### MONDAY, OCT. 8

8:45am Preschool
5pm Going Deeper book group

#### TUESDAY, OCT. 9

8am Madison Market setup 8:45am Preschool 12:30pm Madison Market

Theology Pub

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10

8:30am Private event
8:45am Preschool
9:30am Staff meeting
10:30am Golden Agers worship service

& luncheon
5:30pm Adult Children of Alcoholics
5:30pm Memorial committee

6pm Choir rehearsals 6:30pm Confirmation

6:45pm High school midweek recharge

### THURSDAY, OCT. 11

8:30am Youth suicide prevention

task force 8:45am Preschool

9am Moms' Morning

9:30am Heart. Soul. Mind. Bible study
5pm Preschool open house
5:30pm Preschool fall carnival
6pm Centering Prayer
6:30pm Open Spirit rehearsal
7pm Faithful Readers

### FRIDAY, OCT. 12

8:45am Preschool

5:30pm Parents' Game Night 5:30pm 678 Lock-in

### SATURDAY, OCT. 13

7:45am Free Indeed prison ministry
8am Second Saturday Men
8:30am Appalachia mission trip departs
9am Membership inquiry class
9am Motherless Daughters
10am NAMI Family & Friends
4pm Private event
5:30pm Worship

### SUNDAY, OCT. 14

7:45am Worship

8:30am Book Corner open

Pam Worship

10:20am Learning for all ages 10:20am Confirmation faith stories 11:15am Worship/Rite of Confirmation

2pm Nova Singers set-up & rehearsal
4pm Nova Singers concert
6:30pm High school small groups
7:15pm Sunday Night Live



### WE ARE RECONCILERS.

This weekend's guest speaker Austin Channing Brown wrote the following manifesto about what it means to be a Christian community of reconciliation. Her words can be a guide for us as we work together for justice and peace in our nation and world.

We are reconcilers. We make peace.

We promote truth and love above politeness and civility.

We make noise because our lives depend on it.

We believe in reconciliation; we recognize justice comes first.

We know God is working in the world. We celebrate.

We laugh. We honor one another. We practice joy.

Making room for grief, we cultivate hope. We believe in redemption and resurrection.

We are confident in Love's victory.

today at st. paul -

### October 6 & 7 - Pentecost 20

Preaching:

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

Worship notes:

7:45 St. Paul Quartet
9:00 Cantate choir; Chorale
11:15 Rite of Confirmation
Communion served at all services

Readings: John 15: 12-16; Philemon 4-21

### next weekend —

### October 13 & 14 - Pentecost 21

Preaching:

5:30/7:45/9 Peter W. Marty 11:15 Andy Langdon

Worship notes:

7:45 St. Paul Quartet
9:00 Alleluia choir; Chorale
11:15 Rite of Confirmation
Communion served at all services

Readings: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15; Hebrews 4:

12-16; Mark 10: 17-31

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@stpaulqc.org.

Hospitalized: (\*released as of 10/4)

\*John Heath Lois Hultgren \*Dolores Jensen

### Wedding:

Bridget Garvey & Chad Ihrig, Sept. 29

### confirming faith

Confirmation concludes at the beginning of the ninth-grade year. Students share their faith stories during a series of Sunday-morning sessions in Fellowship Hall, 10:20-11:05 a.m. They will be confirmed during worship on the morning they present their story. Students confirmed today, Oct. 7, during 11:15 a.m. worship: Justin Ancelet, Thomas Atteberry, Julia Fiedler, Alec Hennings, Brynn Krafka, Evan Hayden Mirocha, Jake Posten, Aron Stewart, Jordan Stewart, Jackson Stradt, Abigail Tryon, and Ben Wollett.

### staff connections -

PASTORS

Peter W. Marty
Sara Olson-Smith
Katy Warren
Kelsey Fitting-Snyder Pastor in residency
Joshua Kestner
Ron Huber

Senior pastor
Associate pastor
Pastor in residency
Visitation pastor

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Ann McGlynn Director of communication
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Karen Holden Book Corner manager
Destiny Ellingsworth Communications intern

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Nick Peterson

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Kendra Thompson Karen Strusz Preschool director
Andy Langdon Director of youth ministries
Eyreka Barnes Assistant to learning director
Dana Welser Neighborhood schools
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### MUSIC

Chris Nelson
Bill Campbell
Linda Allebach
Nathan Windt
Dan Pepper
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Assistant organist
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### Golden Agers Luncheon

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 10:30 a.m.

