

THE MESSENGER

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Summer Reflection and Discernment



how their children are singing Sunday School songs at home (somewhat spontaneously) and forming a spiritual community of their own here. They feel as though they belong and are making connections with adults beyond just their parents—they like to be here. Coming to church helps children serve, grow, and learn in ways that aren't accessible at school, on a sports team, or at day-care.

Discernment

A discernment meeting like this helps us ask clarifying questions so that we can establish a hiring team, create a manageable job description, and clarify expectations with the congregation. It helps us interview well and support the onboarding of our permanent hire. I have also been taking useful benchmark data to the finance team and Vestry, discussing long-term vision and realistic expectations. Discernment in a Christian context also asks questions about spiritual growth, God, and how our work is giving love into the world.

Summer is an excellent time to pause, take stock, and reflect. While we might want to continue flying forward with all our good momentum, it is also critical to stop, listen, and discern. Discernment is a core foundation of any thoughtful decision, and discernment can take time. I invite you then, this summer, to stop and engage in some of your own personal discernment by reflecting on your experience this year at church. Where did you meet God? How did you grow spiritually? How would you like to go deeper next year?

I invite you to share any insights you have with me via email or in person at church.

Last month, several parents and caregivers gathered in our children's room to reflect on our faith formation program. At the beginning of the program year, St. Paul's was looking for a children and youth ministry leader, and we were blessed to have Amy Gustafson come to us in an interim capacity. Amy has led the ministry with joy and enthusiasm, helping to introduce music into children's chapel (thanks also to Brad Brunfelt), organizing mentorship relationships for our confirmands, and recruiting some of our youth leaders to attend the national Episcopal Youth Event in Baltimore this summer. I am very grateful to Amy and the dedicated volunteers (including Jason Butcher, Nat Constance, Wendy Saliin, Phyllis Saliin, and many others) who rebuilt these ministries after years of uncertainty. As our program year draws to a close, these ministries are thriving because of their dedication and love for the kids of St. Paul's.

Our gathering was rooted in establishing a strong foundation for the permanent position. We asked questions like "What is working? What isn't working?" and "What hopes and dreams do we have for our children?"

One of the things I heard consistently was that our children enjoy coming to church, making friends, and learning about their rich religious tradition. Parents noted

Peace,

Maggie,
Rector

June Messenger 2023

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Landscape Committee Update

Thanks to all who participated in a meeting of the reinvigorated, loose-knit and always-open-to-new-members Landscape Committee on April 30. We spent most of the time sharing concerns and ideas that I will use to start drafting a plan of attack for 2023. Deacon Pat also emailed me important related input from the Outreach Committee. Here are a few themes and action items discussed:



- Coordinate with other related ministries/committees including but not limited to Building and Grounds, Stewardship and Outreach
- First priority is to improve and maintain existing gardens. Look for 1 or 2 people willing to be the 2023 "lead" for each garden area. Work could range from occasional weeding to removing old plants and planting new plants or shrubs. There is funding available in Landscape budget to cover cost of plants and materials. Also discussed additional work (e.g., hedge trimming).
- Another priority: collecting and finding a way to memorialize historical information e.g., memorial trees, benches, etc. Consider placing plaques.
- Gary Glass has specific recommendations and funding to implement Fayth Glass' ideas to make St. Paul's more welcoming to visitors.
- Talk further with Buildings & Grounds Committee to coordinate and minimize potential for damage of landscaping due to building work; use landscaping to help with water issues etc.
- Discussed idea of adding a staircase up the hill on east side of the church. General feeling this would be useful but likely not a high priority given cost relative to other needs.

Outreach Committee suggestions: the outside of the church should show the welcome we offer our neighbors. For example, add a picnic table on the front lawn (closer to Superior St than church); a bench by the basketball hoop that is often used by residents of a neighborhood group home. Put up a little free library (with red doors, of course!) — any wood workers looking for a project? Put up a banner at back of church proclaiming "all are welcome."

Please contact Carol if you have information and ideas to share or are willing to play any part of landscape planning and maintenance. carol_andrews@hotmail.com or 218-390-8981.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Andrews, Chair

June Save the Dates

Monthly calendar dates are subject to change, and not all meetings are planned far enough in advance to meet deadline. Please check the website or the church bulletin for the most up-to-date calendar as the month progresses.

