

# THE MESSENGER

MAY 2025

## They Just Don't Build Them Like This Anymore



For more than 150 years, St. Paul's Episcopal Church has served its congregation and surrounding community with love and care. The very stones and bones of this building are a gift from our ancestors – congregations past – and they should stand strong for the next generations who will worship, sing, pray, grieve and love in this sacred place.

They should, that is, if we honor our responsibility to be good stewards of that which has been given to us. These lovely old stone churches need care, too!

And we clearly understand all that our building needs now to support its mission. We have exhaustively studied the specific tuckpointing mortar and methods that need to be applied to keep it solid and watertight. We successfully completed a major rebuild and repair of the belltower using those materials and methods, and thus far it has kept the sanctuary dry. Now we need to finish the job inside and out – more tuckpointing, exterior repair and maintenance, and fixing the damaged plaster and stonework inside the sanctuary.

Our sixty-plus year old organ is in dire need of major rehabilitation. It's missing middle C, for crying out loud! Tom Hamilton's musical wizardry is the only reason more people don't notice that the pipes and mechanisms that create that fabulous wall of sound need extensive repair and replacement. The people of St. Paul's have made it clear over the years just how important our music ministry is, and we cannot afford to lose this integral part of our worship experience.

Our ancient boiler is still chugging along; we made it through another winter! But we know for certain that it will need to be replaced in the not-too-distant future; regular checks and maintenance will not keep it operational forever. And we don't believe it is responsible stewardship to wait for the boiler to fail before taking the neces-

sary steps to provide dependable heat and comfort.

Lastly, we need to invest in a significant upgrade to our elevator, as replacement parts are increasingly difficult to procure. Many people who worship and gather here rely upon that elevator to get them where they need to be for any given event. It's an essential element contributing to our building's accessibility.

All these actions are necessary and increasingly urgent, and St. Paul's leadership has been communicating our intention to conduct a capital campaign to address the deferred repairs for some time now. We are long overdue for a capital campaign, the last one having taken place in 1998. Parishes of our size generally conduct capital fundraising every 10-12 years to accomplish tasks that cannot be covered under an annual operating budget.

And now, all the talk about and idea of a capital campaign is getting real. This is admittedly a big, ambitious, audacious, undertaking! We believe it is something we must do to ensure the legacy of this community of St. Paul's continues for generations to come. In taking the next step on this journey, we need to build support from within to make this vision a reality. Your ideas and opinions are essential – but more importantly we need you to be knowledgeable about our goals and what it will take to meet them.

How can you help? First, **pray** for God's guidance and strength so that we may realize our vision for mission and ministry. **Attend** information gatherings coming up on May 11 or May 14.

**Participate** in the pre-campaign survey coming later this month. We really need all households in the parish to respond.

**Prepare** for a potential capital campaign this fall by understanding the vision and your potential role. **Prayerfully consider** how God is calling you to participate through volunteering and financial giving at the appropriate time.

Yours in the spirit of St. Paul's,

Nancy Scholdt



## Save the Date: Events Coming Up



**Saturday, May 3:** Rummage Sale

**Sunday, May 11:** Coffee Hour Forum about the Church Building Capital Needs

**Wednesday, May 14:** Faith Forum about the Church Building Capital Needs; Youth Formation groups meet

**Sunday, May 18:** Graduation Sunday

**Sunday, May 18:** Acolyte Appreciation Event

**Thursday, May 22:** Messenger deadline

**Monday, May 26:** Memorial Day (Holiday)

**Thursday, May 29:** Messenger bulk mailing



**Sunday, June 8:** Pentecost

**Sunday, June 15:** Trinity Sunday

**Thursday, June 19:** Juneteenth (holiday)



**Friday, July 4:** Independence Day (holiday)

**Sunday, July 20:** Lake Superior Sunday

**Thursday, July 24:** Messenger deadline

**Thursday, July 31:** Messenger bulk mailing

## Sundays in May

**Sunday, May 4:**

### Baptism & New Member Sunday

It's May the Fourth (IYKYK) and St. Paul's will receive Selma Knowles into the household of God through baptism. She is the daughter of Paul & Corin Knowles, and baby sister to Johanna and William. We are also welcoming new households to St. Paul's with a special blessing at the peace. Please join us to celebrate them!