They break bread in worship, then they share a meal.

The Golden Agers Worship & Luncheon is a joy-filled annual tradition at St. Paul. For those who are age 75 and older, it's a time of togetherness – a message, songs, entertainment, and food.

This year's Golden Agers will be Wednesday, Oct. 10, beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

The morning starts with worship in the Chapel. The St. Paul staff sing a song. Pastor Josh Kestner will offer a message, and Chris Nelson, director of music ministries, will lead the music.

Then it's off to Fellowship Hall for a catered meal. The Women of the ELCA guide the volunteers. With a bit of entertainment and great conversation, it's a beautiful day of fellowship.

RSVPs are asked for. Please call Jennifer at 563-326-3547 or email jennifer@stpaulqc.org.

AUSTIN
CHANNING BROWN
TODAY
SUNDAY, OCT. 7, SANCTUARY

> 10:20 am: Power, Privilege, & Purpose
> 4 pm: I'm Still Here

### THIS SUNDAY

### LEARNING FOR KIDS & YOUTH (10:20-11:05 a.m.)

- ► Ages 3 Pre-K: Main Level
- ► Grades K-2: Upper Level, Friendship Hall
- ► Grades 3-5: Lower Level, Commons area
- ► Grades 6-12: Lower Level, Youth Rooms

### SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE (SNL), GRADES 9-12 (7:15-8:30 p.m.)

SNL gathers most Sunday nights at St. Paul. It's 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 Monday morning. Andy Langdon, andy@stpaulqc.org, 326-3547 x228

### LEARNING FOR ADULTS (10:20-11:05 a.m.)

▶ Power, Privilege, and Purpose: Austin Channing Brown is a leading new voice on racial justice, and author of *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* (available in the Book Corner). Austin is committed to exploring the intersections of racial justice, faith, and black womanhood. Her workshops are infused with justice, pop culture, humor, and truthtelling. Whether she is being interviewed, lecturing, or leading a workshop, Austin elicits a full range of emotions as she invites people to celebrate blackness with her. In the Sanctuary.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

- Loving kindness (1 of 2): What does God require of you? ...Do justice... love kindness and walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8). Jesus revealed this kind of compassion for the sake of the world. Elaine Olson, pastor and certified spiritual director. In the Chapel.
- ▶ We've come a long way. We've got a ways to go: In the 50 years of the Handicapped Development Center, things have changed a great deal for people with disabilities. Linda Gill, vice president, Handicapped Development Center. In the Luther Loft.
- ▶ Bible Study With the eyes of a child: Pastor Sara Olson-Smith. 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 9:00 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, Oct. 13, 9-11:30 a.m. OR Monday, Nov. 12, 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**

**THEOLOGY PUB:** Second Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., next meeting Oct. 9 in the lower level of Front Street Brewery, Davenport, Theology Pub offers an opportunity to gather around conversation, food, and drinks. Anyone is welcome! Come when you can, and bring a friend. We are looking at Luther's Small Catechism this fall. Pastor Josh Kestner, joshua@stpaulqc.org

**FAITHFUL READERS:** Thursday, Oct. 11, 7 p.m., in the Church House Living Room. We will be discussing "The Diver" and "The Ring" in *Babette's Feast and Other Stories* by Isak Dinesen. Katie Hanson, katiehanson@augustana.edu or Dave Crowe, davidcrowe@augustana.edu

**SECOND SATURDAY MEN:** Saturday, Oct. 13, 8 a.m. in the Lower Level Commons. Men of St. Paul gather for service, fellowship, and discussion. The idea is to strengthen guys in their faith. Todd Byerly, todd@stpaulqc.org

MOTHERLESS DAUGHTERS: Saturday, Oct. 13, 9 a.m. in the Church House Living Room. Open for any woman who has experienced mother-loss at any time and needs a safe place for support. Gather to celebrate our mothers and develop a network for continuous healing. Nicole Rathje, rathjefamily@gmail.com

**NAMI FAMILY & FRIENDS:** On Saturday, Oct. 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., family and friends of people with a mental health condition are invited to attend a seminar at St. Paul led by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. This free seminar is led by trained people with lived experience of supporting a family member with a mental health condition. Please register at namigmv.org or by calling 563-386-7477, ext. 266.

