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Surprised by thanks

As Thanksgiving nears, we recall that gratitude is something we best cultivate and express every day, not just once a year.



ON THE COVER:
Trampus and Anne Budde

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Of course, few people actually restrict their gratitude to the fourth Thursday in November. Birthdays, anniversaries of various kinds, special moments shared with friends and family, recovery from illness or hard times, and the kindnesses of strangers are among the opportunities we take to say “thank you!”

Psychological studies have shown that grateful people often enjoy other benefits in their lives, including more stable mental health, great physical vitality, wider friendship circles and better relationships, as well as better sleep, self-esteem, and resilience.

Thanksgiving is a practice that the Bible encourages as a natural characteristic of the life of faith. “Thanksgivings” are a whole class of psalms, both for communal celebration (e.g., Psalms 100, 107, 136) and to carry an individual’s appreciation of God’s grace and mercy (e.g., Psalms 111, 138). Paul and other New Testament writers remind their readers to be thankful, even in all circumstances (Ephesians 5:20; 1 Thessalonians 5:18). They often give thanks for the communities they are addressing. The gospel of Luke portrays Jesus commending the thankful Samaritan leper who was healed for the faith he displayed (Luke 17:11-19).

In church, this focus on thanksgiving comes in the celebration of Holy Communion. One name for the Lord’s Supper is “Eucharist,” which means “thanksgiving” in Greek, and the prayer that includes the Words of Institution is called “the great thanksgiving.”

This was all reasonably well known to me for years before the habit of daily thanksgiving entered my own life. A few folks have commented, or chuckled, or smiled and nodded in concert when I have responded to their congenial greeting, “How are you,” with a simple, “Thank God.” Where did I learn it? How did I come to adopt this somewhat surprising pattern of response?

It first came into my life through Orthodox Jewish colleagues. Within their community, and among some Conservative Jews, it is customary to respond to a greeting with the phrase, “*Baruch haShem*.” Literally, it means “bless the Name,” and “Name” is a way of saying “the Lord” without using God’s personal name, lest it inadvertently be used in vain. So the greeting is, “Bless the Lord!”

The first times I heard it, I was taken aback. What? Did I hear correctly? Did I miss something? What happened that we should “bless the Lord?” It seemed con-

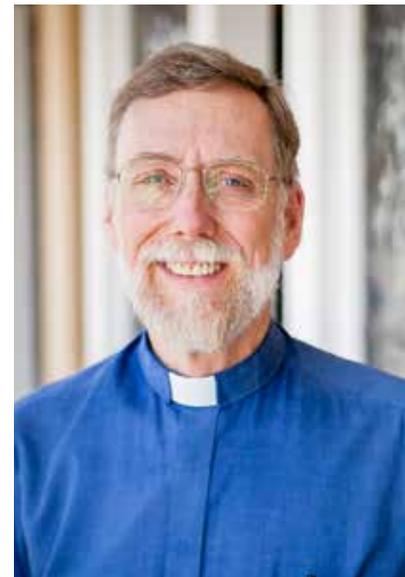
fusing, even a bit like hiding behind a formula. No, really, I wanted to say; how are *you*? In time, as the response became more familiar, I reflected more fully on it. How are you? Bless the Lord! And the logic emerged.

If I am conscious, engaged, able to hear and to respond to the question, then the first thing that should be obvious is that God still, in the words of a Christian teaching, “preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason, and all mental faculties.” For that alone, and above all, it seems appropriate to bless the Lord, to thank God. And what a joy, to be given the opportunity to do so dozens of times in a day, whenever someone offers a simple, “How are you?”

The richness of the opportunity was deepened when I began to work more closely and regularly with observant Muslim colleagues. How are you, I would ask; “*Al-hamdulillah!*” came the response. Really?! I recognized the pattern. In Arabic, the phrase means “praised be Allah.” *Baruch haShem* Thank God. I don’t know how many other cultures have similar habits, but it is a blessing to share at least with Jews and Muslims this simple practice that puts God first in our thoughts and puts thanksgiving on our lips every day.

For that, too, I give thanks to God. Happy Thanksgiving!

