



Inspiration

NEWS FROM SAINT PAUL BENSON

NOVEMBER 2023

PASTORAL PERSPECTIVE

Over the past few weeks, Saint Paul has embarked on a remarkable journey of faith and purpose, exploring the profound teachings of stewardship and sharing our blessings through the "Enough" campaign. We've learned that stewardship is not just about finances but also about the very essence of who we are as a church family. We must continue to take care of God's creation, and our commitment to God's work, our community, and the world beyond our walls is a powerful way to say, "Yes, we believe in God's abundance, and we believe in the power of sharing it."

Each one of us, with our unique gifts and contributions, is a vital part of this journey. No gift is too small, and no act of kindness is insignificant. Our combined efforts have created a masterpiece of change and hope as we support Saint Paul.

Included in this newsletter is your **Commitment Card** in support of our **2024 budget**. I ask you to respond by mailing the card or – better yet – returning it when you attend worship. On **Sunday, November 12**, we will consecrate the cards and dedicate our pledges to God. A celebration summarizing what we've learned during the stewardship campaign will be held the following weekend.

I ask God's blessings upon you this month and ask you to remember to embrace the joy of giving, for it is in giving that we receive the greatest blessings.

Faith

Rev. Faith Kubai

*Let your generosity be an
outpouring of your love for God
and your community.*



All Saints' Day Observance

November 4/5

Holy Communion and a reading of the names of members and friends who have joined the 'church triumphant'. Morning worship music provided by Joy Bells, The Choir, and the Solid Brass Quartet.



UNITED METHODIST MEN

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP RETURNS TO SAINT PAUL!

All Men are invited to attend a gathering to celebrate the return of United Methodist Men at Saint Paul Church. We are excited to share this opportunity for us to come together, share our stories, and strengthen our bonds.

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 5**

8:45 AM | ROOM 111

Lower Level; Use the Door Under the Red Awning on Corby Street

Pastor Faith and daughter Mimi will prepare a special Kenyan breakfast!

This delightful culinary experience will include an array of dishes that reflect the diverse flavors and traditions of Kenya. We'll have the chance to savor delicious dishes like Samosa, mandazi, and Kenyan pancake, & sip on aromatic chai tea.

More than the food, it's the company and the fellowship that will make this event truly special!

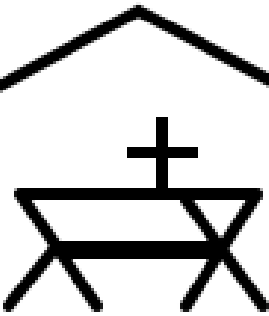


United
Women
in Faith

All Women Welcome!

**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 1**

9:30 AM ROOM 111
COFFEE & PROGRAM



Coming Soon!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Practice and lessons begin the week of November 19. All kids K-6 welcome to participate. Mark your calendar now to see the pageant "live" in worship on Dec. 17

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

All are welcome either in-person at Immanuel Village or join the fun via Zoom.

"The Rent Collector"
By Cameron Wright

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 | 9 AM
Meet on the 2nd floor "Hub" through the main entrance. Call Connie for info 402-660-8211.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

JOIN US EACH WEDNESDAY
4 PM | ROOM 111

Our November Calendar

COMMUNAL OFFERING: TOGETHER

By supporting Together, we are supporting a vision of a community of prosperity - where everyone has safe & affordable housing, food security, health, and wellness. When people need help, Together provides assistance including emergency housing and utility services. By giving generously, we extend the Christian values of Hope, Dignity, and Compassion to tens of thousands of people in the local area. *Thank you!*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9:00 – 4:00; Friday 9:00 – 1:00

SUNDAYS

8:45 AM	Soul Journeys for Women	Library
10:00 AM	Worship	
	In-Person in the Sanctuary and YouTube Livestream	
11:00 AM	Nepali Worship	Fellowship Hall
11:15 AM	Sunday School	Third Floor
3:00 PM	Prayer Service	Roth Chapel

MONDAYS

9:00 AM	Quilters	Offsite
10:15 AM	Lectio Divina	Library
10:30 AM	Morning Musings	Library
7:00 PM	MasterSingers Rehearsal	Roth Chapel

TUESDAYS

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting	Library
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Library
7:00 PM	Rev. Kubai Book Study	Zoom

WEDNESDAYS

4:00 PM	Tai Chi	Room 111
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THURSDAYS

9:00 AM	Advent Fair Team	Room 106
5:45 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30)	Balcony
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Nov. 2, 9, 16, 20)	Choir Room

SATURDAYS

5:00 PM	Worship	Roth Chapel
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WEEKDAYS

4:00 – 8:00 PM	Omaha Girls Rock	WH 254-62
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

9:30 AM	United Women in Faith	Room 111
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

9:00 AM	ENOA Foster Grandparents	Fellowship Hall
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

8:45 AM	Men's Breakfast	Room 111
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

7:30 AM	Piano Event	Main Level
9:00 AM	Book Club	Immanuel Village

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

3:00 PM	Holy Listening	Immanuel Village
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

1:00 PM	Pearl Spicka Birthday Party	Fellowship Hall
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Building Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Building Closed

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

3:00 PM	Band Set Up/Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00 AM	Band Rehearsal	Sanctuary
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A BENSON FAVORITE RETURNS

advent fair!

45TH
YEAR!

visits with
santa

homemade
lunch & treats

much more!

cash &
checks accepted

make & take crafts
cookie decorating

popcorn sculptures

photobooth

toy shoppe

coffee & hot
chocolate bar

xmas boutique

quilt sale

sunday, december 3

3pm - 6pm

SAINT PAUL *Benson*

54TH & NW RADIAL HWY.

