MONDAY, APRIL 2

Office closed

12:30pm Anna day circle Personnel meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 3

8:45am Preschool Dorcas circle 9am 1:30pm Sarah circle 5:30pm Tools for Caregivers 6:30pm Anna evening circle Residency team meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4

8:45am Preschool 9:30am Staff meeting 12:15pm Staff lunch

5:30pm Adult Children of Alcoholics

6:15pm Men's Bible study 6:30pm Confirmation

6:45pm High school midweek recharge

THURSDAY, APRIL 5

8:45am Preschool

9:30am Heart.Soul.Mind. Bible study

Tanzania trip meeting

12:30pm Ruth circle Private meeting 1pm **CC** Conversations Centering Prayer 6:30pm 2136 young adults Open Spirit rehearsal

FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Preschool 8:45am Moms' Morning

Memorial service/Korsruds

Funeral luncheon 1pm

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

Mental health first aid Prison ministry worship 10am 12noon Private event Book Corner open 5pm 5:30pm Worship 6:30pm Healing liturgy

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

Worship 8am

9am **Book Corner open** 9:20am Worship

10:45am Learning for all ages

11:45am Worship 6:30pm SNL small groups

7:15pm Sunday Night Live

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are available at the Info Center and online at www.stpaulgc.org/ newsstand.



Were it not for Jesus rising from the grave and leaving a vacant tomb behind, there would be no New Testament, no Church, no Christianity. We wouldn't be gathered together this morning around flowers, soaring music, and the awesome news of scripture. We'd be reading the morning paper or putting on garden gloves or shopping for yet more stuff. We certainly wouldn't be here saying, "He is risen!"

Today we celebrate the difference Christ's resurrection makes for our world and our individual lives. If you have no church to call home, no place to be yourself, and nowhere to wrestle with what makes for new life and deep meaning, the St. Paul welcome mat is out for you. Our commitment to serving others generously has more than enough room for you.

today at st. paul ———

April 1 - Easter Sunday

Preaching:

Sara Olson-Smith 8/9:45/11:45 Peter W. Marty

Worship notes:

Chorale

Chorale & Youth Choir Communion served at all services

Readings: Acts 10: 34-43; 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11: Mark 16: 1-8

next weekend —

April 7 & 8 - Easter 1

Preaching:

5:30/11:45 Katy Warren 8/9:20 Ryan Bailey

Worship notes:

Hallelujah Chorus Communion served at all services

Readings: Acts 4: 32-35; 1 John 1: 1—2:2; John 20: 19-31

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@stpaulgc.org.

Hospitalized: (*released as of March 29)

Pete Burks Paul Marietta Debbie Roski *Ruth Sharp

Death:

Jane Siegel, March 26

With sympathy:

Gay Jasper, sister Linda Beadle

connections connections

HALLELUJAH CHORUS — NEXT SUNDAY

Open to all! Singers of every confidence level are invited to join in Handel's Hallelujah Chorus during the 9:20 a.m. service next Sunday, April 8. This great expression of Easter faith is an annual tradition at St. Paul. For this day, join the Chorale under the direction of Nathan Windt. One rehearsal at 8:30 a.m. that same morning in Music Room #2 downstairs.

Contact: Nathan Windt, nathan@stpaulqc.org

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Rejoice and be Glad

Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful people and be crucified and on the third day rise. —Luke 24:5-7



THIS SUNDAY

LEARNING BREAK FOR ALL AGES: Sunday morning learning classes for all ages will be on break this Sunday, April 1, for Easter. Classes will resume next Sunday.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE (SNL), will not meet this Easter Sunday, April 1. Come next Sunday for this youth gathering, 7:15-8:30 p.m. SNL is a strong framework for high school youth to live, grow, and serve joyfully. It's also a fun place to get recharged before school on Mondy morning. Andy Langdon, andy@stpaulqc.org, 326-3547 x228

NEXT SUNDAY

LEARNING FOR ADULTS (10:45-11:30 AM)

