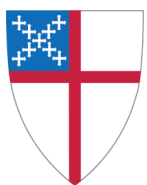


ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, DULUTH, MN



MESSENGER

FEBRUARY
2019

Deadline for submissions to
next month's Messenger is
8:00 am, February 22.

Email them to:

office@stpaulsduluth.org

Make Valentine's Day Special!

2019 Valentine's Dinner

Thursday, February 14, 2019

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Fabulous food, delightful music, friends, and fun!
Silent auction of themed baskets and much more!
Bring your checkbook! Bring a bottle of wine if you
wish.

Everyone welcome!

Limited to 110 guests, Tickets \$30 each.



Proceeds will benefit the general budget of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

All are welcome to join us for a fun evening with friends, neighbors, sweet-hearts, relatives, and everybody! The Parish Hall and the tables will be decorated; we will have special lighting and candles, cloth napkins and tablecloths, and wine glasses at each setting. Buy tickets at the parish office or after Sunday Services. You don't want to miss it!

VESTRY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS—JANUARY

Three items were covered in the January meeting of the Vestry. A presentation was provided by David Polard on the employee health insurance options for 2019. The 2019 budget deficit was discussed in preparation for the upcoming Budget Forum and Annual Meeting. The last item for discussion was the Valentine's Dinner planning and first steps.

Reports were provided on prior month minutes, finances and clergy activities.

-Mark Brown, Senior Warden

NEWS FROM SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Applications for new scholarships for the 2019-20 school year from the St. Paul's Church Scholarship Fund must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee c/o St. Paul's Church by March 15, 2019. Application forms are available in the church office.

WINTER ALTAR GUILD MEETING

Saturday, February 9, 2019

9:00 am, Olcott Room

Please arrive by 8:45. Meeting will begin at 9:00.



NEWS FROM CHUM

CHUM Annual Meeting

Tuesday, February 19th (6:30 to 8:15 pm) at Temple Israel, 1602 E. 2nd Street. Fellowship from 6:30-7:00 pm, followed by the annual meeting. This is your opportunity to learn more about the fine work of CHUM in our community, the successes of the past year and plans for 2019.

Most Wanted Item for CHUM Food Shelf

The soup for the month of February is Chicken & Sausage Gumbo or a soup of your choice. You can bring your donation to the Sunday or Wednesday service or drop it by the parish office. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Jarnis at 763-226-0856. Thank you for your generosity.



FOSTERING THE ROOTS OF CROSS-RACIAL COMPETENCE

Register now for this powerful three-day workshop, facilitated by Michelle Robertson and Kevin Skwira-Brown of Duluth. It takes place on March 5, 6 and 7, from 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. Questions? Email Kevin@culturalfluencyassociates.com

Submitted by Jane Jarnis

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH THE BISHOP SEARCH

Nat Constance attends the Northeast Mission Area Gatherings as a Delegate of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Here is some news she would like to share with all of us.

45 Minnesotans submitted their application to be on the Bishop Search committee. On January 12, a team of 12 was selected. A consultant has been hired to guide this committee in performing its duties, including developing a "profile" of ECMN and inviting clergy to discern whether they are called to become our next Bishop. Other duties include screening applicants and choosing a "slate" of candidates to stand for election. After consultation and deliberation, it has been determined that the original timeline proposed for the bishop search process will be extended. The election of the 10th Bishop for the Episcopal Church in Minnesota will take place on January 25, 2020. The consecration will held on June 6, 2020. Bishop Prior will continue in his role until the 10th Bishop has been consecrated.

The ECMN building at 1101 West Broadway, with Lizanne Geno as Building manager, is at approximately 80% occupancy use. The meeting room at the building is very active. Most of the use is not by the Episcopal church; it is widely used by neighborhood gatherings and organizations.

We met the new Director at the Episcopal House of Prayer, Dr. Christine Luna Munger. She reminded and encouraged us to use the facilities there. It is a wonderful space for private retreats and group meetings. To schedule a retreat contact Christine at (320) 363-3293 or houseprayer@csbsju.edu

Important Dates coming up:

February 23 - Lay Leadership Day, FREE!, register at www.episcopalmn.org

March 9 - Meeting of the Elected Bodies

April 13 - Northeast Mission Area gathering with the Bishop in attendance. All are welcome to attend the gathering. Tentative agenda items will include thanking Bishop Prior for his ministry among us these past ten years, sharing with our Mission Area ECMN missionaries' information from the Lay Leadership Day conference and the upcoming Team Ministry Resource Day (date to be determined), and, of course, fellowship and prayer.