Fun at Fontanelle

Saint Paul Youth had a great afternoon at Camp Fontanelle October 22nd. They volunteered to hand out candy in the Corn Maze and took advantage of all the fun fall festivities. Thank you to Priscilla Randall for her expert chaperone and photography skills!



DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT ADVENT FAIR!



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DONATED ITEMS

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and Much More!

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AUCTION!

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FIND US IN ROOM 109

LOWER LEVEL



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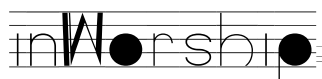
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RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

With God's love as our foundation, we celebrate friendship with all of God's people, affirming all sexual orientations and gender identities. Together, we will seek justice for all and do good in our community, nation and around the world in the name of Jesus Christ.



Rev. Jerry Brabec

Get ready to end daylight saving time...it's November. Remember to 'fall back' by one hour so that you won't miss worship!

We begin the month with our annual remembrance of All Saints' Day, **November 04/05**, the observation of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and a reading of the names of members and friends of Saint Paul Church who have joined the 'church triumphant' since last we commemorated. Morning worship includes special ministry through music provided by Joy Bells, The Choir, and the Solid Brass Quartet.

Michael Frey, violin/viola, joins as we consecrate our gifts and pledge to give what is truly enough in our lives on **Sunday, November 12.**

We are joined by our musical friends Darci Gamerl, oboe and David Downing, cello, the Bel Canto Duo to help celebrate our stewardship on **Sunday, November 19.**

An interfaith worship opportunity new to the Saint Paul family will be held on Sunday, **November 19** at 6:00 p.m. Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, downtown at 113 N 18th Street, will host the service, with clergy and choirs from First Christian, Temple Israel, First Congregational, the American Muslim Center, Countryside Community, Saint Margaret Mary, First UMC; Saint Paul United Methodist, all participating. This interfaith Thanksgiving service will provide the entire Omaha metro area a chance to celebrate God's oneness through the many faith traditions that bless our community.

Finally, November 26, we will close the church year with our house band leading us in worship, always a special musical experience.

From the Desk of . . .

Rev. Marta Wheeler

Dear friends,

It is a joy to meet you where you are and provide encouragement in your walk of faith. How comforting it is to know that we do not flutter about on a solo flight but support one another with Christ's love flowing through us.

Dyno Kids

We'd love to have your children and grandchildren join us for Sunday School each week from 11:15-noon. Last month youth volunteers Madlyn Warta and Elena Kelly brought fun games and cupcakes to help illustrate the lessons. Mimi Kubai teaches Jesus' parables in memorable ways that always show the love of God. It's fun to hear from the young ones!

Beginning the week of November 19th, Rev. Jerry Brabec will be singing songs of Advent and Christmas with the kids. These four weeks are preparation for the Christmas pageant during worship Dec. 17th. The Sunday School lessons will be focused on the true meaning of the birth of Jesus. We'd love to have your K-6th grade children and grandchildren join us!

Youth Group

The Saint Paul Youth group and sponsors were appreciated at Camp Fontanelle as they volunteered at the Corn Maze and made it more fun for the children and their parents. This month the youth will be assisting with the 90th birthday party of Pearl Spicka on Saturday, November 18th, and meet with leaders to check in and pray together.

Weekly Devotion

Check out the weekly poem and short devotion each Wednesday online at saintpaulbenson.org, on Facebook, or call the church office and ask to be added to the mailing list.

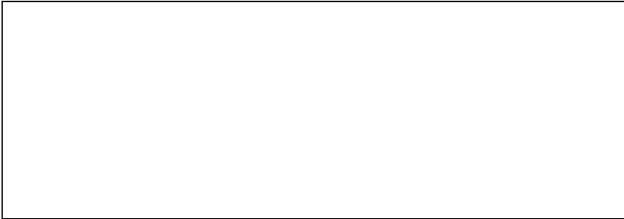
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PRAYERS *for God's People*

Christian Sympathy

To the family and friends of Joyce Black.

To Mary Rich in the death of her daughter, Christine.

Recent Hospitalizations

David Sidebottom, Dennis Wheeler,
Joan Hindman, Ramona Repair, Precious
Agnes-swali

Memorial Gifts

In memory of Ed Klima: Susan Griffiths,
Catherine Hanrahan, Marc May & Karen
Spencer-May, Robert Murray, Clara Ohr,
Mary Stolzer

In memory of Jolene Ward: Mary Stolzer

Memorial Gifts

In memory of Patsy Woodside: Devin &
Jerry Arnold, Arthur A. & Betty C.
Beckman, Barry & Pat Butterfield, Marilou
Dohe, Cheryl Harris Fleming, Leanne
Hake, Marcia Heitmann-Dorn, Brent &
Sarah Hoops & Family, Karen Hoops,
Mike & Yvonne Hoops, Patricia Hoops,
Jeff & Karen Kincart, JayLynn Long,
Wayne & Kathy Minikus, Pam Musil, Tom
& Louann Neneman, Brent & Savannah
Saltzman, Pam Schneider, Jill Seidel &
Family, Gloria J. Sorensen, Stephen R.
Sorensen, David K. & Glenda J. Walker,
Val Wallin, Mylo & Jacqueline Wells,
Ardis N. Wilcher, Rose Ann Wolfe & Jean
Allen, Lynelle Yzaguirre

We ♥
Volunteers!

A Big Saint Paul
Benson "Thank You!"
to Jackie Christoph!

Jackie volunteers each week to
vacuum all the carpeted areas. It
is such a great help!



*Congratulations,
Jayne!*

Jayne Meisinger completed an
Associate's in Applied Science,
Architectural Design Technician
degree at MCC!

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