**Sunday, May 11:**

### Celebrate the 110th Anniversary of our Completed Sanctuary!

St. Paul's has been located on Superior Street for 110 years. The building was begun in 1912, but the first service in the completed sanctuary was on May 11, 1915. Since then it has been a place of worship and community for generations. To mark the occasion, we are hosting a special forum after church to share with you some significant needs that our old stone building requires. Our community loves our sacred space, and we are dedicated to ensuring that it lasts for another 110 years. Please join us for refreshments and a special forum after the 10 am worship service with the rector, property committee leaders, and Nancy Schuldt, the chair of our capital fundraising effort.

**Sunday, May 18 at 10 am:**

### Graduation Sunday & More

- ♦ Gather to celebrate the young people who are graduating from High School! We will hear from graduates during the homily and send them off with a special blessing. All graduates, from high school to the doctorate level, are invited forward to receive the blessing.
- ♦ After church, acolytes are invited to Incline Bowling Station to celebrate a year of ministry!
- ♦ The Pre-Campaign Survey for our Capital Project is set to open on May 18! We need all households to participate. Please keep an eye on your email!

**Sunday, May 25: Memorial Day Weekend**

One service at 10 am (no 8 o'clock)

**Sunday, June 1**

Sophie is hosting a kids' end-of-the-year celebration for all our young folks in Sunday school or youth groups.

## From Your Senior Warden



Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia! On Easter Sunday my husband, Tom, counted the Alleluias for both services and between the liturgy, hymns and the choir's contributions, there were 266 ALLELUIAS said, sung or chanted in the Sanctuary that day. Celebrating such joy of the risen Christ - after the grief and horror of Jesus' death on the cross and the follow-

ing three very dark days - was exhilarating and quite moving. Alleluia Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

To say that the time between Ash Wednesday and Easter at St. Paul's has been busy is quite an understatement. Not only did we have a full schedule of Holy week services, but Wednesday evening programming and Bible studies continued, Friday stations of the cross were offered, a newcomer's group met, flower bouquets were made and a wonderful Easter brunch was served. I am sure there was even more going on as well. We move now into Easter season which is the 50 days after Easter Sunday, and concludes on

Pentecost Sunday. Our Alleluias are back! As we look forward, St. Paul's has a lot coming up. The rummage sale will happen on May 3. Graduate Sunday and Acolyte Appreciation is on Sunday, May 18.

One of the top priorities being addressed is our Capital Campaign. We are moving into the next phase of the campaign, and I want to share some important dates with you. On Sunday May 11, not only is it Mother's Day and Fishing Opener, but we will also celebrate the 110th anniversary of the first service held in this church on May 11, 1915. After the service there will be an Open Forum on the church's needs for the 2025 Capital Campaign. This will also be the topic of our Wednesday night programming on Wednesday, May 14. I urge you to attend one of these meetings to learn about the Capital Campaign and the priorities for capital improvements to the church.

I wish you a blessed Easter season.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

*Nancy Diener, Senior Warden*

## Graduation Sunday

**Sunday, May 18, 10:00 am**, please join us to celebrate all of our spring graduates this season — high school, college and beyond. We have invited all of the high school seniors to address the congregation at the 10 am service on May 18, and we will have a special blessing for all graduates.

Seniors who may not wish to speak, but may wish to participate in a more introvert-friendly way are also welcome to do so. Please let us know. Graduates of college or graduate level programs who wish to participate in some way may also reach out to Rita: [office@stpaulsduluth.org](mailto:office@stpaulsduluth.org)



## Acolyte Appreciation Event

**Sunday, May 18, 12:00 pm**  
**Incline Bowling Station, Duluth**

Acolyte Appreciation Event at Incline Bowling Station (601 W Superior St) after church. Acolytes should arrive at Incline between Noon-12:15 pm to gear up for bowling, games, pizza, and fun. Plan to pick up your child between 1:45-2:00 pm at Incline that day. RSVP to Holly Hansen at 218-310-1674 or [hlhansen13@gmail.com](mailto:hlhansen13@gmail.com).