PETER A. PETTIT
teaching pastor



Food and care ingathering set for Thanksgiving weekend

Stock a paper bag with nonperishable food items and toiletries and bring it to worship on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 27, or the weekend after, Nov. 30-Dec. 1. The food goes to the Friendly House Food Pantry in Davenport and the women's and baby products go to Madison Market.

What's needed? Soups, mac & cheese, canned meat (chicken & tuna), cereal, peanut butter, jelly, toilet paper, bar soap, laundry soap, diapers (sizes 5 and 6), wipes and feminine hygiene products (tampons and pads). Expired items are accepted.

Then, come and help sort the collection at noon on Sunday, Dec. 1. No need to sign up. Pizza will be served.

Advent luncheon to be held Dec. 14

All women of St. Paul are invited to gather for an Advent celebration Saturday, Dec. 14, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. An Advent devotional and the singing of Advent hymns in the Chapel will be followed by a salad luncheon. Bring a salad, quick bread, or dessert if you'd like.

All women are welcome; bring a friend! Childcare will be available. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups or the Info Center. Contacts: Carol Moeller, 563-391-3790 or Jan Melvin, 563-332-3665.

"Light and life" Advent daily devotions begin Dec. 1

This December, focus on the promise of God's love with St. Paul's annual tradition of daily Advent devotions.

Featuring an array of St. Paul voices, these devotions will land in your email inbox and the St. Paul website, based on the theme of *Light and Life*. The final devotion will be posted on Christmas Day.

Sign up to receive the devotions by email at ow.ly/TGYC5, or read them on the website beginning Sunday, Dec. 1, at stpaulqc.org/blog. Note: If you have received the devotions in the past, you do not need to sign up again.



The Invisible Class to be screened at St. Paul

A documentary about the systemic causes of homelessness in America will be shown at St. Paul on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 6:30 p.m., in the Chapel.

Released earlier this year, *The Invisible Class* explores what it means to be homeless in America, challenging stereotypes and examining the systemic causes of mass homelessness in the wealthiest nation in the world. The film is a day in the life of homelessness across America. The screening is free and open to the public.

Discussion afterwards will be led by John DeTaeve of Humility Homes. Contact: Peter A. Pettit, ppettit@stpaulqc.org.

Support kids with special needs

St. Paul's children's ministry is looking for people interested in being paired up with a child with special needs for Sunday school. Volunteers will be trained.

The hope is that this new initiative can give as many kids as possible the opportunity to be a part of Sunday school. Show interest at stpaulqc.org/signups. Contact: Kendra Thompson, kendra@stpaulqc.org.



GUEST SPEAKER SERIES: SHON HOPWOOD

Each fall, St. Paul hosts the community-wide Guest Speaker Series. The church brings persons of national stature to the Quad Cities – sparking new ideas about what it means to live faithfully. This event reflects St. Paul's mission to serve as a learning center for our people and the entire region.

The 2019 guest speaker is Shon Hopwood. He will present on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 10:20 a.m. and 4 p.m. Both are free and open to the public.

Shon grew up in David City, Nebraska. After trouble catching on to college, he found himself in a local bar with a buddy. They talked about robbing a bank. That turned into committing five armed bank robberies before being apprehended. He was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison at Pekin, Illinois.

Shon slowly taught himself criminal law and began to help fellow inmates. He wrote one petition to the Supreme Court on a typewriter. The justices voted 9-0 in favor of Hopwood's petition.

▶ Adult Learning, 10:20-11:05 a.m.

Why we need grace in the criminal justice system

▶ Community Lecture, 4 p.m.

Criminal justice reform in an age of political unrest

Shon was released from custody in April 2009. After his release, he earned his bachelor's degree, then was accepted to the University of Washington School of Law. He's now an associate professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D.C.

Note: On Sunday, Nov. 17, gather in Luther Loft at 10:20 a.m. for a discussion about Shon's presentations. The conversation will be led by Tami Mahl, an attorney who was part of a team of people who argued a criminal law case before the U.S. Supreme Court.

St. Paul youth to participate in 30-hour famine

On Friday, Nov. 22, St. Paul high school students will start their day with a hearty breakfast.