The churches in our Northeast Mission Area are:

- St. John's Aitkin, MN
- St. Andrew's by the Lake Duluth, MN
- St. Paul's Duluth, MN
- St. Mary's Ely, MN
- Spirit of the Wilderness Grand Marais, MN
- Christ Church Grand Rapids, MN
- Trinity Hermantown, MN
- St. James Hibbing, MN
- Holy Trinity International Falls, MN
- St. Andrew's Moose Lake, MN
- Sts. John & Paul Virginia, MN

From the ECMN Standing Committee

"We hope each faith community will read, mark, inwardly digest, and pray throughout the entire process of calling our next bishop."

Bishop Search Prayer

God of light and life, you have faithfully guided the people of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota since the very beginning. You have raised up hard-working and entrepreneurial leaders, blessed us with racial and cultural diversity, deepened our faith, given us the courage to stand with neighbors who are struggling, and increased our awareness of your presence and activity. Help us to trust your Holy Spirit as we open our minds and hearts to discern the leader who can help us participate in your preferred and promised future. In the name of Jesus, the one who came to share our place and free us from everything that keeps us from your love so we can live for others. Amen.

CHURCH NIGHTS IN FEBRUARY

Check out Wednesday Church Nights this month. Church Nights have become an important part of our Christian Formation program and include something for everyone.

Our 5:30 pm Eucharist is held in church. This is a great way to attend service if you are not able to make it on Sunday (or even if you are able!). We gather in the front pews. We are grateful that Brad Brunfelt leads our music on his guitar. This service is less formal and shorter than Sunday. We use the scripture readings for the coming Sunday.

Buffy Helstrom (and friends) prepare our simple suppers that begin at 6:00. Buffy does a wonderful job preparing a simple, healthy meal that we ask you to help support by making a donation toward defraying the cost.

Church Nights will meet three times per month with programming from 6:30-7:30pm. Two Wednesdays, the children and youth have age- specific faith formation for grades 3 through Confirmation. There is a new "Music and Movement" activity for pre-K through 2nd grade. Faith formation is lifelong; so adults have the opportunity to engage in programs, speakers and discussions on various topics. Please let me know if you have suggestions for speakers or programs.

One Wednesday we will be together for GIFT; Growing in Faith Together, which gives a chance for all ages to engage in fun faith activities together. We will have one Wednesday where we don't gather at church, instead that time can be used for focusing on faith at home. On the months where there are five Wednesdays, our church leaves the building and engages in a service project with a local social service agency or group.

February Church Night Adult Program & GIFT Topics:

We will continue our focus on **calling** this month as we hear call stories and reflect on our own.

February 6 – "Called in Various Ways" – through a series of video clips, we will hear a variety of people reflect on how they experienced God's call. A brief discussion will follow each clip.

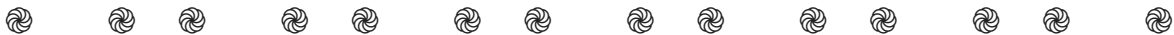
February 13 – "How I Have Experienced Call" – a few of our parishioners will share how they have heard God's call in their lives.

February 20 – Church Night is **OFF** for winter break. This is a great opportunity for "faith at home." Check out www.stpaulsduluth.org for ideas

February 27 – Our **GIFT (Growing In Faith Together)** topic is "150 years of People at St. Paul's."

Hope to see you at Church Night!

Bill Van Oss, Rector



Save the Date for Lent Morning of Reflection on Saturday, March 16 on our theme: "Called to the Way of Love." Details to follow.

Bishop Search – The bishop search and transition committees have been formed and are underway. Please keep the search for a new bishop for the Episcopal Church in Minnesota in your prayers. (See page 3 for the full text of the prayer being used in ECMN).



Drivers! Could you provide transportation for one of our elders to and from the 10:00 service some Sundays? If so, please contact the church office: office@stpaulsduluth.org or 218-724-3535. Thank you!

EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Our evening Bible study group has become a book discussion for the next several months. We will use our February session to finish discussing Nadia Bolz-Weber's *Accidental Saints*. It reads quickly, and we plan to do the last half in February. You might enjoy an introduction to her with her 2-minute webcasts on Have a Little Faith/Makers: <https://www.makers.com/playlists/5b0df8e4597f3100013d3753>

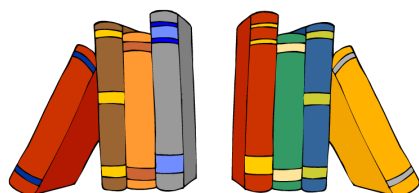
Dates for our meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month: **February 26; March 26; April 23; and May 28**. We meet 6:30-8:00 pm in the Parish Hall. You are welcome to join us! Please call the office to learn about the sessions, or email Reverend Barb about it (belliott@d.umn.edu).

CALLING ALL MEN

The annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper and talent show is coming up on Tuesday, March 5! The Men of St. Paul's do the cooking, and the EYMC campers help to serve as a fundraiser for camp. Mark your calendars now for this great event! An organizational meeting for the men who will be helping in the kitchen will be held after the 10:00 service on Sunday, February 24 in the Olcott Room. Contact Tom Diener (tgdiener@gmail.com) if you can help out.



LIBRARY TEAM NEWS



We have begun sorting, thinning and promoting our collection in the Olcott Room. Since both winter and the Lenten season provide incentives for reading, how about focus on Luke's Gospel as Presiding Bishop Michael Curry suggests? There are study Bibles and volumes just on Luke. Books on prayer and meditation could also fit following a day in the cold or snow shoveling. The Benedictines always pray during work, try it.

-Margaret W Thomas

Moments in the Movement:

2019 Duluth NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner & Art Auction

Duluth's NAACP chapter announces the 2nd Annual Freedom Fund Dinner, **Moments in the Movement**, on February 22nd, at Clyde Iron. Dr. Mary Canty Merrill, author, educator and psychologist, will be the keynote speaker. Also featured will be an art exhibition by UMD graphic design students, live entertainment, and celebration of the accomplishments of the Duluth NAACP and the work of social and racial justice leaders in our community.

Tickets for the event are \$60 which includes a yearly membership to the NAACP. They may be purchased on the website (duluthnaacp.org/freedomfund) with a credit card or PayPal account. They also may be purchased by check or money order made out to "Duluth NAACP" with "Freedom Fund Dinner" on the memo line and mailed to the following address: P.O. Box 494 Duluth, MN 55801, ATTN Freedom Fund Committee.

DAMIANO SOUP KITCHEN

St. Paul's will be serving at the Damiano Soup Kitchen on **Monday, February 4**, from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm. Volunteers are always welcome; half-shifts are available. Let me know if you can help. Remember to bring a hat.

Thanks, Nelson Thomas (218) 525-5785



CHRISTIAN FORMATION NEWS

February Formation Schedule:

- **Sunday, February 3** KidsWord for pk-4th grade
- **Wednesday, February 6** Formation for 3rd/4th, 5th/6th, 7th/8th, Confirmation with mentors and adults, music and movement for prek-2nd
- **Sunday, February 10** Children/Youth Led Service Love Neighbor at 10am
- **Wednesday, February 13** Formation for 3rd/4th, 5th/6th, 7th/8th, Confirmation with mentors and adults, music and movement for prek-2nd
- **Sunday, February 17** no KidsWord- Duluth schools winter break
- **Wednesday, February 20** no church night- winter break Duluth schools
- **Sunday, February 24** Kidsword for prek-4th grade
- **Wednesday, February 27** GIFT Night- for all ages, trivia games 150 years of people at St. Paul's



Love Neighbor youth-led service February 10- the children and youth will be sharing what they have been learning about loving their neighbor at the 10am service on Sunday, February 10.

Also on February 10, there will be a **EYMC Camper/Parent Meeting** during coffee hour. All campers in grades 3-12 and at least one parent from each family should attend this important meeting during coffee hour in the children's room. We will discuss funding opportunities and make decisions on dates so please attend.