Thank you to this school year's St. Paul's Acolytes: Anna Keto, Caitlin Gustafson, Calvin Butcher, Eliana Erspamer, Ernie Barthel, Jack Shambour, Joe Bauer, Jupiter Sadowski, Laurel Sadowski, Matthew Devich, Riley Wall, Sara Keto and Tanis Halverson!



## St. Paul's Rummage Sale

**Saturday, May 3**  
**8:00 am—1:00 pm**

The Rummage Sale is just around the corner, and there are lots of opportunities to pitch in and help!

**Monday, April 28 through Friday, May 2**, please come help us sort and price items to sell, drop in anytime between **8:30 am-3:00 pm**. Please consider donating something for the Bake Sale, too.

**Special Pre-Sale Event for Church Members Only!**  
**Friday, May 2, 5:00-7:00 pm**

**Saturday, May 3, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**, please help at the sale, you can greet shoppers, help add up sales at checkout, help customers carryout their purchases, then box up the leftovers and transport to Savers.

We have an online sign-up sheet for volunteers: [www.stpaulsduluth.org/sign-up](http://www.stpaulsduluth.org/sign-up)



Questions? Contact Jim Sontag 908-239-5596 or Susan Anderson 218-724-3732

Thank you for supporting the ministries  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

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Deadline to submit items for the June-July issue of *The Messenger* is  
8:00 am, Thursday, May 22, 2025.

Please email items to:  
[office@stpaulsduluth.org](mailto:office@stpaulsduluth.org)



## From Your Deacon

*When we are blinded by anger,  
you pour out your love for all to see;  
when we wonder  
what tomorrow will bring,  
you call us to trust in you;  
when sadness fills our lives,  
you plant gladness in our hearts.  
God of Easter:  
touch us with your grace.*

*You show us your hands,  
so we may reach out  
to mend the broken;  
you show us your feet,  
so we may walk with  
those the world passes by;  
you show us your face,  
so we may know what  
our sisters and brothers look like.  
Risen Christ:  
touch us with your compassion.*

*You open our eyes,  
so we may see God's love;  
you open our minds,  
so we may welcome God's Word;  
you open our lips,  
so we may be God's witnesses.  
Spirit of Hope:  
touch us with your peace.*

*God in Community, Holy in One,  
open us to your presence,  
as we pray as Jesus has taught us, saying,  
Our Father . . .*

— written by Thom Shuman

When the world is in chaos around us, it is important to remember who we are and where we place our trust. God has given us a brain and expects us to use it to respond to the world in which we live, and also the Holy Spirit to remind us of realities that go beyond what we can see. How are you responding to the daily headlines? Where are you drawing strength and hope?

I don't understand everything that is going on in the world today, but this I do know: God is the source of my hope, and my confidence is in the fact that love heals all. Needs are rising exponentially, providing us with more opportunities to share love for our neighbors. Systems are crumbling around us, providing us with more opportunities to build back bet-

ter, in ways that leave no one behind. Political partisanship has given birth to an increasingly polarized world, but as our safety net systems are breaking down we have more opportunity to build authentic relationship with all who are feeling the pain of the volatility of rapid change – which is pretty much all of us. I

just spent almost two hours on the phone with my Republican ex-husband sharing our common concerns about what is happening in and to our country, and neither of us are happy with it. There was not blame and shame, just shared concerns about how to rebuild society around the common good.

This is an opportunity to reclaim our neighborhoods and engage in authentic conversation as we come together to meet each other's needs. My neighbor Tom runs his snowblower down my front walk and I 'pay' him back with fresh garden produce. Sarah and I will host a block party in June to bring our neighbors together around a backyard campfire. You've heard me preach it: "As you go, gossip the gospel." Civil discourse begins at home, one neighbor at a time. Love begins at home, one neighbor at a time.