Then, they will not eat again until mid-afternoon on Saturday.

The 30-hour famine is an effort to learn about hunger throughout the world, and experience, if only just a little bit, what it's like to be hungry.

"It's hard to be yourself when you're hungry," said Andy Langdon, director of youth ministries.

The 30-hour famine is an initiative by World Vision, an international aid organization, to raise awareness and raise money to fight hunger. It is a youth retreat, bible study, resource simulation, and inspirational gathering. One in nine people in the world don't get enough to eat. The hope is that this experience will open eyes and inspire youth to understand the statistic, and then take an active role in changing it.

On Friday, students will intentionally skip lunch in hopes of sparking a conversation with friends about their participation in the famine. At the end of the school day, they will attend any of their regular extra curricular activities. They will not eat dinner before coming to St. Paul that evening.

As difficult as the fasting may be, the method of breaking the fast may be even more intense.

Mid-afternoon Saturday, the group will take communion together. From there each person will be randomly assigned a number that will determine the meal that will break their fast.

Some kids will be able to feast to their heart's desire.

Some will have a bowl of rice.

Some will share a bowl of rice between four people.

The goal is that kids will see how hunger plays a role in health — both physical and mental — education, and social aspects of life. Throughout the event, youth will gain a better understanding of what they have — and how they can serve others who do not have access to adequate resources.

"Learning the disparity between people who have food and those who don't is critical in helping kids understand their role in sharing resources," Andy said.

Hunger in the Bible

In the Bible, people fasted for a variety of reasons:

Act of worship: "While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.'" — Acts 13:2

Deepening of faith: "Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month, the people of Israel were assembled with fasting and in sackcloth, and with earth on their heads." — Nehemiah 9:1

Discerning God's will: "Jehoshaphat was afraid; he set himself to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah." — 2 Chronicles 20:3

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Every thirty hours more than 7,000 kids will die of hunger-related causes.



More than 820 million people (about 11% of people in our world today) are hungry.



According to recent estimates, 736 million people live in extreme poverty on less than \$1.90 per day. That's 10% of the world's population.

Serving in Appalachia

Common mission has a way of bonding people in friendship. Eighteen St. Paul people traveled in October to Jonesville, Virginia, for hard work and faithful camaraderie.



MAKE EVERY *breath* COUNT

Trampus Budde and his family – wife Anne and children Grace, Quinn, and Liam – are focused on living after his double lung transplant in July

For quite a while, Trampus Budde thought the progressively increasing fatigue he felt was just the result of aging, or maybe being a bit out of shape. He figured he could just push through.

By December 2017, he would arrive home from his job as principal of Pleasant Valley Junior High, eat a bowl of cereal, and go to bed.

By March 2018, he and his family knew they had a much more serious issue with his lungs on their hands.

By July 2018, doctors told Trampus he needed a double lung transplant, at age 47, due to pulmonary fibrosis, a build up of scar tissue caused by inflammation. The cause is unknown, and as his wife Anne said, “totally irrelevant to us at this point.”

Trampus was forced to step away from work.

“The direction in July from the University of Iowa Lung Transplant Center to enjoy our lives and to have things in order, prior to being placed on the list, was a moment of clarity that was immediate and vividly clear,” Anne wrote in the family’s Caring Bridge site – the online blog where Anne kept friends and family up-to-date. “Our motto through this new reality is: ‘We must be willing to let go of the life we’ve planned as to have the life that is waiting for us.’ – Joseph Campbell”

As they waited for placement on the transplant list, with oxygen in tow, Trampus focused on building his strength and maintaining his health. He attended pulmonary rehab, visited lifelong friends in Minnesota, took Liam to appointments, served as “life coach” for his teenage daughters, and celebrated Anne’s 50th birthday with a trip to Arizona. He helped get Grace settled in at college, took Quinn on college visits, and attended a Cubs game. Anne and Trampus had more dinners with friends, and snuck into the back at church — faith offered peace and hope.

People, time, and love became their top priority. “We are so very grateful for the health crisis that caused this revelation to become more urgent,” Anne said.

Trampus told the social worker for the transplant team that he hoped his transplant and its challenges serve as an example to walk through all situations and not to be knocked down.

