MONDAY, JULY 1

6:30pm Survivors of suicide loss support group

TUESDAY, JULY 2

NAMI Family-to-Family

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

9:30am Staff meeting 5:30pm Adult Children of Alcoholics

THURSDAY, JULY 4

Office closed

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Office closed

SATURDAY, JULY 6

Book Corner open 5:30pm Worship 6:30pm Healing liturgy

SUNDAY, JULY 7

7:45am Worship

Book Corner open 8.30am

Worship

11:15am Worship

12:30pm Book Corner inventory

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MAKING THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

Perhaps it's part of your religious practice. Perhaps you only observe it in others. Why do people make the sign of the cross in worship, or at other moments in life? At the free throw line, an NBA player making the sign is practicing more superstition than faith. But in worship, a person outlining the sign of the cross on his or her body is essentially saying, "My life belongs to you, God. Christ matters to me. Let me never forget that I want to live as your child, and in your grasp."

This self-reminding symbol of faith, where people lightly touch their head, heart, and shoulders five times (to represent the five wounds of Jesus on the cross), is not a Catholic thing or a Lutheran thing. It's a Christian (optional) thing. Martin Luther proposed that Christians begin and end each day with this symbolic gesture of faith.

today at st. paul.

June 29 & 30 - Pentecost 3

Preaching:

5:30/11:15 Peter W. Marty 7:45/9:00 Kelsey Fitting-Snyder

Worship notes:

Communion served at all services

Readings: 1 Kings 19: 15-16, 19-21;

Galatians 5: 16-25:

Luke 9: 51-62

next weekend

July 6 & 7 - Pentecost 4

Preaching:

All services Katy Warren

Worship notes:

Communion served at all services

Readings: Deuteronomy 30: 9-14;

Galatians 6: [1-6] 7-16; Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

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 6/27)

Beth Johnson *Gladys Lundquist **Bev Smith**

Cal Taylor

Norm Voelliger

Death:

Dorae Miller, June 23

With sympathy:

Jackie & Ryan Barber, her Roger Beard Gavin & Paige Barber, grandfathe Roger Beard

Don & Sharon Harding, his cousin Wally Warren Robert Miller, wife Dorae Miller

Lisa Miller, mother Dorae Miller

MY NOTES FROM TODAY

staff connections

Peter W. Marty Senior pastor Sara Olson-Smith Associate pastor Associate pastor Katy Warren Peter Pettit Teaching pastor Kelsev Fitting-Snyder Pastor in residency Joshua Kestner Pastor in residency Ron Huber Visitation pastor

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Ann McGlynn Director of communication Lauren Brown Artistic director Becky Harper Adm. asst. to sr. pastor Book Corner manager Destiny Ellingsworth Communications intern

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LEARNING

Kendra Thompson Pastor of children & family life Karen Strusz Preschool director Director of youth ministries Andy Langdon Evreka Barnes Children's ministries assistant Dana Welser Neiahborhood school **Beth Laureiis** Pastoral residency administrator Teresa Whitbeck Childcare team leader

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Chris Nelson Director of music ministries Bill Campbell Contemporary music Linda Allebach Assistant organist Nathan Windt Chorale director Dan Pepper Youth choir director Children's choir director Katie Casev Sara Harless Children's choir director Margaret Thompson Children's choir director



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SUMMER AT ST. PAUL

Step out and explore new places, meet new people, and discover a passion for faith-filled living. Below are a few ways you can engage your faith this summer.



COMMUNITY GARDEN

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



GODSPAN: AN INTERFAITH JOURNEY

Mondays, July 8-29, 12 noon

St. Paul teaching pastor Peter Pettit will lead a lunchtime interfaith learning series. Bring a sack lunch. Then visit the buildings of each faith tradition later in the week. Please RSVP for visits at stpaulqc.org/signups.



678 FIELD TRIP

Wednesday, July 24, 8 a.m. - 12 noon Students in 6-8 grades are going to the QCCA wetlands for a day of kayaking, fishing, and hiking. Space is limited, sign up required: stpaulqc.org/signups.



MENTAL HEALTH MOVIE NIGHTS

Wednesdays, July 10-31, 6:30 p.m.

Come and watch a movie themed around a mental health issue and join in discussion afterwards. The series is free and open to the public. Popcorn will be served.

EDUCATION WING RENOVATION:

With kiddos on break for summer, the Education Wing at St. Paul is undergoing some changes. The office area inside the west doors will now be home base for both Kathy Becker, assistant preschool director, and Karen Strusz, preschool director. At the east end of the wing, a new classroom configuration will allow for enhanced security and more space in the Library Commons. The sculpture of St. Paul people was moved to a new space across the way.