We are blessed to be surrounded by our faith family at St. Paul's, but many of our neighbors and friends no longer have this. We can draw on the strength and support of our church community inside the red doors, and "Go forth to love and serve the Lord" in our neighborhoods, in our classrooms, with our coworkers and colleagues. This is how we "gossip the gospel" and bring the Good News to the world!

If you desire a deeper relationship with God and with our faith family, and are looking for an opportunity to connect, please let me know. There are so many ways to do this at St. Paul's, but they are not always apparent to everyone. Watch for Practicing the Way mini-series or events as we share what we have learned. These include the current prayer series, but also plans for many more events beyond the red doors, and you are welcome to come along and get to know us!



Deacon Pat

# St. Paul, Baptism and More

Dear Friends,

Well! It's been quite a month. It feels like everything around me is completely raucous! It was just over a month ago that I was on a lovely Women's Retreat at Camp Amnicon- but I can barely remember that now, because it already feels like years ago. Roots are going buck wild in the ground, bears are debating whether it's time to leave the den or not, plants are already throwing their pollen around, Christ died AND rose, my family decided to go on its first international trip, we filed taxes, we've been sick twice, we made some maple syrup, and that doesn't even cover the news or work! Now that the incubation of Lent has passed it seems that life is really moving along.

The other day I was thinking about a big trip I took almost exactly 20 years ago. When I was in college, I studied History. I was also pretty churchy (even though I didn't really see that at the time.) So, there was this course that let me get credits for spending three weeks in Greece and Turkey studying ancient tourism and retracing the travels of Paul. As an antiquities nerd, I jumped at the chance. We landed in Athens where we saw the obvious landmarks, spent ten days in ancient Corinth studying the book of Corinthians and excavating a Roman Bath, took a boat to Samos where Pythagoras was from, then to Izmir in Turkey, Bergama, Troy, and eventually, Ephesus. By the time I got to Turkey I was pretty tired. I wasn't expecting to have my mind blown by that point. I felt like I had seen it all: statues, baths, olives, the sea, beans, the sea again! I got to Ephesus and was a tiny bit skeptical, but it ended up being the best part of the trip. Here's why:

Paul the Apostle wrote to the Ephesians in an effort to encourage unity in a diverse and rapidly changing place. The violent fallout after the Death of Jesus everywhere in the region, and Rome would still rule for some time. Paul was an Apostle who never got to meet Jesus, living about 30 years later. He reinvented himself throughout his life, going from being a follower to a leader. He knew what it was to have a radical shift in perspective and encouraged people to see all angles of life with compassion, love, and faith- even if it doesn't quite line up neatly. We are all more than just one thing, but we are all still Children of

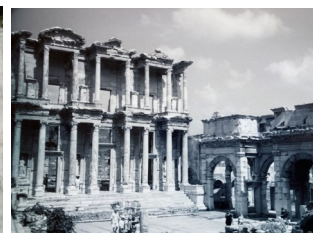
God. Ephesus was still very Roman in the time of Paul, and Christians were being prosecuted. It was obviously kind of a cultured place. The 2,000-year-old library was incredible, as were the aqueducts, old roads, and many other artifacts I saw there.

But then something REALLY interesting caught my eye. Around the city were little symbols carved into the rocks, like graffiti. Three little circles linked together like a Venn diagram, often kind of hidden in corners, and on cobbles. Signs pointing the way to a meeting point. There was nothing in the brochures about this, and we didn't have a tour guide that day, so I was really curious. I had seen similar things at Church back home. Eventually, I found someone to ask about this- where they lead and what they meant. They were early Christian way-finding symbols leading to a baptism font. I had to walk almost a mile out of "town" to get to it, and it was pretty tucked away with nothing around it. At some point, it might have been a secret. People were willing to risk a lot in order to be baptized! I wondered if I would have been that brave. Brave enough to go with God, even when a big scary Empire might punish you for what you're doing. Hmmm. I'm still digesting why visiting the font resonated so deeply, and how that translates to life today. But, I can say that I am very proud to work at a church named in honor of St. Paul. I see those same attributes of love, compassion, bravery, and curiosity around me all the time in the people here.

