MONDAY, AUGUST 13

10:30am Preschool board meeting Mental health provider & spiritual community initiative meeting

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

Madison Market setup 12:30pm Madison Market Theology Pub

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

9:30am Staff meeting 5:30pm Adult Children of Alcoholics 9th grade confirmation faith stories workshop 6:15pm Men's Bible study

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

lowa contemplative outreach meeting Clergy roundtable: Start by 10am believing 1:30pm Church Women United KnitWits 5pm

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6pm Centering Prayer 6:30pm Open Spirit rehearsal Congregation council 7pm St. Paul Sluggers 8pm St. Paul Sluggers

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

Wedding rehearsal

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

7:45am Free Indeed worship Patterns class Membership inquiry class 9am 2:30pm Bley/Schulze wedding Worship 5:30pm

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

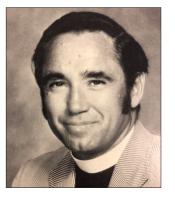
7:45am Worship

8:30am Book Corner open

Worship/Backpack blessing 10:20am Kindergarten milestone

11:15am Worship

12:15pm 9th grade confirmation faith stories workshop



RONALD J. LAVIN 1936 - 2018

Of the eight senior pastors who have served St. Paul in its 136-year history, Ron Lavin was the fifth. Pictured here during his St. Paul ministry (1967-1978), Lavin brought remarkable growth and vitality to the congregation. Nearly 2,000 adults joined St. Paul during his decade. Born to a Jewish father and baptized in the Catholic church of his mother, Pastor Lavin became nationally known for, among other ministries, his Koinonia program. Eighteen or so groups of parishioners bonded in these Koinonia groups to share social and spiritual togetherness.

Lavin died this week in Indiana. We remember his family and ministry today, especially as we recognize how our work as a congregation rests on the shoulders of those who have come before us.

today at st. paul -

August 11 & 12 - Pentecost 12

Preaching:

5:30/11:15 Peter W. Marty Sara Olson-Smith 7:45/9:00

Worship notes:

Communion served at all services

Ephesians 4: 25—5:2; Readings: John 6: 35

next weekend -

August 18 & 19 - Pentecost 13

Preaching:

5:30/7:45 Kelsey Fitting-Snyder

9:00/11:15 Josh Kestner

Worship notes:

Communion served at all services

Readings: Proverbs 9: 1-6; Ephesians 5: 15-20; John 6: 51-58

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 8/9) Russell Johnson

Weddings:

Ann McGlynn & Sean O'Neal, Aug. 3 Michelle Oulman & Travis Dumerauf,

With sympathy:

Barb Blake, brother Alan Jorgensen, mothe Phyllis Jorgensen Peter & Joseph Jorgensen, grandmother Phyllis Jorgensen Kristin Fittje, grandmother Phyllis Jorgensen

MY NOTES FROM TODAY

staff connections -

PASTORS

Peter W. Marty Sara Olson-Smith Katy Warren Joshua Kestner Ron Huber

Senior pastor Associate pastor Associate pastor Kelsey Fitting-Snyder Pastor in residency Pastor in residency Visitation pastor

COMMUNICATIONS

Ann McGlynn Lauren Brown Becky Harper Karen Holden

Director of communication Artistic director Adm. asst. to sr. pastor Book Corner managei

Business office assistant

Stewardship coordinator

Campus and grounds

Custodial/Maintenance

Host

Host

Operations director

. Business manager

OPERATIONS

Todd Byerly Paula Durham Jennifer Garvey Carrie Bowman Marcia Robertson Harris Schneekloth Matt Spencer Jim Akright Terry Haru Ron Mullen Nick Peterson

LEARNING Karen Strusz Andy Langdon Eyreka Barnes Dana Welser Teresa Whitbeck

Bailey Carroll

Director of youth ministries Assistant to learning director Neiahborhood schools Childcare team leader Youth ministries intern

Preschool director

MUSIC

Chris Nelson Bill Campbell Linda Allebach Nathan Windt Dan Pepper Katie Casey Sara Harless Margaret Thompson Children's choir director Kyle Schneider

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING Sunday, Aug. 19

Help them to love learning, O God, to joyfully and eagerly soak up knowledge. May they daily grow in wisdom, and the understanding that you are there wherever they go.

Pencils and pens, protractors and papers, notebooks and folders. These are the things of back-to-school time.

On Sunday, Aug. 19, kids can bring their school backpacks and bags to St. Paul. A special blessing will be held at 9 and 11:15 a.m. worship during the children's message. Each child will receive a small item to remind them of God's presence as they return to the routines and explorations that school brings.



NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP

Aug. 25, 10 a.m.-12 noon

Grab a picker-upper and help pick up the St. Paul neighborhood. Supplies and snacks will be provided for this environmentally and community-minded crew.

Contact: Jules Irish, julesi@mchsi.com

ON AN ADVENTURE: With oars flying and waves crashing, a crew of incoming St. Paul high school seniors took to the water on an annual adventure trip. They talked faith, friendship, and futures on the four-day trek.









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 9:00 and 11:15 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, Aug. 18, 9-11:30 a.m. OR Monday, Sept. 17, 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

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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 Pastor Katy Warren, katy@stpaulqc.org, 563-326-3547 ext. 232.

