirit service order are available at the usher's station.



Eat. PLAY. Love.

The Bible and Christian tradition have long argued that our chief purpose in life is to glorify God. To glorify God essentially means to applaud God. But applause is not a very productive exercise, is it? At the ballpark, we may have nothing to show for extended applause after a homerun . . . except sore hands and a smile.

Play is not a very productive exercise either, though, Christianly speaking, it prefigures that final state of affairs when we will enjoy celebrating God's kingdom. Play is good for something. Maybe it is even the essence of good. Play means creativity, social agility, and mental suppleness. Even the body language of play is one of curve and embrace rather than straight linear lines.

Play is hardly extravagance or an "extra" in life. Life without play is not much of a life at all. Remember that on your least playful days.

today at st. paul

July 16 & 17 - Pentecost 9

Preaching:
5:30/8/9:20 Peter W. Marty
11:00 Amy Diller

Worship notes:
9:20 Women's Choir
Communion served at all services

Readings: Genesis 18: 1-10a;
Colossians 1: 15-28;
Luke 10: 38-42

next weekend

July 23 & 24 - Pentecost 10

Preaching:
5:30/8:00 Katy Warren
9:20/11:00 Sara Olson-Smith

Worship notes:
Communion served at all services

Readings: Genesis 18: 20-32;
Colossians 2: 6-15 [16-19];
Luke 11: 1-13

Privacy laws prevent hospitals from automatically informing churches of members admitted. You can easily notify our pastoral care staff of a hospitalization: 563-326-3547 x211 or becky@stpaulqc.org.

Our hospitalized: (*released as of July 14)

*Ann Carruthers
Grace Dennhardt
Anna Goodwin
Ray Johnson
*Bob Kilstrom
Sandy Kratz
*John Seeck
*Scott Walker

Birth:

Rose Elizabeth Hamilton, daughter of Jenny & Jay Hamilton, July 9

Death:

Eleanor Ball, July 12

With Sympathy:

Kerri & Kyle Rehn, her grandfather
Melvin Esbaum
Stephanie & Coy Claussen, her grandfather
Melvin Esbaum
Family of Eleanor Ball:
Keith & Charlotte Kline, his sister
Karen Kline & Chris Jerome, her aunt
Mary Ann Wicks, aunt

MY NOTES FROM TODAY

staff connections

PASTORS		LEARNING	
Peter W. Marty	Senior pastor	Ryan Bailey	Director of faith formation
Sara Olson-Smith	Associate pastor	Joanna Roland	Preschool & kids' learning
Katy Warren	Associate pastor	Andy Langdon	Director of youth ministries
Amy Diller	Pastor in residency	Michelle Juehring	Children & family life
Lieseбет Gravley	Pastor in residency	Dana Welser	Neighborhood schools
Ron Huber	Visitation pastor	Tammy Hermanson	Residency administrator
COMMUNICATIONS		Teresa Whitbeck	Childcare coordinator
Ann McGlynn	Director of communication	MUSIC	
Lauren Brown	Artistic director	Chris Nelson	Director of music ministries
Becky Harper	Adm. asst. to sr. pastor	Bill Campbell	Contemporary music
Karen Holden	Book Corner manager	Linda Allebach	Assistant organist
OPERATIONS		Dan Pepper	Youth choir director
Todd Byerly	Operations director	Rosita Tendall	Children's choir director
Paula Durham	Business manager	Margaret Thompson	Children's choir director
Jennifer Garvey	Receptionist		
Tessa Hahn	Business office assistant		
Marcia Robertson	Stewardship coordinator		
Harris Schneckloth	Campus supervisor		
Matt Spencer	Custodial manager		
Jim Akright	Custodial/Maintenance		
Paul Caldwell	Weekend host		
Ron Mullen	Weekend host		
Joe Wollett	Evening host		



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Active faith

"Faith is a living, busy, active, powerful thing," Martin Luther said. We're charged with improving relationships with our neighbor, making the world a gentler, kinder place. How can you be active in love for others? Sign up for these opportunities at stpaulqc.org/signups.



SO ALL MAY EAT MEAL SERVING

Saturday, July 30

Six nights a week, people experiencing food insecurity gather at the Salvation Army at Sixth and Harrison streets in Davenport, for an evening meal. Shoppers buy from a prepared list (reimbursement is available). Cooks gather at about 2 p.m. in the lower-level kitchen to make the meal. Servers arrive at St. Paul at 5 p.m. to load up the food and caravan down to the Salvation Army to serve it.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Saturday, August 13, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

One more date is set to help build a home for a family from Togo. The house, at 1651 W. 17th St., will be the home of Ahlonko Kokou, Afi Amewou, and their son, Ghislain. Volunteers can sign up for the morning or afternoon, and lunch is provided.



MISSION APPALACHIA

October 1-8, 2016

Each spring and fall, St. Paul volunteers travel to rural Appalachia to make homes warmer, safer, and drier for low-income families. Volunteers stay in centers of the Appalachia Service Project. The trip cost is \$325 with an initial non-refundable deposit of \$50.

SUMMER IN CINCINNATI: Ninety kids. Twenty-five adults. One week of serving others. These photos are from the Produce to the People Garden. The garden is part of an initiative called Elevate Walnut Hills, a group of businesses, residents, and communities of faith working together to help their neighborhood raise itself up.



SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP: Please join others for coffee, doughnuts, juice, and conversation in the gathering areas on the main level.