And, hallelujah that it's not sketchy at all to be baptized these days! In fact, we have one coming up on May 4 with the blessing of beautiful Selma Knowles! There are so many events happening around the church this month that I hope you're planning to attend.

Peace be with you. Thank you for a wonderful Holy Week.

Sophie Gray Spehar,  
Faith Formation Coordinator



1. Baptism Font outside of Ephesus
2. Roman carving of Mercury
3. An early wayfinding carving with Christian Symbols, Greek, and Roman writing
4. The Library: Paul would have been there!
5. Little me and a big statue of an Emperor. They were often made with enlarged features to be more intimidating.

# From Your Bookkeeper

Dear Parishioners,

Your first quarter Giving Statements were emailed to you on April 1. Please check through your inbox and spam folders carefully to locate your statement.

March 2025 financials were presented to the Finance Committee and Vestry in April. Here is a summary of the March General Operating Fund results.



<b>MONTHLY FIGURES: March</b>	<b>This Month</b>	<b>Year-to-Date</b>
Total Pledges collected	\$30,440.43	\$146,965.80
Total non-pledged collection	\$2,638.59	\$19,607.65
Investment support	\$7,222.01	\$21,654.65
Total Income	\$40,301.03	\$188,228.10
Total Expenses	\$50,192.86	\$151,876.29
Amount over/(short)	<b>\$9,891.83</b>	\$36,351.81

\*The pledge collection amount for March was under the budgeted amount.

\*Expenses were slightly over budget for the month of March, due to expenditures for Wednesday evening meals.

\*Our bottom line, income over expenses, for March was a deficit of \$9,891.83.

If you have any questions, please call my office or email me at [bookkeeper@stpaulsduluth.org](mailto:bookkeeper@stpaulsduluth.org).

*Christine Melone, Bookkeeper*

## United Thank Offering



Thank you for your generosity! We contributed \$556.87 to the United Thank Offering. Special thanks to Carlyle Conrad for leading this effort.

## Did You Know?



Did you know that, just like your own home, our church home needs major repair and maintenance every 15 years or so? And that these projects are too costly for the Operating Budget to cover? These types of building need costs are covered by Capital Campaigns. St. Paul's hasn't had one for 28 years. It's time!



Did you know that the mortar between the bricks of our building is crumbling? Yikes! This keeps the walls stable and holds our church building up. The repair process is called tuck-pointing, and St. Paul's needs a lot of it. We did tuck point the Bell Tower three years ago--whew!



Did you know that your Vestry and Building Committee have been working hard to discern exactly which major projects need to be tackled? More than a year of work has been done and now it's time to get the word out!



Did you know that our heating system is 35 years old and was intended to last only 30 years? And it uses steam which travels through pipes that are 110 years old? Definitely time to upgrade and modernize!



# Wednesday Night Schedule for 2025

St. Paul's Wednesday night series will close on May 21. Enjoy the longer daylight and join us again in the fall for Wednesday night Eucharist, Faith Formation, Choir practice, and more .