Sunday, June 4 - Trinity Sunday

- 8 am - Rite I (Chapel)
- 10 am - Rite II
- 3 pm Chum 50th Anniversary Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at UMC (Coppertop)

Sunday, June 11 - Children's Sunday & Baptism

- 8 am - Rite I (Chapel)
- 10 am - Rite II with Baptism of Tucker Anderson
- 11:15 am—Outreach Committee Meeting
- Episcopal Church in Minnesota Youth Camp Begins Statewide, registration required

Sunday, June 18 - Third Sunday after Pentecost

- 8 am - Rite I (Chapel)
- 10 am - Rite II

Saturday, June 24 - **Chum RhubarbFest** (see back cover)

Sunday, June 25 - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

- 8 am - Rite I (Chapel)
- 10 am - Rite II

Extended Summer Save The Dates:

Sunday, July 16 – Lake Superior Sunday

Thursday, July 20—Monday, July 24

Youth Canoe Trip

Sunday, August 6

Bishop's Visit and Confirmation - 4 pm

Summer Children's Sundays

The second Sunday in June, July, August and September will be "Children's Sundays." On these Sundays we will incorporate elements into our 10 am liturgy that are accessible to children including certain music, and an invitation to come forward to see the Eucharist up close.

Support Groups Meeting at the Carriage House

These groups are available to St. Paul's members but are not affiliated with St. Paul's.

Tuesdays 12 pm
Overeaters Anonymous

Tuesdays 5 pm
Adult Children of Alcoholics

Fridays 11 am
Al-Anon Freedom Group

Fridays 5:30 pm
Al-Anon Book Study

Saturdays 6 am
Blue Stone Zen Group

Fall Planning

Rally Day

Sunday, September 10

Return of "Wednesday Church Night"

Wednesday, September 13



Addressing the Gap: How You Can Help An Aside from the Rector

In our midyear report on spending and income, you may notice that we have spent about \$25,000 more than we have brought in this year. We planned to do this, utilizing our \$77,000 surplus from the last 3 years. However, it is possible to close this gap and allow our surplus to last longer.

Our pledge income goal for 2023 was **\$383,000**. Current pledges for 2023 sit at **\$316,190**. To help us close the gap, your household can increase your pledge, or if you have not yet pledged, you can make a new pledge.

Thirty-eight (38%) of St. Paul's households give between \$500 and \$1500 per year, which is roughly \$50 to \$100 per month. If each of these households were to commit another \$25 per month for the remainder of the year, we would reduce that gap by \$7,200. An additional \$50 per month would reduce that gap by \$14,400.

Why do we pledge?

Yearly pledging helps us make financial commitments to the work of this faith community. When we baptize an infant, welcome children to communion, share the good news of resurrection, or visit a beloved elder in the hospital, we are bringing the people of God together around a common purpose. When you support this faith community, this is what you support: moments of spiritual connection, growth, and hope in the daily lives of the hundreds of people who worship, serve, and create community here. Jesus points out, when he is teaching in the temple, that the smallest gift of a widow makes an enormous difference (*Luke 21:1-4*).

When the small gifts of many spiritually hungry people come together, we can build the resources we need. Please consider a small way that you can increase your pledge, make a new pledge, or contribute to your faith community to support the everyday activities that make St. Paul's a vibrant faith community.

I have taken a second look at my personal finances this year, and I have determined that I am able to increase my pledge for 2023 by \$50 per month. I encourage you to join me, so that we can together raise the funds that we need to continue being St. Paul's.



Deadline for submissions to the July/August issue of *The Messenger* is
8:00 am, Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

Please email items to:
office@stpaulsduluth.org

From Your Bookkeeper

Dear Parishioners,

April 2023 financials were presented to the Finance Committee and Vestry at their May 2023 meetings. Here is a summary of the April **General Fund** results.