Trampus was placed on the lung transplant list on June 7. On July 5, he got a call.

“Four weeks on the list today,” Anne wrote. “Trampus got a call from the Iowa City Lung Transplant Center this morning at 8:30. They told him there was a possibility of lungs and to stay close to home. By 10:30, Trampus got the call that the lungs were a go. We are at the hospital now and prepping for surgery.”

Fully human

The transplant team flew out of state to evaluate the lungs. After they determined they were a match for Trampus and the team was on its way back, surgery began in Iowa City. Surgeons removed Trampus’s lungs.

Later that night, the doctor came out to tell the Buddes that the first lung was in. Hours later, the second lung was in. By 3 a.m. July 6, the surgery was done. Trampus moved to the Intensive Care Unit. Later that day, Anne posted:

“One of Trampus’s greatest strengths is his ability to be fully human, and in true form his bravery was exhibited today. He communicates to the medical team he feels anxious and nervous, but is ready to keep going.”

And keep going he did.

The next week was filled with stories of medications, Trampus actively asking questions, visits from his children, careful monitoring, encouraging words, and waiting. Daughter Grace returned all of her dad’s oxygen tanks back to the store, an important symbolic gesture. His ventilator came out. He got up and walked. He used his voice a little bit. He ate some ice chips. And — he breathed without oxygen.

“These are sweet, sweet accomplishments,” Anne wrote. “Cannot tell you how good it felt to hear Trampus say, ‘I love you sweetie. I love you Bloom (my maiden name).’ Treasure it so much. Trampus has come so, so far and I am so very proud of him.”



Hotel, then home

A few days after their 21st anniversary, Trampus and Anne moved from the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to a nearby hotel. The move was exciting for lots of reasons. For Anne, she was most happy because Trampus finally got to shave.

“Greetings from Trampus's new healing center — the Springhill Suites in Coralville. We are mastering independence in the hotel room. We counted pills per instructions of the pharmacist. Trampus has checked his blood sugar levels and is prepping for solo breathing treatments, previously given by a respiratory therapist. And, at 8 p.m. will begin his lifetime pill-taking routine of every 12 hours. Not so bad.

“The big news, the really big news! Trampus pushed himself to shower and shave! My heart sings! Trampus says this was the most intense shaving experience because of 15 days of growth. It took both an electric razor followed by the old school razor and shaving cream.”

The days in the hotel were filled with learning new routines and visiting the hospital for tests. A brief hospital readmittance helped get fluid off of his lungs. Grace, Quinn, and Liam visited and continued to root their dad on. And the entire family felt the support from home.

“Today, we are focusing on the grace that people have shown to us during a difficult time,” Anne wrote. “The kids are seeing friends and family giving generously of their time and love. This warms our hearts that our children feel that support when we can't be with them. Thank you to all of you for your giving.”

On Aug. 6, just one month after his transplant, Trampus came home. He ordered Happy Joe's pizza to celebrate.

“There are no words that could possibly express the jubilation that Trampus, Grace, Quinn and Liam and I feel today,” Anne wrote. “Trampus is currently asleep on the couch in our living room. He is tired, real and deeply tired. So much so, that as we took the exit to our home off the interstate and tears of rejoicing flowed down my face, Trampus responded, ‘I feel like I'm too tired right now to feel any emotion. But thank you, I know it has been hard and thank you for everything you did.’ His gratitude feels sweet, oh so sweet. We had no idea when we took those vows 21 years ago what was in store. With more wisdom now, we know that walking together through good times and bad is the privilege of a lifetime for both of us.”

And now, living

Trampus does not remember much about the days after the transplant. That's where Anne's online journal will come in – to fill the gaps where he can't recall.

The kids all went back to school. The Buddes attended the annual lung transplant picnic in Iowa City in October. They met the person who received a lung transplant right after Trampus. Anne still hasn't learned how to drive a wheelchair all that well, but Trampus lets that go (wink, wink). Exercise five days a week is building his strength. He can drive again, and do light housework as well.

Trampus got a T-shirt from his pulmonary rehab friends that reads: “Make every breath count.”