## Every Single Week until May 21

*Unless Canceled*

5:15 pm Eucharist  
6:15 pm Choir Practice  
7:30 pm Bell Choir Practice (until May 14)

## **Location of Wednesday Gatherings**

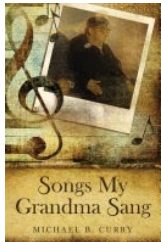
5:15 pm Eucharist – Sanctuary  
6:00 pm Meal – Parish Hall  
6:15 pm Choir Practice – Sanctuary  
6:30 pm Adult Formation – Parish Hall  
6:30 pm Confirmation – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Youth Room A  
6:30 pm Middle School Group – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Youth Room B  
7:30 pm Bell Choir Practice – Sanctuary

## Every Other Week

5:15 pm Eucharist  
6:00 pm Meal  
6:15 pm Choir Practice  
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Formation (only May 14 remaining)  
6:30 pm Adult Forum  
6:30 pm Confirmation  
6:30 pm Middle School Youth Group  
7:30 pm Bell Choir Practice (until May 14)

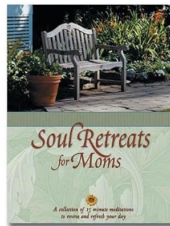


## New Additions to the Olcott Library

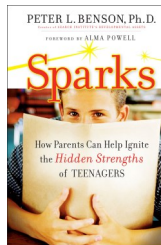


Songs My Grandma Sang by Bishop Michael Curry. Bishop Curry tells the stories behind the spirituals and hymns his grandmother and his ancestors sang.

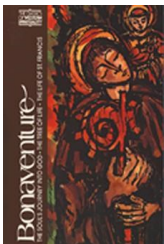
Soul Retreats for Moms by Lila Empson, Editor and compiler. Fifteen-minute meditations to revive and refresh your day.



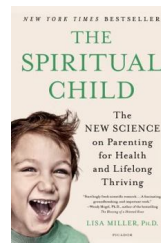
note from the common ways and incompatible with the common life, but rather as the heart of all real religion..." (E.U. 1936)



Sparks: How Parents Can Help Ignite the Hidden Strengths of Teenagers, by Peter L. Benson, Ph.D. "The greatest gift parents can give their children is to help them discover their purpose and passion."

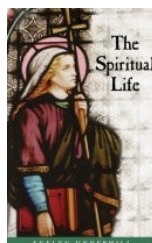


The Soul's Journey into God; The Tree of Life; and The Life of St. Francis by Bonaventure. These three works offer the core of Bonaventure's vision. According to Professor Cousins in his introduction, Bonaventure holds a central and pivotal position in the history of western spirituality.



The Spiritual Child: The New Science on Parenting for Health and Lifelong Thriving by Miller, Lisa, PhD. This book shows how and why spirituality nourishes our children's well-being.

The Spiritual Life by Evelyn Underhill. This book consists of the transcriptions of four broadcast talks made by the author prior to World War II. According to the author, "My object was to present some of the great truths concerning man's spiritual life in simple language, treating it, not as an intense form of other-worldliness re-



Respectfully submitted,  
Faye Witt



## Rhubarb Festival 2025

Join the fun and support our neighbors at the 2025 Chum Rhubarb Festival on Saturday, June 28, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at Asbury United Methodist Church (6822 Grand Ave). We're inviting our congregation to take part by baking rhubarb treats, volunteering, and spreading the word! Stay tuned for more details at the Chum Spring Assembly on May 20. Questions? Contact Bud Trnka at [btrnka@chumduluth.org](mailto:btrnka@chumduluth.org) or visit [chumduluth.org/rhubarbfestival](http://chumduluth.org/rhubarbfestival).

Check the June Messenger for info about baking rhubarb scones at St. Paul's!



## Bake Sale

**Saturday, May 3, 8:00 am-1:00 pm**

During the Rummage Sale, the Outreach Committee will also hold a bake sale of home-baked goods including cinnamon rolls, cookies, breads and bars. Bake sale proceeds will be dedicated to outreach initiatives such as Safe Haven, Damiano, Life House, and social justice ministries. For further information and to contribute items, contact Mike Maddy at [mmaddy@charter.net](mailto:mmaddy@charter.net)

## Outreach Grants

The Outreach Committee encourages parishioners to complete a brief application form requesting funds for such outreach initiatives as Safe Haven, Damiano, Program for Aid to Victims of Sexual Assault (PAVSA), and so on. The committee will accept requests on a rolling basis and consider them at its next quarterly meeting. To obtain a copy of the form, contact Zabelle Stodola on the Outreach Committee at [kzstodola@ualr.edu](mailto:kzstodola@ualr.edu)



## Livestream Ministry

As you know, St. Paul's has been livestreaming our worship services from the Church since Spring 2021, when we re-opened after the pandemic. Our livestreams have been watched by people around the world and they allow our out-of-town members and shut-ins to join us in worship from wherever they may be.