MONTHLY FIGURES: April	This Month	Year to date
Total Pledges collected	\$22,174.90	\$126,616.23
Total non-pledged collection	\$4,611.14	\$13,829.64
Investment support	\$7,962.68	\$32,554.16
Total Income	\$34,748.72	\$173,000.03
Total Expenses	\$49,770.44	\$198,173.34
amount over/(short)	(\$15,021.72)	(\$25,173.31)
General Fund Balance 1/1/2023		\$77,036.78
fund balance year to date		-\$25,173.31
General Fund Balance 4/30/2023		\$51,863.47

* The pledge collection amount for April was \$5,910.87 *under* budget.

Please note that pledge collection is under budget not because people are not meeting their pledges, but because we did not meet our pledge goal during the fall stewardship campaign.

* Unpledged regular giving combined with plate collections are at budgeted levels.

* Expenses were \$5,594.47 under budget for the month of April and under budget \$14,393.62 year-to-date, which is good news.

* Our bottom line, income over expenses, for April is -\$15,021.72 and -\$25,173.31 year-to-date. This is no cause for concern at this point, since we budgeted to utilize the surplus from the prior 3 years as we rebuild our programs.

We had a surplus of \$77,036.78 from the prior 3 years, which has now been reduced by the \$25,173.31 current deficit, leaving a balance of \$51,863.47 of surplus funds.

Although this report reflects financial results through April, we are currently half-way through our fiscal year. Please prayerfully consider additional giving to St. Paul's to support our mission and ministries.

If you have any questions, please call my office or email me at bookkeeper@stpaulsduluth.org.

Christine Melone, Bookkeeper

Christian Formation

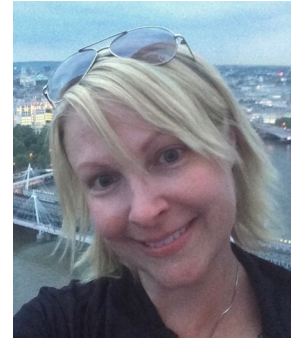
Dear Friends,

Summer is here, after one of the shortest-feeling springs I can recall. Upon reflection, it feels as if this last Christian formation season has flown by. Beginning with the Rally Day celebration, we have together witnessed our children and youth return to full participation in worship, Sunday morning classes and Wednesday evening activities. And what a joy to behold!

While there is a pause on Sunday and Wednesday formation activities until September, there are still ways for our children and youth to gather and engage outside of coffee hour. There will be separate days of service for children and their adult family members, middle school and high school students. Information and dates are forthcoming. Confirmands will continue to meet with their adult mentors. Diocesan ECMN Youth Camp (for those entering grades 6-12) is at the Shores of St. Andrew in New London, MN June 11-15, and Family Camp is July 30 - August 4. Please go to <http://episcopalmn.org/children-youth> to get more information or register. Five of our youth will attend the Episcopal Youth Event (EYE) in Baltimore, and the bishop will join St. Paul's the afternoon of August 6 to con-

firm our teens as we then recognize them as young adults in our church. Before we know it, Rally Day will again be upon us on September 10th!

As a relatively new person to St. Paul's, who was not here before the pandemic, it has been greatly uplifting to serve alongside congregants who so value our young people, and to see adult family members commit to bringing their children to this safe place—which is necessary now more than ever—to learn about God with our church family. In thinking about how to describe the growth in the last nine months, the word that comes to mind is "resurrection." I am grateful to have had the opportunity to be with you on this journey over the past year. It has been both a delight and a privilege!



Peace,
Amy Gustafson

Giving Warmth Line

Thank you, all, who helped with the Giving Warmth Line. Now we have summer to breeze through!

Where did all the hats, scarves, mittens, socks, and miscellaneous clothing come from? A few of you were prolific contributors. Where did the other items come from? I honestly don't know. The miracle is that everything just kept appearing all winter long.

Also, importantly, are the families and individuals that hung items on the line. Many parishioners carried warmth out to the line as they exited church. Gratitude to those helpers.

A suggestion for your summer – as you notice warm items at garage sales, please pick them up to add to our stock for next winter.