- ▶ Bach's Easter Perspectives (Part 1 of 2): The music of Johann Sebastian Bach spans a variety of social and religious functions, including cantatas for church services. This series will address music that Bach wrote for Easter, including two cantatas that take radically different approaches to telling the story of Christ's victory over death. Geared towards musician and non-musician alike. Nathan Windt, associate professor of music at St. Ambrose, and Chorale director. In the Chapel.
- ► Reflecting on the spiritual journey as we grow in years: Aging can become a journey of joy, of awakening and awareness, and wisdom beyond despair. This presentation will explore what elders have taught us and what practices to employ along the way. Elaine Olson, retired pastor and spiritual director. In the Luther Loft.
- ► *The Bible project:* Using just one page of creative illustrations and diagrams, discover the key themes of each book in the New Testament. The book of Joshua with Pastor Josh Kestner. In Room 208.

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 11:45 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 Monday, April 16, 6:30-9 p.m. OR Tuesday, May 15, 6:30-9 p.m. Childcare is available on request. Sign up online at stpaulqc.org/signups, at the Info Center, or call 326-3547

DISCOVER & CONNECT

WOMEN OF THE ELCA: All women of St. Paul are invited. Circle meeting dates/ times, onsite and offsite: Anna (day): April 2, 12:30 p.m. (Heather Gosma's home); Anna (evening): April 3, 6:30 p.m. (St. Paul); Dorcas: April 3, 9:15 a.m. (St. Paul); Explore WELCA: April 26, 7 p.m. (St. Paul); Lydia: April 8, 9 a.m. (St. Paul); Ridgecrest: April 13, 1:30 p.m. (Oakwood Activity Center); Ruth: April 5, 12:30 p.m. (St. Paul); Sarah: April 3, 1:30 p.m. (St. Paul). Cindy Bleich, 355-4850; Karin Hanson, 528-2064, tkmax2502@gmail.com

CC CONVERSATIONS is a first Thursday of the month discussion opportunity open to all, 6 – 7:15 p.m. Discuss faith, politics, and culture with Peter Marty through ideas inspired by articles and news in *The Christian Century* (CC) magazine. Pre-readings for April 5 session are: "Abortion and politics" (p. 7) and "How to talk to climate skeptics" (p. 24ff), both in the 3.14.18 issue of CC. Also read "Religion in public schools disputed" (pp. 22-3) in the 3.28.18 issue of CC. Onsite copies on a special shelf in the library are available for reading.

2136 YOUNG ADULTS: The very first Christians didn't meet in large sanctuaries like we do today. They came together in people's homes to eat with one another as they prayed and sang. Dinner church is a unique worship experience that gathers around a simple meal, filled with food and faith. 2136 (for adults in their 20s & 30s), will do their own version of dinner church on April 5. Meet in Fellowship Hall at 6:30

p.m., where a meal will be provided. Bring a hungry stomach and a hungry spirit. Pastor Kelsey Fitting-Snyder, kelsey@stpaulqc.org

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID: St. Paul will host Mental Health First Aid training on Saturday, April 7, from 9-4 p.m. The class is free and open to the public. Mental Health First Aid is a course that gives people the skills to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. Signup is required at stpaulqc.org/signups. Pastor Sara Olson-Smith, sara@stpaulqc.org

WELCA SPRING GATHERING: The Women of the ELCA will hold their annual spring gathering on Thursday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.–9 p.m. in the Chapel. The evening will include a thankoffering service, a presentation about homelessness, music, desserts, and a business meeting. Sign up at the Info Center. Contact: Judy Skogman, 563-940-4111, or Jan Lloyd, cmljml@q.com.

PRIMETIME 50+ is going to Comedy-Sportz, 220 19th St., Rock Island, for a night of improv laughter on Friday, April 20, at 7 p.m. Concessions are available at the venue; dessert at Village Inn after the show. Tickets are \$12. Signup by Sunday, April 8 at the Info Center. Payment is due to Linda Hoepner by Friday, April 13. Checks should be made out to Linda and mailed to her at: 5301 Shawnee Dr., Davenport, 52804. For more information, contact Ronda Bird (563)349-3144, rlbird@mchsi.com.