We have had a faithful crew of four volunteers who each livestream one Sunday per month. One of our volunteers is heading off to college, and one has resigned, so we truly need TWO more volunteers to learn how to livestream. It only takes a few extra minutes before the Sunday service to get prepared, and you will be all done by the end of the postlude!

Please call or email Rita in the Parish Office if you are interested in joining the livestream ministry. 218-724-3535 or [office@stpaulsduluth.org](mailto:office@stpaulsduluth.org)

# Lost Treasures From the Archives

The following item was published in the Duluth newspaper on August 3, 1883:

## Former Mayor of Duluth and member of St. Paul's Joshua B. Culver

As most of our readers will remember, Bishop Whipple, with a party of friends, passed through Duluth some three weeks ago, on his way to enjoy a season of rest and recreation at that famous fishing resort, Lake Nipigon, situated in the wilderness some 350 miles northeast of this place. Of course, during the absence of the party, they received neither letters nor papers, but they reached this city by a north shore boat yesterday, and it was not until their arrival that the Bishop learned of the death of his old-time and much beloved friend, Col. Culver, which occurred some two weeks ago. The Bishop, as can readily be understood, was very much shocked and saddened at the news of the sudden death of one whom he had known so long and well and esteemed so highly; and, before leaving for his home last evening, he handed us the following touching tribute to Col. Culver's memory:

...speak a word that, dying I could wish to blot, and I never heard him speak unkindly of those from whom he differed. He had won honor as a soldier, but no one ever heard him sound his own praises. I cannot tell the story of his life, I need not — it is written on your hearts. Duluth never has had and never will have a more loyal and devoted friend than was he. He was a true man everywhere. They who bear heavy burdens and carry sorrows knew him best. He was generous of his means to a fault, but most generous of all in kindness of heart where "there is that scattereth and yet increaseth." I knew him well and loved him more with every year. We shall miss him everywhere but from our hearts. Our friend was a Christian. Death came suddenly, but it was not the death from which in litany we ask to be delivered. He knew in whom he trusted. The door opened to everlasting life. It is well. So, one by one, they bid us goodbye; but as we parted, so we shall meet again. We are going not to a land of nameless shades, but to a home where we shall live in all the sameness of our individual being. We shall know and we shall be known. Our savior's resurrection is God's own surety. We sorrow for these brave souls but not as men without hope.

Yours faithfully,  
H. B. Whipple

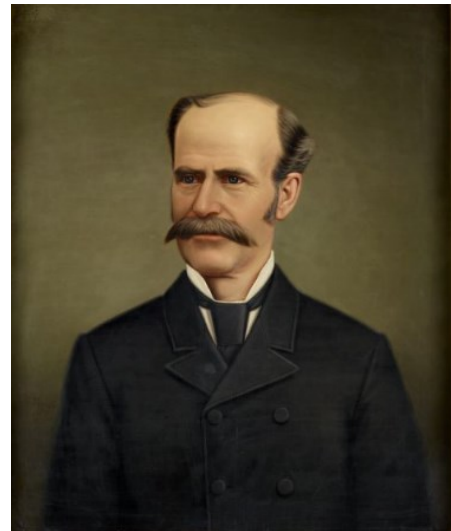
Duluth, Minn, Aug. 2, 1883:

### *To the Editor of the Duluth Daily Tribune:*

Dear Sir: — I hardly know how to clothe in words my thoughts as I heard on my arrival of the death of Col. Culver. We older folk feel strangely lonely when such friends die. It is too near eventide for others to take their places. I am sure you will permit me to bring my tribute of love to lay on his new made grave.