Respectfully submitted,
Natalie Constance

Children's Library

The children's library in the parish hall remains open for business over the summer! Books are now grouped by category to make selection easier, and little ones can relax in bean bag chairs if they want to read during coffee hour. There are also books appropriate for middle school youth on the top right. Please feel welcome to take books home on the honor system, and simply put them in the basket on the lower shelf upon return. Happy reading!



Amy Gustafson

The Deacon's Stoop



The Outreach Committee met on May 7, with Tammy Bain, Nancy Schuldt, Nelson Thomas, and Deacon Pat in attendance. We opened with Dwelling in the Word. In keeping with Bishop Craig Loya's invitation at our Mission Area Meeting, we discussed the characteristics of committees we've been

in that truly became a small group of disciples who deeply shared love of God and neighbor.

We noted that most of the ministry opportunities our team is engaged in have to do with hunger and other needs of our neighbors who are struggling to thrive in Duluth. By far the largest percentage of our members are engaged in alleviating hunger, and food seems to be our primary "love language." We have teams of people preparing and serving meals at Damiano Center, and more folks participating twice a week in food rescue—transporting frozen pans of food from St. Scholastica Monastery to Chum.

Annie's House, Loaves & Fishes, Chum, the Warming Center, and Gabriel Project have also been recipients of donations and financial sup-



port. These gifts are more responsive to needs that arise, and frequently also involve distribution of food.

Outreach made a recommendation to Building and Grounds to consider the addition of seating both along Superior Street and by the basketball hoop in the Greysolon parking lot to provide a welcome to neighbors who visit our campus. A little free library was suggested as another invitation to let folks know they are welcome. We also talked about some kind of banner or signage on the outside of the building to share "all are welcome here."

Outreach has some funds to distribute. We know members of St. Paul's contribute to many works of love that aren't part of our committee, and we invite you to submit a request for funds to support the various ways we share the love of God with our neighbors. Please direct your request in writing to Deacon Pat, and we will review them at our next meeting.

Blessings,
Deacon Pat

Email: Deacon@stpaulsduluth.org

Phone: 218-724-3535, ext. 206

Calling All Bakers — Do you want to make some scones?

It's June and in Duluth that means rhubarb growing in our gardens. Help St. Paul's support CHUM by turning those tart pink stalks into delicious rhubarb scones! Rhubarb Festival is June 24, 9 am - 3 pm, at Stella Maris Academy/Holy Rosary.

St. Paul's baking schedule:

Sunday, June 18 - cut rhubarb after church—please bring donations prior to this day;

Wednesday, June 21, 8 am, - make scones for overnight chilling;

Thursday, June 22, 11 am - bake;

Friday, June 23, 8 am - package and deliver.

We need lots of help. If you aren't a baker there are oth-

er tasks such as assembling boxes, making and packaging the glaze, and delivery. Donations of money for purchasing ingredients also much appreciated.

Donations of rhubarb also needed!

Please contact Sue Brown (or call the parish office) if you are interested in helping support CHUM's fundraiser.



Respectfully submitted,

Sue Brown

Notes of a Different Kind . . .

Friends in Christ,

When I present in workshops on church music, I often tell those in attendance that one of the greatest joys in life is leading God's gathered people in song. It is a great thrill to energize the community's song into being, and I believe more folks should know what it's like to be the one who does that. As I sit behind the organ leading worship, it is truly moving to hear all the voices join in song, sometimes even creating a rival for the amount of sound the organ can make.

The organ is an amazing instrument, and it leads people in song well for a number of reasons. First, it requires only one person to make a lot of sound. Our church can hold almost 500 people, so when it's full, we need the resources of such a large sounding instrument to lead song. Of course, a symphony can also make a large sound, but it isn't really practical for a church to employ such a large group of folks to play every Sunday when one can do the job. Second, the organ has the ability to be heard above and below the pitches of those singing. There are ranks of pipes which are about the size of a pencil (or smaller) and those pipes act like the piccolo in the orchestra. Just as you can always hear the single piccolo in the orchestra, those high pitches in the organ speak out over the voices of those who are singing. On the other end of the spectrum, the organ is part of the architecture of the building, so the low frequencies in the bass help us all feel the tempo and rhythm together, much like the bass drum in the marching band. I recall attending a basketball game as a youngster when the high school pep band was playing. The guy playing the bass drum accidentally let the bass drum mallet fly out of his hands. The whole sound of the band was changed as he ran to retrieve it. This is the case for the large bass pipes of the organ. They are more felt than heard, and provide the foundation for our singing together. As you also know, the organ contains the resources for a wide range of dynamics and color. One minute it can be as quiet as a church mouse, while the next minute it roars and rumbles with exciting effect. Its ability to serve the liturgy is without parallel, and I need for you to know what a joy it is to play at St. Paul's.