After Trampus' successful biopsy at the beginning of October, Anne and Trampus decided that regular entries to their online journal would come to an end.

“The time has come to start living and keeping the ever-present lung transplant off center stage,” Anne wrote. “Trampus and I have be-

“Trampus's health crisis has been difficult, however, we have received more blessings than we can count. It has been humbling to accept meals, yard work, gifts of time, and numerous other generosities.”

come keenly aware in recovery that life and mortality are so closely paralleled for meaningful days. We are different in very good ways. God continues to bless us and we continue to receive with wonder.

“Thank you for loving us and sharing your time and energy with us. It is Trampus' and my hope that our journey provided you some solace for challenges you will face. We all get them; there is no escaping pain. The paradox that I witnessed from Trampus in every step of his lung disease is the strength that appears in surrender.”

By the numbers @ University of Iowa

Adult one-year survival rate: 100 percent

Average number of transplants per year: 17

Trampus Budde: Transplant number 177



CREATION SHOUTS JOY

God's complex creation surrounds us – the air, water, creatures, plants, mountains, sky all play a vital role on this Earth, no matter how expansive or how small. At St. Paul, we seek to find beauty in all that God makes. On Joy Weekend, Nov. 9-10, come and be grounded in God's joyful creation as we look forward to 2020.



ENCHANTED FOREST

If you've attended closing worship at Camp Shalom, there is a good chance that you've heard me say that our beloved camp could be anywhere of a thousand places in our country. The land Camp Shalom sits on has some unique features, but the reality is these features can be found many places – if you take time to stop and notice them.

It's when we take the time to notice the incredible tapestry God has provided, that we become enriched by this gift.



I still have the vision in my head of the story told by a counselor of her experience in the woods at night and how there were so many fireflies it made it look like an enchanted forest. The passion she had in sharing that experience was remarkable. You can find fireflies all around the world, but there are very few enchanted forests.

I was talking to my daughter, who served as a counselor at camp, about the tree near the Program Center that campers frequently climb during Bible study. My daughter told me that not much Bible study gets accomplished when they use the tree. I am OK with that. Things are getting accomplished. Kids who have fears have an opportunity to overcome them. The campers have fun. The tree becomes their community.

I love spending time at camp when no one else is there. As I quietly sit in the woods I begin to appreciate how the natural world goes on despite me, not because of me.

Give yourself the same gift I give myself, lay on your back and look through the trees up into the sky. Decompress. Reflect. Give thanks.

You don't need to be at Camp Shalom, God has provided a thousand places. You just need to take the time. — *Tom Bley, executive director of Camp Shalom*



PLEDGE IN PRINT

In early November, watch for a letter from Pastor Marty. The envelope will include your blue pledge card for Daily Ministry 2020. Take some time to consider and grow your pledge. Return your cards on Joy Weekend, Nov. 9 & 10.



PLEDGE ONLINE

Visit stpaulqc.org/pledge-2020 to complete your pledge online. On Joy Weekend, Nov. 9 & 10, you can check "I pledged online for 2020" on your card and return it if you'd like.

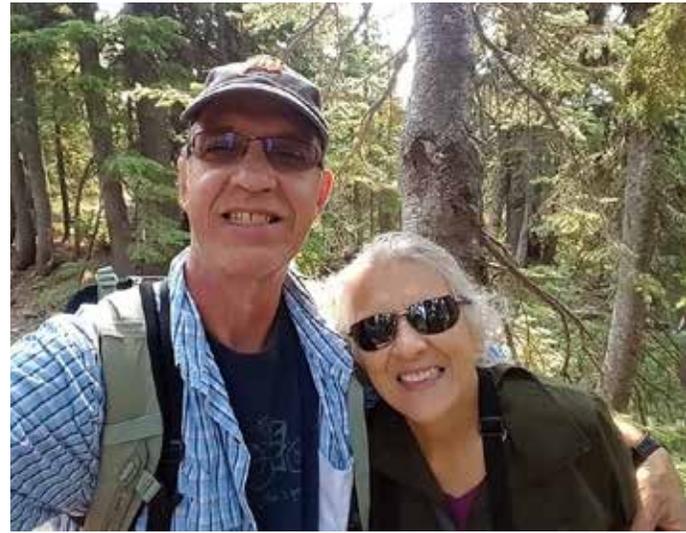
WHY WE ARE BIRD WATCHERS

“Let the waters swarm with fish and other life. Let the skies be filled with birds of every kind.” Genesis 1:20-23