A BLUE BOOK, “Welcome to St. Paul,” is situated in every pew near the aisle seat. Please take a moment to share your name and pass the book. As it returns to you, glance at other names and look for your chance to greet one another after worship. The warmth of your greeting can brighten the whole day.

NURSERY: We believe children belong in worship. But if your child needs a break, please assist other worshipers and seek out our staffed nursery in the “Kid’s Corner” in the Library Commons. Silent pagers available. For nursing moms, a designated room is available to you, just 20 feet left of the elevator.

CHILDREN: Children’s messages are a part of our Sunday services at 9:20 and 11 a.m. Special bulletins are available from an usher. Worship bags for children are at entrances to the Sanctuary.

COMMUNION: The Lord’s Table is open to believers of all Christian traditions. Adults and children who do not commune are invited to come forward, crossing arms upon the chest for a blessing. Communion is distributed by a practice called intinction; please touch your wafer lightly to the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available at all stations. Grape juice is available on Sundays in the pottery chalice at the station furthest left.

FAITH RESOURCES: A library and the nonprofit Book Corner on the main level provide wonderful resources for growing your faith. Check them out.

MEMBERSHIP: A one-session Membership Inquiry Class is offered once each month for those interested in exploring what membership at St. Paul involves. The next opportunity will be on **Saturday, August 20, 9-11:30 a.m.** Childcare is available on request. Sign up online at stpaulqc.org/signups, at the Info Center, or call 326-3547.

DISCOVER & CONNECT

youth

SIGN UP FOR CONFIRMATION: Students entering 7th grade this fall are encouraged to sign up now for St. Paul’s confirmation program. Meeting the first three Wednesdays of each month from September through April, confirmation is key to shaping the faith of middle school students. For more information and registration materials, contact Ryan Bailey: ryan@stpaulqc.org, 326-3547 x224.

adults

2136 GOES TO THE BALLPARK: Young adults (20/30s), meet up for a fun night of ballpark treats, ferris wheel rides and cheering on the River Bandits! Join us on Thursday, July 21, as the QC River Bandits play the Dayton Dragons at 7 p.m. Meet outside the Modern Woodmen Park ticket office at 6:30 p.m. Berm tickets can be purchased that evening or online ahead of time. Consider bringing a blanket and bug spray to make sitting on the berm more comfortable. As always, friends are welcome!

Rachel Holm poloswimmerh20@gmail.com

ADULT COLORING: St. Paul will host an evening of adult coloring on Tuesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m., in the Library Commons. *An Illustrated Earth: Celebrating God’s Creation* will provide the foundation. Completed work will be displayed in the Library Commons. Participants can bring their own coloring supplies, but colored pencils will also be provided. Bring a friend for this relaxing evening of conversation and creating. Light snacks will be available. To sign up, visit stpaulqc.org/signups. Ann McGlynn, ann@stpaulqc.org

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS is an anonymous Twelve Step program for people who grew up in an alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional home, meeting in a mutually respectful, safe environment. Meets every Wednesday, 6-7 p.m., on the upper level of the Education Wing, Room 203.

Dick Jensen, rrjensen65@gmail.com

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY: First and third Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15 p.m. Gather together Wednesday, July 20, for a time of fellowship and study. Meet in the 129 House on the St. Paul campus, corner of Lombard and Main Streets. Jeff Keller, jeff.keller1964@gmail.com

OF SPECIAL NOTE

TODAY, PASTOR LIESEBET GRAVLEY concludes her time in St. Paul’s pastoral residency program, leaving one-year early to pursue a passion for hospital ministry. She will enter a Clinical Pastoral Education program at Lutheran Hospital in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. We pray for God’s richest blessings upon Liesebet’s life, faith, and work. Pastor Amy Diller will continue for the next 12 months as our lone pastoral resident.

BOOK CORNER INVENTORY: The St. Paul Book Corner volunteers have completed the annual inventory. All items for sale inside this non-profit endeavor are priced below retail and without tax; special stickers note items with prices reduced further following last week’s inventory. Stop in to explore fair trade items, greeting cards, and the new book selections, including cookbooks, books on Christian living, and works of fiction.

PRAYER CHAIN works quietly and steadily behind the scenes. If you have a prayer request, call the Prayer Chain. It may be for a problem or illness, or in praise or thanksgiving. No request is too small. Requests are worded for confidentiality. For a prayer request, contact Marge Irwin, 391-3632.

THANK YOU, ST. PAUL PEOPLE, for faithful giving even when you’re absent on different weekends. While summer trips create a natural gap for your St. Paul worship, the continuity of your pledge giving means everything to our operation. Our overall ministry requirements and commitment to outside organizations require \$6,950/day to operate. Yes, per day. That’s our daily ministry budget. Thanks for taking your church and your personal joy in giving so seriously.



HELP IN THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

These plots of plants are grown to feed those who are food insecure. Volunteers are always needed to help with weeding, watering, and tending these veggies, herbs, fruits, and flowers. Contact Matt Schroeder to help, schroeder4rivermont@yahoo.com.

Jazz Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, JULY 31, 9:20 & 11 A.M.

Settle in for the soul-filled music of the ChurchJazz ensemble from Chicago.





MIDSUMMER MENTAL HEALTH

MOVIE NIGHTS

July 20		Good Will Hunting Inside Out
July 27		

Movies start at 6:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.