If you would ever like to know more about the organ, feel free to visit the organ console after worship on Sunday. Bring the kids; we'll let them play a few notes. Stay tuned for more information on seeing the inside of the organ in

the near future. It's really a wonderful (but often kept secret) place in the church.

Peace and love,

Tom Hamilton

Minister of Music



In worship on **Sunday June 4**, we will express our appreciation for those who make music to the honor and glory of God in the St. Paul's community. Take a moment to thank these people for their service in song:

- Chancel Choir: Heidi Lyle, Olivia Morin-Swanson, Liz Austin-Minor, Sarah Erickson, Mary Helf, Ann Cox, Pat Kruschke, Nancy Diener, Christabel Grant, Jim Grant, Tom Diener, John Church, David Helf, Dale Rogers, Payton Kittaka, John Baumgarten, Eirik Rennan, Ben Aurand, Jack Jarnis, and Melody Chilson.
- Handbell Choir: Jen French, Joanne Erspamer, Rita Rosenberger, Carol Andrews, Cris Levenduski, Jill Rudolph, Judy Larson, Charles Herron, Tommy Spehar, and Jay Austin.
- Brass Choir: Mark Brown, Sue Brown, Beth Fait, and Evan Erspamer.
- Brad Brunfelt is always willing to help out on guitar and percussion.
- Organists from within and outside the parish who serve when called upon: Chuck Sundquist, Agnes Barthel, David Tryggestad, Justin Rubin, and Hector Landa.

Thank you to all of these amazingly talented folks for their generosity in using their gifts in service to the St. Paul's community.

From Your Vestry



This has been an active period not only for church staff, but all of you who serve on various committees working to make St. Paul's a welcoming and thriving place of worship. Meeting in this past month were the committees for Landscape, Buildings and Grounds, Stewardship, Finance, Outreach, and Youth Ministry.

On Tuesday, May 16, Vestry met with a full agenda. Gary Olson, committee liaison to the Buildings and Grounds Committee, gave an update from their meeting earlier this month. Committee chair Craig Fellman provided a list that prioritizes projects and tasks in and around the church, along with potential costs associated with completing them. Some of the highlights include inspection of the sanctuary walls and stone, roof, boiler, and organ. The list was complete and thorough, and we are very appreciative of Craig and his team in helping us be thoughtful stewards of this historic and sacred building as we plan and prioritize its needs.

We received the notes from the discernment meeting Reverend Maggie Nancarrow had with families involved in youth ministry. Thank you for all who participated and provided us with thoughtful insight into your hopes and dreams as we discern the direction of this important ministry for the future.

Reverend Rick Swenson led a discussion and update on the Stewardship Committee. We are anxious to organize and invigorate the role of this important committee. And we are very grateful to Leslie Brunfelt, who is now

leading the Finance Committee as Treasurer. and provided us the notes from its meeting of May 9.

I am very proud of the discerning nature that Maggie and Rick bring to the Vestry and congregation. I appreciate the culture of listening, learning, and spirit that is involved in important decisions. One of our tasks before our meetings in April and May was to read chapters from a book entitled "Dollars And Sense: Leading Theological Discussions On Money." It is a topic that isn't always comfortable to discuss, but this book provided examples in scripture that can guide us spiritually and help us flourish in all things we wish to achieve at our church and in our community.

Our monthly financial report reveals that pledges for the year are under budget. This is always concerning for any Vestry. But I remind you that we are in a transition year that, so far, has been a great success. I see vibrant church attendance and lively discussion at coffee hour. There is participation in music, formation, and committees aimed to help us grow for the future. And our church staff has been incredible, working collaboratively and helping keep expenses under budget.