My knowledge of Col. Culver goes back well nigh thirty years. He was the friend of my brother John when they were pioneers in the days when Buchanan, down the north shore, was yet a city, and long before Duluth had supplanted Portland. How well do I remember my brother's praises of one whose hospitable home was always open to the stranger and whose kind heart changed strangers into lifelong friends. I loved the man before we met, and for almost twenty years his place has been with the dearest in my heart. How strangely memories chase each other. I remember the sweet services I held in his house when the families of Luce, Marvin, Nettleton, Hayes and Culver made up the population of Portland — the open-handed, bountiful hospitality of a home which always had a welcome for the coming and a God-speed for the parting guest — the days when, in storm and sunshine, we have coasted the north shore, waded its streams, together lured the trout with tempting flies, talked by the merry camp-fire and slept under the same blanket.

If there is any trace of selfishness the wilderness will reveal it; but there was no place where our friend was not a Christian gentleman — always first to think of others, always last to care for himself. It was the key to the life of a man who in thought and word means, a gentleman. I never heard him



*Joshua Backus Culver — you can find his name on the baptismal font at St. Paul's*

Respectfully submitted by,  
Bob Silverness, Archivist

# LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE – MAY 2025

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

	May 4	May 11	May 18	May 25	June 1
ALTAR GUILD	K Leonard	C Conrad	C Miller	D Kolquist	K Leonard
	S Cox	S Hall	L Hultkrantz	S M Anderson	S Cox
	M Malone	A Sadowski		S Sommer	M Malone
	C Day	K Timmerman		T Jansen	C Day
		L Kania			
LECTOR 8 am	F Witt	A Mackenzie	M Gustafson	Ø	J Pastor
LECTORS 10 am	N Constance	S Sommer	N Constance	Z Stodola	S Sommer
	K Smith	A H Peterson	N Diener	J Pastor	N Diener
PRAYER LEADER	O Morin-Swanson	L Brunfelt	C Miller	A Sundberg	P Peterson
VERGER	K Smith	K Smith	K Smith	K Smith	K Smith
CHALICE	N Constance	M Gustafson	N Constance	M Gustafson	N Constance
BEARERS	K Smith	S Sommer	N Diener	Z Stodola	S Sommer
	J Pastor	K Baumgarten	S M Anderson	J Pastor	N Diener
ACOLYTES	A Keto	C Butcher	E Erspamer	C Gustafson	E Erspamer
	S Keto	E Barthel	R Wall		J Shambour
	M Devich	L Sadowski	M Devich		E Barthel
NURSERY	A Rennan	B Fait, Ch Gustafson	J Schreck	A Rennan	
LIVESTREAM	J Austin	D Barthel	E Barthel		J Austin
COFFEE HOST	C Andrews and J Peterman	Special Event!	M & C Bauer	B & K Silverness	M & M Gustafson
USHERS	M Brown	D Barthel	G Olson	N Schuldt	M Brown
	S Brown	D Morin	P Waite	J Ransom	S Brown
	D Kolquist	K Swanson	M Gustafson	W Tabor	D Kolquist
		J Sontag	R Lyle		
LOCK UP	J Austin	D Pederson	B Stapp	S G Spehar	M Brown

## Other Altar Guild Duties for May

### May Linens:

C Conrad, S Hall

### Bread-Baking:

A Rouse



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# Celebrate the 110th Anniversary of Our Completed Sanctuary

**Sunday, May 11,  
after the 10 am worship service**



St. Paul's has been located on Superior Street for 110 years. The building was begun in 1912, but the first service in the completed sanctuary was on May 11, 1915. Since then it has been a place of worship and community for generations. To mark the occasion, we are hosting a special forum after church to share with you some significant needs that our old stone building requires. Our community loves our sacred space, and we are dedicated to ensuring that it lasts for another 110 years. Please join us for refreshments and a special forum after the 10 am worship service with the rector, property committee leaders, and Nancy Schuldt, the chair of our capital fund-raising effort.