Margaret and I enjoy the beauty and diversity of God’s creation. Bird watching is one of the ways for us to experience nature and the bounty of the earth. It has become a staple of our days at home and has led us to faraway places with friends and family over the years. We look out of the windows of our home to greet familiar hummingbirds, cardinals, and yes, the occasional hawk. Several nights Barred Owls sing lullabies from the trees surrounding our house. It can be almost magical.

Margaret’s cousin got us started in the late 1980s by giving us a bird feeder and a book on backyard birdwatching. We lived in a small house on the edge of a large woods outside Saratoga Springs, New York. We put up the feeder and it wasn’t long before the birds found it. Birdwatching for us was off and running.

We make new friends and strengthen relationships through our birding adventures. Vacations with extended family take the form of attending birding festivals. The nearby Indiana Dunes is an area rich in birding possibilities. Three of us recently went to Maine in search of Atlantic Puffins. With a guide, we saw 3,000! Having breakfast with Toucanets in Costa Rica was an awe-inspiring time, as well as seeing a Pygmy Kingfisher. These are but a few of the times we have felt blessed to be in nature and enjoy the wonder of God’s creation. — Margaret and Duane Haas



#MEYERMOVEMENT

In August, when Meyer Wikoff walked from her home to a kindergarten orientation at All Saints Catholic School in Davenport, she noticed trash along her path.

“I told my moms, ‘can we pick this up?’” said Meyer, who is the daughter of Haley and Erin Wikoff.

On her first clean-up Friday, she woke up 15 minutes early. In the two short blocks to school, she picked up one pound of trash – and that was just some of what she saw.

So Meyer, 6, declared: “I want to clean up one ton of trash from the streets of Davenport.”

And then, with the help of some social media magic, Meyer invited her friends to join in. The #meyer movement was born.

Friends, affectionately known as the trash fairies, equipped Meyer with two picker-uppers and biodegradable trash bags. Friends from Iowa City and St. Louis joined in the movement. Meyer has picked up all sorts of things. She did draw the line at cheeseburgers and cigarette boxes, though.

It doesn’t matter which day, though Trash-Day Tuesday does have a nice ring to it. On the first Saturday of October, Meyer went with her mom, Haley, to collect trash near the old Greatest Grains building in Davenport. They collected 14 pounds of trash in two square blocks in one hour.

“We just pick a day and we do it,” she said. To become a part of Meyer’s efforts, you can email her mom, Haley, at hwikoff@yahoo.com.

IT'S A PROMISE

A financial pledge to your congregation is a financial promise. It’s your best indication of what you would like to give during the coming year. It’s possible that one could give whenever one feels like it, absent of a pledge. But that does little to help the church plan its ministries and mission, locally and globally. It also turns giving into an ad-hoc exercise instead of a long-range spiritual practice that reflects and keeps your life priorities. So pledge, please!

IT'S A BUILDING BLOCK

Every St. Paul member is asked to complete a pledge commitment. It’s one of the expectations of belonging to a congregation that is moving in the same direction. Our Daily Ministry Budget is shaped entirely on the upfront generosity of member pledges. Without them, we have no operating budget.

IT'S FIRST FRUITS

The Bible calls this kind of considerate giving *first fruits* giving. As an ancient farmer would have pulled the best vegetables and fruits to make an offering to God, we aim not to give what’s left over from our living. As unselfishly as possible, we pledge to God ahead of other financial responsibilities. Challenge your giving to grow each year. That’s how our church grows its impact. Remember, it’s all a faith-based estimate of your personal desire and potential.

TRUNK *or* TREAT

Pizza and singing. Worship and dancing. Treating and laughter. Trunk or Treat was a big night at St. Paul, with something for everyone.



Council notes

Long-time St. Paul pastor Ron Huber will retire at the end of this year, the congregational council learned at its October meeting.