We are no longer in a stage to "get back to normal." This year, we aim for more than that at St. Paul's. In the spirit of stewardship where you are asked to devote time, talent and treasure to the church, this period of growth and renewal is a perfect time to discern where we all can contribute and enjoy building our worship experience together.

Faithfully submitted,
Eirik Rennan
Senior Warden

Scholarship Committee Update

St. Paul's Church Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that Evan Erspamer has been awarded a new college scholarship. These scholarships are renewable annually for undergraduate education. The annual amount of the scholarship is presently \$1400.

Congratulations, Evan!

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Dinan, Committee Chair



Lost Treasures from the Archives

The following article was published on October 27, 1905.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, OLDEST IN DULUTH, OBSERVES OPENING DAY

Rev. Dr. A. W. Ryan and Mrs. Ryan, Assisted by Bishop and Clergy, Receive More Than 300 Guests At Anniversary Celebration.

Rector Gives History of Church Which Has Been Associated With Early Days and Talks of the Men Who Preceded Him in Pulpit.

The thirty-sixth anniversary of the opening of St. Paul's Episcopal church, the first church in Duluth, was celebrated last night at the church rectory, where Rev. Dr. A. W. Ryan and Mrs. Ryan received more than 300 guests. They were assisted in receiving by the Right Rev. Bishop Morrison and Mrs. Morrison, Ven. Archdeacon Appleby and Mrs. Appleby, Deacon S. George, Mrs. E. T. Bywater, president of the Ladies' Guild; Mrs. F. W. Paine, Mrs. H. M. Peyton, Mrs. A. M. Miller, Mrs. W. R. Stone, Mrs. Kate Wallbank, and among those present were: Rev. R. J. Mooney and Mrs. Mooney, Rev. H. S. Webster, Rev. A. H. Wurtel, Rev. K. S. Tottermann, Rev. W. S. Cordick, of Superior, Rev. Dr. Milne of the Pilgrim Congregational church, Rev. Dr. M. S. Rice, pastor First M. E. church, and Mrs. Rice, and Rev. Dr. T. H. Cleland, of the First Presbyterian church.

The program included songs by Charles Applehagen and Miss Highland, and recitations by Miss May Wylie, Miss Darbee, of Kentucky, and Miss Cora Hilliard, all of whom received encores.

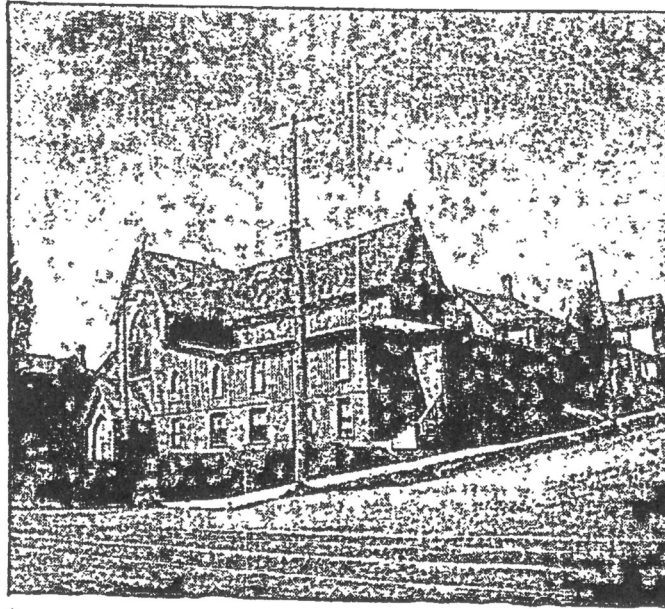
History of the Church.

Rev. Dr. Ryan read the history of the church in this city as follows: St. Paul's church has an enviable record in one way. While it was built through the efforts of Mr. E. Jay Cooke, then interested in establishing the Northern Pacific railway, and he enlisted the help of Eastern people in the cost of putting up the original building it is said that not one cent has ever been given by the general church to start or maintain services here. There is some tradition of services being held at an earlier day, but the first recorded services were held by Bishop Whipple, Aug. 5, 12 and 13, 1866. At the last service the five children of Col. Culver were baptized. May, '69, Gen. Sargent was commissioned to build a respectable church for our form of service and it was to be done early in the fall. The organ and bell arrived Oct. 30, and the bell called the people to service, apparently in the school house, Oct. 31. Possibly this was the lecture room in the basement. That appears to have been ready in September. The formal opening of the church took place on Christmas day of that year, the Rev. Mason Galleger being the rector and present to conduct the service.