Lent Festival, Sunday, March 3 following the 10 am service in the parish hall. All ages are invited to stop down to the parish hall after the 10 am service and pick up some ideas to bring the church season of Lent into your home. There will be Lent "To Go" bags that contain simple items you can use to celebrate Lent in your home; whether you are an individual, a couple or a family.



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and Talent Show is Tuesday, March 5! Dinner will be served starting at 5 pm and the talent show will start at 6 pm. Come and enjoy a joy filled evening while you support the kids who will be attending Episcopal Youth Music Camp this summer! All money raised at the pancake supper will go towards helping the kids afford camp! Suggested donation is \$5 a person. The men of the parish cook the meal under the coordination of Tom Diener, men of all ages; including our teenaged men; please contact Tom to help out: tgdien@gmail.com

Lenten Mission Projects: We will be collecting food during Lent in support of the CHUM Food Shelf and the March FoodShare campaign. We will also reconnect with Moses Joknhail and the Rebuilding South Sudan Through Education program he founded. Details to follow.



Weather Cancellations If the Duluth School District cancels classes, all events/programs at the church are cancelled for that evening. On the weekends, if weather causes any service or program cancellations, please check the website that will post information: www.stpaulsduluth.org, or our church Facebook page.

www.stpaulsfaithformation.org Remember to check out the website for lots of at-home faith activities as well as apps, blogs, videos and online games that are values-centered and Bible-based! And please like, follow and share our Stpaulsduluth Facebook, Instagram, Youtube, Pinterest and Twitter accounts.

Follow St. Paul's Duluth on social media:



**Growing In
Faith Together
Wednesday,
February 27,
6:30 pm**

**February GIFT Night:
Discovering the People of St. Paul's over 150 years**
Come and play some fun games for all ages as you learn about some of the wonderful faces and stories of the people who have graced the doors of St. Paul's since the first service on Christmas Day 1869! Prizes for everyone who plays!

**MAKE
LENT
COUNT**
PRAY • ACT • GIVE

**Lent Festival
Sunday, March 3, 11:00 am**

Adults, families, couples, singles, children, teens; come to the parish hall at 11 am and find out what Lent is, and how you can enter into the season of Lent in your home! There will be items for all ages, 0-99!
Pick up a Lent "To Go" Bag filled with simple prayer, fasting and almsgiving ideas, learn about our Lenten Global and Local mission projects, devotional booklets and more!



**Ash Wednesday Services
Wednesday, March 6, 2019
Noon Service in church
5:30 pm Service in church**

Lenten Local & Global Projects

Local Lenten Mission Project:

CHUM Food Drive

Pick up a reusable purple grocery bag at the Lent Festival on Sunday, March 3 (extras will be available in the parish hall after March 3) and bring it back with non-perishable food items for the CHUM food shelf that provides life saving food for those in need in our community. Keep the bag in your car as a visible reminder to purchase a few items for the food shelf when you go to the grocery store! Keep them in your car and you won't forget to bring them to church each week! A list of suggested items to donate will be in the bag.



From March 3 through April 14 you can bring your bag to church and place it in front of the altar before the service starts. After church, the Youth Leadership Team will remove the bags, store the food and tally the food items and any monetary donations and update it on a display in the parish hall and have the bags available to bring home again. At the end of the food drive you can keep your bag as a thank you for participating in the food drive! All of the donations will count towards the March FoodShare program, which will allow CHUM to will receive incentive dollars for donations of food and cash that they receive.

Global Lenten Mission Project:

Raising Funds for the educational needs of the children in Panyang, South Sudan; Moses Joknhail's hometown

Rebuilding South Sudan through Education



Some of you may recall four years ago when we were blessed with a visit by Moses Joknhail II, one of the "Lost Boys of Sudan" who endured great hardship as a child, spent years in a refugee camp in Kenya, and has now been in America for 17 years and works as a mechanic for American Airlines in Charlotte, NC. Moses' life passion is to give back to those left behind in South Sudan, providing critical food, shelter and education to countless children; many of whom have lost their parents to disease and violence. This Lent we will get updates on RSSE, Moses, the children and how we can save the lives of many of these children!

On Sunday, March 10 the youth will host a pizza lunch fundraiser for RSSE!