**NOVA SINGERS CONCERT:** Sunday, Oct. 14, 4 p.m., St. Paul Sanctuary. Nova opens this season with *Out of Darkness*, *Into Light*. More info at novasingers.com. walking the grief Journey: Sundays, Oct. 21-Nov. 18, 10:20-11:05 a.m., Church House Living Room. A supportive, compassionate series for those who have experienced the recent loss of a loved one. Explore and discover new strength for a hopeful future. Sign up online at stpaulqc.org/signups. Pastor Sara Olson-Smith, sara@stpaulqc.org

### PRIMETIME 50+ OCTOBER EVENT:

Visit the Tycoga Winery north of DeWitt, Iowa, on Sunday, Oct. 21, 4 p.m. with Primetime 50+ (folks who are 50 and older). Come for brick fire pizza and wine tasting, and enjoy the winery's fire pits and the beautiful sunset. Sign up at the Info Center or call Joan Lahl, 563-320-8760.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA: All women of St. Paul are invited. Circle meeting dates/times: <a href="Explore WELCA">Explore WELCA</a>: Oct. 18, 7 p.m. (St. Paul); <a href="Ridgecrest">Ridgecrest</a>: Oct. 19, 2 p.m. (Oakwood Activity Center). Cindy Bleich, 355-4850; Karin Hanson, 528-2064, tkmax2502@qmail.com

### **FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY**

**REUNION:** This one-time class is an opportunity for those who have taken FPU before. On Saturday, Oct. 20, 8:30 a.m.-12 noon, participants will revisit and review their journey with the baby steps towards better financial health. Sign-up by Oct. 15 at stpaulqc.org/signups. Martha Wells, marthawells99@gmail.com

MEN'S RETREAT, OCT. 26-27: Get away for a while at Camp Shalom to meet some new, friendly faces, share in meaningful conversations, and enjoy a walk in the woods. We'll spend time talking about what it means to "be a man" in the world today, and how we learn those expectations. Come whenever you can from early evening Friday to midday Saturday. Meals will be provided. The overnight cost of the retreat is \$50. Sign up at stpaulqc.org/signups. Pastor Josh Kestner, joshua@stpaulqc.org/

# Parents' GAME CNight Friday, Oct. 12, 5:30-8 p.m. Sign up online: stpaulqc.org/signups

### OF SPECIAL NOTE

**MEMBERSHIP INQUIRY CLASS:** Join a group of others Saturday, Oct. 13, 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

**THIRD GRADE MILESTONE:** On Sunday, Oct. 21 at 10:20 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, we will celebrate this "Explore the Bible" milestone by gifting each third grader with a brand new *Adventure* Bible. We are also using this special day to remember our own Bibles! So, if you have your first Bible, a family Bible, or some other Bible that is significant to you, bring it for a blessing during the children's message in worship at 9 and 11:15 a.m.

**HOLY BAPTISM:** During 9 a.m. worship this weekend, Cooper Eldon Johnson, son of Eric Johnson and Holly Wilson, steps into the embrace of the Christian faith through holy baptism. We welcome him into the Lord's family.

**ST. PAUL ENDOWMENT FUND INVITES GRANT APPLICATIONS** from college students and young adults who embark on an overseas experience (or similar traveling adventure) that — importantly — has a social purpose or mission-minded component to it. Proposals for mini-grants can be submitted to the Endowment Committee through the church office. Questions? See Pastor Marty.



### AN ALL ST. PAUL DINNER PARTY

On Friday, Nov. 9, enjoy dinner and lively conversation at St. Paul homes throughout the area. Each guest will be asked to bring a dish to share. Hosts will be in contact with location and dish details in the days before the meal. The guest list will be a surprise until you arrive. Sign up to be a guest or host by Oct. 19 at stpaulqc.org/signups or the Info Center. Contact: Ann McGlynn, ann@stpaulqc.org.

## TRUM OR TREAT

Sunday, Oct. 21, 5-7 p.m.

It's the annual orange-and-black frivolity at St. Paul for the whole family. Gather for a simple meal, a short worship service, treating, and a parking lot dance party! Sign up online at **stpaulqc.org/signups**.



### Blood Donor Day Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2-6 p.m.

St. Paul people roll up their sleeves twice a year to donate blood for the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center. The blood collected will be sent to supply one of the 88 hospitals in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, and Wisconsin that relies on these donations.

Rumor has it that St. Paul has some of the best post-donation snacks and conversation around. To sign up to give, visit **stpaulqc.org/signups**.