Rectors of the Church.

The line of rectors has been a considerable one for 36 years' existence. It is as follows: Rev. Mason Galleger, Nov., 1869, to Sept. 25, 1870. Joseph A. Gillilan came and was ordained deacon

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Thirty-sixth Anniversary Celebrated There By Rev. Dr. A. W. Ryan, Rector in Charge.

here, Sunday, Oct. 18, 1870. Later he was priested in the same place and held the rectorship until June, 1872. For a short time Rev. L. N. Freeman, of Chicago officiated, and was followed by another rector, the Rev. Arthur J. Wilson, who remained until Nov. 22, 1874. Rev. F. R. Millsbaugh, now Bishop of Kansas, was here from the latter part of 1875 to Aug. 14, 1876. Rev. Richard Wainwright came here April 22, 1877, and resigned Sept. 29, 1878. Mr. Wainwright was an able preacher and was most active in missionary work. He was succeeded by Rev. Charles A. Cummings, July 14, 1879, and he remained until some time in 1883. To Mr. Cummings belongs the honor of starting the hospital in a building on Third avenue east and the main work in erecting the frame building on Second avenue east and Fourth street. Then came Rev. Chas. A. Poole, now professor of divinity in Seabury Hall, Fairbault.

Mr. Poole was active in missionary work in the outlying districts and put St. Luke's into such condition that it afterwards became an independent mission.

Barker Is His Successor.

Mr. Poole ended his work here Aug. 26, 1888, and was succeeded by Rev. W. M. Barker, afterward Bishop of Western Colorado, and finally of Olympia. Mr. Barker held his last service on Ash Wednesday, 1893, having begun his rectorship March 3, 1889. The present rector began his labors here October 1, 1893.

We have no minute book before the advent of Mr. Gillilan, where after a time we have the names of the following as being on the vestry: B. S. Russell and Henry Selby; wardens. The other vestrymen were J. R. Culver, Charles G. Nichols, G. W. Cottrill, J. I. Smith, T. B. Merritt, J. K. Seaton, G. C. Jones. Among the earliest families

were those of Gen. Sargent, of whom Mrs. Sargent was always for years an active worker, and Mrs. Macmillan was most useful in parochial activities. She afterwards became a missionary to Africa. Col. Culver and his family were always foremost in the work. There were also the Nettleton family, the Peytons, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Miller, Mrs. E. T. Bywater, the Wallbanks, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Storn, the Cashes and Mrs. Pratt.

Has a Varied History.

The parish has had a varied history, feeling the many depressions in business and at all times being self-dependent in an extraordinary degree. St. Paul's has had largely to carry the mission work in the city and has shown remarkable zeal in erecting and maintaining a hospital for the public good. In the last ten years it has not done much for itself but has nevertheless carried a great burden. Unselfishly it has looked for others' good and not its own selfish ends. It paid a large indebtedness, it sacrificed itself to give absolutely vital help in raising the greater amount of endowment for a new bishop, when there was but little money in the city. Some of our leading men could not give money, but gave their notes for amounts totalling \$3500, when it looked as though the project for relieving Bishop Gilbert, of beloved memory, from his too great responsibilities was doubtful, and when it became imperative to build a new hospital, we put aside the selfish desire to have a new church, and all worked together to the end that we have one of the best western hospitals for disproving, for sanitary conditions, and for summer cure. It marks a most unselfish career that though we well might have expended this money on building betterment, we passed our vanity by, and did what seemed best for the city at large.

On our mission churches would have been sold for a mortgage, had not our parish stepped in and paid in large part the indebtedness. And always our people have given largely to every part of the church work in our midst. It should make us take courage that this is true and hope that St. Paul's, as in the past, will be one of the main factors in the spiritual up-building of our city.