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.

PASTORS & STAFF SOCIAL WORKER are available to members and guests for appointments.

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 a month for those interested in exploring what membership at St. Paul involves. The next opportunity will be **Monday, July 22, 6-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 14, 6-9:30 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 info and registration materials, contact Pastor Katy Warren, katy@stpaulqc.org, 326-3547 ext. 232.

adults —

SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE SUP- PORT GROUP: Monday, July 1, 6:30-7:30 p.m., in the Library Conference Room. Offering support for those who have lost a friend or family member to suicide at any time, this monthly gathering is for care, compassion, and encouragement. No need to sign up, just come. Deb and Joe James, joedeb1984@gmail.com

PRIMETIME @ THE RIVER BAN-

cheer on the River Bandits at Modern Woodmen Park on Sunday, July 7. Meet at Gazebo #1 (first one west of the park) about 3:15 p.m. to share appetizers. Game starts at 5:15 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each, payable to Jerry or Lori Bippus at the gazebo. Sign up at the Info Center by Monday, July 1, or call Jerry and Lori Bippus, 563-349-2378.

A BRIEF HEALING LITURGY will be offered at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 6, 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.

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOL-

ICS: Every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Upper Level Room 203. Practice the Twelve Steps, focusing on accepting God's love and finding freedom from the past and a way to improve lives today. Contact: Dick Jensen, rrjensen65@gmail.com

CENTERING PRAYER: Meet Thursdays, 6-7 p.m. Upper Level Room 203. Centering prayer was originally used by Christian monks. Today, this holistic prayer helps release unhealthy emotions, while deepening and personalizing your relationship with God. Contact: Dick Jensen, rrjensen65@gmail.com.

$\textbf{STROKE SUPPORT GROUP:} \ \mathbf{Meets}$

on the third Wednesday of the month, 2-3 p.m., at St. Paul. The group brings together stroke survivors and their families in an atmosphere of caring and sharing to assist recovery. Education about life after a stroke, including helpful hints and coping skills, is included. Contact: Karen Caldwell, kcl254@aol.com.

SPECIAL SUMMER. MUSIC

Maybe the violin is your forte, your voice loves to sing out, or perhaps you'd like to take your place on the piano bench. St. Paul's director of music ministries is seeking musicians to share their talent this summer during the 9 a.m. worship service, individually and in groups. He'd love to hear from you. Chris Nelson, chris@stpaulqc.org, 326-3547 ext. 214.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

HOLY BAPTISM: Three children step into the embrace of the Christian faith through holy baptism this Sunday: during 9 a.m. worship, Rachel Repp, daughter of Beth and Daniel Repp; and during 11:15 a.m. worship, Greya and Wesley Timm, children of Holly and Aaron Timm. We welcome them into the Lord's family.

BOOK CORNER INVENTORY: The St. Paul Book Corner will be closed for its annual inventory from Sunday afternoon, July 7, through Thursday, July 11. All items for sale inside this nonprofit endeavor are priced below retail and without tax; special stickers note items with prices reduced further in advance of this annual count of in-stock items by the Book Corner's volunteers. Stop in this Sunday to explore books, fair trade items, greeting cards, and more.

ST. PAUL PRESCHOOL provides a rich variety of age-appropriate developmental activities in a Christian atmosphere. Fall 2019 has openings for ages 2, 3, 4, and 5. The 4-year-old program is free for Iowa residents. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please contact Karen Strusz, 326-3547 ext. 219, karenstrusz@stpaulqc.org.

BUSY SUMMER SCHEDULE? The 5:30 p.m. service on Saturday evenings offers beautiful worship all year long. During the summer, when schedules are different for many households, it is a great option when Sundays are full. With scripture, preaching, and song, this weekly time offers the Lutheran liturgy and closeness with God.

MENTAL HEALTH MOVIE NIGHTS

July 10: Rain Man

July 17: Charlie Bartlett
July 24: Social Animals

July 31: Here One Day

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

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Swing a hammer and make new friends. Volunteers will work throughout the summer to build a house for Habitat for Humanity Quad Cities. Interested in helping? Meals are also needed.

- ► Saturdays, July 13 and August 17, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
- ▶ Wednesdays, July 24 and August 7, 5-8 p.m.

To sign up, visit **stpaulqc.org/signups**. Questions? Contact Pastor Katy Warren at katy@stpaulqc.org or 326-3547.