Plans are emerging for a farewell event for Ron, who has served as St. Paul's visitation pastor since 2009. He began his work at St. Paul in 1991. Ron also is pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, Andrew, Iowa. Ron and his wife, Karen, will be moving to Owatonna, Minnesota, near where they have family.

Watch for more details in the coming weeks about honoring Ron's service at St. Paul.

Other items on the agenda included:

Affordable housing ministry: Reconstruction is underway on the house that St. Paul and the One Eighty organization are renovating. A Madison Elementary School family will eventually own the home through a home ownership program of One Eighty.

Sunday morning learning

Two special events will augment Sunday adult learning at St. Paul in November, featuring the 2019 guest speaker, Shon Hopwood, and a film presenting the root causes of homelessness in America. Each will coordinate with Sunday morning learning sessions.

Shon Hopwood will present on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 10:20 a.m. and 4 p.m. A screening of *The Invisible Class* will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 6:30 p.m., in the Chapel. Read more about each on page 3.

In addition to the Chapel and Luther Loft sessions listed below, Bible study of the 3:16s in the Bible continues each Sunday in Room 208.

November 3

- ▶ Chapel: English Christians and American Indians at the first Thanksgiving, David Crowe, Augustana College
- ▶ Luther Loft: The holiday hump and blue Christmas, with Beth Lonning, Psychology Health Group

An early-October cleanup day, with approximately 30 volunteers, successfully set the stage for crews from One Eighty to begin the renovation.

Investment committee: The council approved the selection of Dave Crockett to serve on the investment committee. This committee works with an independent investment advisor to manage the non-operational-budget monies of the church. Thanks were expressed to outgoing committee member Gary Medd, who helped establish the committee five years ago.

Membership statistics: The council reviewed the latest statistics and learned that our fastest growing age group in the last five years is 10-19 year olds. Council learned we have 928 youth and children under age 20, and 228 adults over age 80.

November 10

- ▶ Sanctuary: Why we need grace in the criminal justice system, Shon Hopwood, Georgetown Law

November 17

- ▶ Chapel: *The Invisible Class* (preview of film screening), John De Taeye, Humility Homes
- ▶ Luther Loft: Lawman – discussion of Shon Hopwood's visit, Tami Mahl, attorney

November 24

- ▶ Chapel: The music of Advent, Chris Nelson, director of music ministries
- ▶ Luther Loft: Matthew – gospel for the coming year, Peter A. Pettit, teaching pastor

UPCOMING worship

NOVEMBER 2 & 3

All Saints Weekend

PREACHING

- 5:30 Hayden Kvamme
- 7:45 Sara Olson-Smith
- 9:00 Sara Olson-Smith
- 11:15 Hayden Kvamme

MUSIC

- 7:45 Quartet
- 9:00 Chorale, Cantate choir

NOVEMBER 9 & 10

Joy Weekend

PREACHING

- 5:30 Peter W. Marty
- 7:45 Peter W. Marty
- 9:00 Peter W. Marty
- 11:15 Peter W. Marty

MUSIC

- 7:45 Quartet
- 9:00 Chorale, Alleluia choir

NOVEMBER 16 & 17

Season after Pentecost

PREACHING

- 5:30 Katy Warren
- 7:45 Peter W. Marty
- 9:00 Katy Warren
- 11:15 Peter W. Marty

MUSIC

- 7:45 Quartet
- 9:00 Chorale, Jubilate choir

NOVEMBER 23 & 24

Reign of Christ Weekend

PREACHING

- 5:30 Sara Olson-Smith
- 7:45 Sara Olson-Smith
- 9:00 Sara Olson-Smith
- 11:15 Sara Olson-Smith

MUSIC

- 7:45 Quartet
- 9:00 Chorale, Youth choir

GOLDEN AGERS WORSHIP & LUNCHEON: Joyful worship, a meal together, music, and lots of smiles. Golden Agers is a day when St. Paul celebrates those age 75 and older.



For more details on the weekly worship schedule at St. Paul, go to stpaulqc.org/worship



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THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP

Wednesday, Nov. 27, 7 p.m.

Hayden Kvamme preaching, music by the Chorale