October has been a fruitful month with us. It was Oct. 31 that the first set service was held, probably in our basement. It was in October that the hospital was started. It was about that time that we entered the building on Fourth street. It was in October, 1902, that we began work in our last noble building. It was in October that Bishop Barker was elected and a year after that the present rector took charge.

There are two incidents, amusing or

portentious, that have occurred, that may be of profit to recall.

In the olden days, the winter was so long and the community was so long isolated, that when the first boat arrived it drew the attention of the whole city. It was a Sunday in early May of the year 1870 and the congregation was just finishing the morning prayer when the whistle of the first boat, the Keweenaw, was heard about two miles out in the lake.

Speaks of Old Whistle.

At once the church was vacated by all the congregation except the rector and it is not recorded whether he completed that service or not. The next Sunday, however, he gave out the following notice: "Service next Sunday at 10:30, Providence permitting, and the whistle of the Keweenaw doesn't blow."

On the evening of May 19, 1871, during the rectorship of Mr. Gillilan, Bishop Whipple was confirming a class and it was near 9:30. Hands had just been laid upon the candidates, when on the sill of the only open window there appeared a storm bird or cross bill, so called from having a red cross on its bill. Taen in the silence of the church, where all had been deeply impressed with the sacred service, was the bird heard thrice to pour out his little orison. Its effect on the congregation will readily be imagined.

We wish that we might record and give honor to all the men and women who have toiled and sacrificed themselves, that we might enter into their heritage. Together with those mentioned before are to be added such names as those of Mrs. Graves, B. F. Mackall and B. S. Russell.

Coming of Bishop Whipple.

Then there came Bishop Whipple, instant in season and out of season and maybe dearest to our hearts, Bishop Gilbert, in all ways, a man, a gentleman and a caretaking bishop. Many another there was who ought to go down in our bedroll. May the good Lord remember them and bless them richly for their good works. May we be found worthy to walk in their steps and gain some small measure of their crown of glory that shall not fade away.

At the close of the reception the rector and Mrs. Ryan received numerous congratulations from their guests upon the marked success of the last twelve years of the church in a great measure due to their efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Silverness, Archivist

LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE –JUNE 2023

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

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25	July 2
ALTAR GUILD	K Leonard	S M Anderson	C Miller	R Ballou-Buck	J Harvey
	S Cox	S Hall	A Gustafson	D Kolquist	S Cox
	J Harvey	A Sadowski	L Hultkrantz		S Sommer
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LECTOR 8:00 am	A Mackenzie	J Pastor	M Gustafson	N Diener	J Pastor
LECTOR 10:00 am	M Gustafson	M Chilson	Z Stodola	R Butler	J Stromquist
CHALICE	M Gustafson	M Chilson	Z Stodola	R Butler	J Stromquist
BEARERS	J Pastor	K Smith	M Spencer	M Chilson	N Constance
	S M Anderson	P Enenbach	J Stromquist	P Enenbach	N Diener
ACOLYTES	M Butler	A Dodge	M Butler	A Barthel	L Fellman
	L Gustafson	A Keto	C Butcher	E Barthel	L Gustafson
	C Gustafson	J Shambour	I Denney	J Bauer	C Gustafson
LIVESTREAM	J Austin	D Barthel	R Lyle	J Austin	J Austin
COFFEE HOST	Barthel Family	French Family	L & B Brunfelt	Morin-Swanson Family	Spehar Family
USHERS	R Lyle	G Olson	M Brown	D Morin	R Lyle
	G Olson	N Schuldt	S Brown	K Swanson	G Olson
	P Waite	P Waite	D Kolquist	D Barthel	P Waite
	M Gustafson				M Gustafson
LOCK UP	D Pederson	B Stapp	C Fellman	M Brown	T Diener

Altar Guild Other Duties for June:

June Linens:

C Miller, E Killen
Subs: C Conrad

Weekly Team Subs:

G Bouschor, E Killen

Brass Cleaning for June:

C Conrad
S Anderson
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J Marinac



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9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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Rhubarb Festival

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 When: 9 am-3 pm, Saturday, June 24, 2023

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