Women's Retreat: Friday, April 13, 6 p.m. to Saturday, April 14, 3 p.m.

Women of all ages are invited to a women's retreat at Camp Shalom. Reflect on what it means to be created by God as a vessel for both giving and receiving. Be filled through conversations and connecting with others.

Cost is \$60 and space is limited. Brochures are available at the Info Center with more information. To sign up, fill out a registration form attached to the brochure, or sign up online at **stpaulqc.org/signups**.

1st Grade Milestone: The Lord's Prayer

Sunday, April 22, 10:45-11:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall

When the disciples asked Jesus how they should pray, Jesus responded by teaching them what we call the Lord's Prayer. To celebrate their 1st grade faith milestone, students and their parents learn together the beauty and depth of these words and their meaning for our lives of faith. Please sign up at **stpaulqc.org/signups**.

Each first-grader will receive a Spark Psalm Book as a gift from St. Paul. Contact: Michelle Juehring, michelle@stpaulgc.org.



OF SPECIAL NOTE

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL! The Glance brochure is exactly what the word says:

A brief and colorful glance at St. Paul opportunities. It is designed especially for people new to church life here. Pick up your copy at the Info Center, or download the current issue online.

A JOYFULLY FULL MORNING: The rejoicing for this Easter morning means more beautiful faces are here for worship. Please do sit as close as possible in the pews, and know there is additional seating in the Chapel (with the full service livestreamed) at 8:00 and 9:45 a.m. While moving about the building, please be mindful of worship taking place in the Chapel.

EASTER FLOWERS were given by members expressing their love and faith. Thank you all. Donor lists of gratitude are available for pickup at the Info Center.

THANKS TO EVERYONE for contributing special offerings during the 40 days of Lent to support Evangelical Lutheran Church in American (ELCA) World Hunger. Giving ourselves away in such fashion - thousands of dollars in this particular case - is one the great privileges of being Christian.

HOLY BAPTISM: During the 6 a.m. service this Easter Sunday, Cahl Breuer, son of Brooke and Casey Breuer, steps into the embrace of the Christian faith through holy baptism. We welcome him into the Lord's family.

THE ST. PAUL BOOKSTORE is closed for Easter Sunday. This non-profit resource center for books, gifts, and cards will return to its regular schedule next Sunday.

A BRIEF HEALING LITURGY will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 7, in the Church House Living Room. Each month, on the first Saturday, we provide an opportunity for individuals in need of physical, spiritual, or emotional healing to come and seek God's goodness and care.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

BUSINESS OFFICE ASSISTANT: Might you or someone you know be interested in applying for the 25 hours/week position of business office assistant at St. Paul? Includes some data entry, bookkeeping, and work with volunteers. To explore more details of this opportunity to work on the St. Paul staff team, go to: stpaulqc.org/employment.

TEACHING PASTOR: St. Paul has opened a national search for a new pastoral position – Teaching Pastor. The personnel committee welcomes the networking interests and passions of all St. Paul people as they play a role in assisting with the process of identifying potential candidates. To learn more, visit stpaulqc.org/employment.

ADULT CHILDCARE WORKER: St. Paul's childcare nursery is searching for a positive and energetic adult to provide quality childcare in a safe, loving, and caring environment. Applicants for this paid position must be a high school graduate, 18 years or older. They should be available to work 9 a.m.-1 p.m. most Sundays, as well as some evenings and weekends when scheduled. If interested in learning more, contact Michelle Juehring, michelle@stpaulqc.org or 563-326-3547, ext. 227.

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS: Do you or someone you know have a talent for working with young children? St. Paul Preschool is searching for teachers for 2- and 3-year-olds for the 2018-2019 school year. This is a part-time position, 25 hours a week during the school year. Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter to Karen Strusz, preschool director, karenstrusz@stpaulqc.org.