CONFIRMATION FAITH STORIES

WORKSHOP: All 9th-graders will take part in an upcoming Faith Story workshop, giving them the tools they need to shape their faith story and preparing them for their confirmation day this fall. See stpaulqc.org/signups to sign up your student for a workshop on either Wednesday, Aug. 15, 6-9 p.m. or Sunday, Aug. 19, 12:15-3:15 p.m. Pastor Katy Warren, katy@stpaulqc.org, 563-326-3547 x232

adults —

THEOLOGY PUB is a time to gather around conversation, food, and drink. Anyone is welcome! No homework or materials required. Next gathering Tuesday, Aug. 14, 7 p.m., downstairs at Front Street Brewery - Pub & Eatery, Davenport. Pastor Josh Kestner, joshua@stpaulqc.org

KNITWITS: Thursday, Aug. 16, 5 p.m. in the Church House Living Room. Knitters and crocheters are invited to share time over yarn as we work on service and individual projects. Don't know how to knit or crochet? We'll be glad to teach you. Belinda Holbrook, bholbrook@mchsi.com

2136 YOUNG ADULT GROUP:

Curious about where hops come from before they make it into your favorite craft beers? Come on out to Hollywood Hops, a local two-acre farm owned by a St. Paul family, on Thursday, Aug. 23, 6-8 p.m. RSVP by Tuesday, Aug. 21 to set up carpool. Pastor Kelsey Fitting-Snyder; kelsey@stpaulqc.org

WOMEN OF ST. PAUL FALL GATH-

ERING: The annual fall gathering for women of St. Paul will be Saturday, Aug. 25, 9-11:30 a.m. Joyce Klopp, director of Hope at the BRICK House, will be the featured speaker. School supplies, meal serving items, and snacks will be gathered for the program. Refreshments will be served, and women will have the opportunity to learn about St. Paul ministries. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups or at the Info Center. Childcare available upon request. Janice Melvin, 563-332-3665, or Carol Moeller, 563-391-3790

I'M WITH THE BAND: Proudly proclaim, "I'm with the band" on Sunday, Aug. 26, when St. Paul gathers all woodwind, brass, and percussion instrumentalists to play at 9 a.m. worship. One rehearsal for all ages will be Saturday, Aug. 25, at 10 a.m. Music available in advance. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups. Chris Nelson, chris@stpaulqc.org

SO ALL MAY EAT: Wednesday, Aug. 29 and Saturday, Sept. 29. St. Paul people cook meals at St. Paul and serve at the Salvation Army shelter at 6th and Harrison streets in Davenport. The initiative is called *So All May Eat*. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups. Pastor Katy Warren, katy@stpaulqc.org

Upcoming Faith Milestones

At St. Paul, faith milestones are special markers along the growing-up journey.



Kindergarten | Discovering worship Sunday, Aug. 19, 10:20-11:05 a.m.

Kids ask questions and explore St. Paul worship. A monogrammed worship bag for each child adds to this fun family event. Signup at **stpaulqc.org/signups**.



Three-year-olds | Start Sunday school Sunday, Aug. 26, 10:20-11:05 a.m.

St. Paul welcomes three-year-olds into Sunday-morning learning. It's a big step into a classroom setting. Each child receives a colorful storybook Bible. Signup at **stpaulqc.org/signups**.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

MEMBERSHIP INQUIRY CLASS: Join a group of others Saturday, Aug. 18, 9-11:30 a.m., exploring life and faith in this place. Explore what the commitments, values, and directions of this congregation are. Sign up at the Info Center or online at stpaulqc.org/signups. Pastor Sara Olson-Smith, sara@stpaulqc.org/

HOLY BAPTISM: During 11:15 a.m. worship this weekend, Adalynn Mahieu, daughter of Jessica and Greg Mahieu, steps into the embrace of the Christian faith through holy baptism. We welcome her into the Lord's family.

COATS LEFT BEHIND: Are you missing a coat? For the next two weekends, in the coat rack area near the central staircase, take a look and see if yours is one of a couple dozen coats currently without an owner. Matt Spencer, spencer@stpaulqc.org

FOOD SORTING: Sunday, Aug. 26, after 11 a.m. worship. Help sort the food gathered for the Friendly House Food Pantry during Hunger Awareness weekend. This lively project is one for all ages and abilities . . . and saves the food pantry volunteers and staff days of work. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups. Ann McGlynn, ann@stpaulqc.org

HUNGER AWARENESS WEEKEND | AUG 25 & 26

Food pantry gathering

Stock a paper bag with nonperishable food items and bring it to worship that weekend. The food gathered will be used to fill the shelves at the Friendly House Food Pantry.

Community Garden food share

Too many tomatoes? Not enough squash? St. Paul people can bring bounty from their gardens to share with others. The harvest left over will be donated to Café on Vine.



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.



MISSION APPALACHIA: FALL DATES SET

The dates for a fall trip to Appalachia are Oct. 13-20. Spend a week improving the homes of others. Info meeting today at 10:30 a.m. in the Luther Loft. Cost is \$325. Sign up at **stpaulqc.org/signups**. Contact: Pastor Katy Warren, katy@stpaulqc.org.