Pancake Supper & Talent Show

Tuesday, March 5

Dinner is served starting at 5 pm

Talent Show starts at 6 pm

Join in the fun as we celebrate Mardi Gras with a delicious pancake and sausage dinner prepared by the men of the parish. Contact Tom Diener (tgdien@gmail.com) if you would like to help! The meal will be set up, served and cleaned up by the youth who will attend Episcopal Youth Music Camp this summer. The meal is a fundraiser to help them raise funds towards the \$500 cost to attend the week-long camp. Suggested donation is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

All are invited to sign up to sing, play an instrument, tell a story, write a poem, dance, juggle, do a trick or something else! This is your chance to let your talents shine! Sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board outside the sacristy or contact the parish office, office@stpaulsduluth.org or call 218-724-3535.

The following day, Wednesday, March 6, is Ash Wednesday. Services are at noon and 5:30 pm in the church.



All are welcome!

Invite your friends and neighbors!

**Please show your support for
our young music campers!**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Staff Directory

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LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Please find a sub if you are unavailable for your scheduled date.

	February 3	February 10	February 17	February 24	March 3
ALTAR GUILD	C SPENCER	C CONRAD	J MARINAC	J JARNIS	C SPENCER
	K Leonard	S Hall	J Elliott	D Kolquist	K Leonard
	L Hultkrantz	S Hartley	P Markert	A Schliep	L Hultkrantz
	J Harvey	S Meyer	C Miller		J Harvey
		A Sadowski			
LECTOR 8:00 AM	S Stromquist	A MacKenzie	M Gustafson	N Diener	J Pastor
USHERS	G & K Bubalo	B & C Dinan	J & H Ransom	M & S Brown	
	P Waite	J & S Dusek	C Orsak	D Kolquist	
	J Jarnis		D Morin	K Swanson	
ACOLYTES	See www.stpaulsfaithformation.org for current acolyte schedule				
LECTOR 10:00 AM	N Diener	Youth	J Stromquist	S Stromquist	M Gustafson
CHALICE	N Diener	J Pastor	M Gustafson	Z Stodola	M Gustafson
BEARERS	P Enenbach	S Anderson	K Baumgarten	G Maloney	P Enenbach
	S Stromquist	Z Stodola	N Diener	J Stromquist	S Anderson
FLOWER Delivery	M Flammang	B & C Dinan	M Matheson	J Chesser	C Spencer
COFFEE HOSTS	M Flammang & C Orsak	M & M Gustafson	J Farmakes & C Heidenreich	A & D Sadowski	B & L Brunfelt
LOCK UP	D Pederson	J Austin	M Brown	T Diener	C Fellman

Altar Guild Other Duties:

February Linens:

K Leonard
S Hall

Jan/Feb Cleaning—Date TBD

C Spencer
K Leonard
S Hall
M Fegley
J Manthey


Substitutes:

Weekly Teams: G Bouschor, E Killen
Wed. Service: C Conrad, C Miller, N Brunfelt
Linens: C Conrad, C Miller
Cleaning: J Sederberg, C Miller

Wednesday 5:30 services:

02/06/19—Team 2
02/13/19—Team 3
02/20/19—No Service
02/27/19—Team 1

February 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 8 am Service 10 am Service 11:00 am Coffee Hour	4 8:30 am Serve Meal @ Damiano Soup Kitchen 1 pm Gentle Yoga	5 8:30 am Bible Study 10:00 am Staff Meeting	6 CHURCH NIGHT 5:30 pm Eucharist 6:00 pm Meal 6:30 pm Faith Formation 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:40 pm Handbell Rehearsal	7	8	9 9:00 am Altar Guild Meeting, Olcott Room
10 8 am Service 10 am Youth Sunday Service 11:00 am Coffee Hour, and EYMC meeting for campers and parents	11 1 pm Gentle Yoga 6:30 pm Duluth-Vaxjo Soccer Exchange meeting	12 8:30 am Bible Study 10:00 am Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Vestry Meeting	13 CHURCH NIGHT 5:30 pm Eucharist 6:00 pm Meal 6:30 pm Faith Formation 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:40 pm Handbell Rehearsal	14 	15	16
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Duluth Schools Winter Break Week


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