

THE MESSENGER

NOVEMBER, 2020

Why Do We Give To The Church, Why Do We Also Pledge?

Dear Beloved,

In our opinion, we give to the church to sustain its efforts in gratitude and we pledge to provide its operators a commitment of money to help devise the St. Paul's annual budget. This is our call and request to all of you to help sustain our church and its operations in 2021.

When parishioners pledge or simply place money in the offering plate, where do these funds go? Our money goes into the "General Operating Fund" and is used for the church's expenses. What types of expenses does St. Paul's have, you ask? Similar to our places of employment, St. Paul's has the expenses of staff salaries and benefits, music and worship, education, administration (mailings, supplies, dues and licenses, phones, computers, etc.), building expenses (insurance, supplies, electricity, heat, water, sewer, snow removal etc.), outreach funds to help those in need including a donation to CHUM, food and coffee for the parish, and banking fees.

During COVID-19, like many businesses across the country, St. Paul's took advantage of the federal Small Business Administration's program called the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) that was also made available to non-profits as an "emergency loan." The PPP program provided funding for businesses and nonprofits to keep their workers on the payroll. While the program has now ended or closed, the good news is that Congress has chosen to make these funds forgivable or has granted

these funds to St. Paul's for payroll use. We are thankful for our church Treasurer, Natalie Smith, who applied for this program and secured significant funding to offset several months' worth of St. Paul's 2020 payroll expenses and through this pandemic helped us stay in the black.



move through all of these difficult transitions, we will find a new rector, music director, and will identify how to lead youth education. We need your help to continue to sustain our St. Paul's parish to make this happen. We are all doing the best we can right now in all facets of life, and we should remember to place St. Paul's in a spot of gratitude.

As we enter the season of Thanksgiving we kick off our "stewardship season" for 2021. St. Paul's has worked hard through this pandemic to sustain online program content, prayer worship, and some youth formation efforts. Look to Barb Elliot's report in this edition of The Messenger for more details about the impressive level of traffic our online services and events are generating; these services are likely being accessed not only by our current members but also

Overall, our "pledge income" is down for 2020 as it is difficult for all of us to remember to send money to the church when we aren't able to gather in person. However, pledged income is critical for sustaining our operations. St. Paul's operating expenses are lower for 2020 because we aren't open and can't meet regularly, and also due to staffing losses as we are all aware. As we

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November Thoughts



Time moves so strangely—sometimes it just crawls by, and then suddenly it is November! Within a few weeks it will be Thanksgiving, Advent, and our Interim Rector, Mother Debra, will be here. In these next few weeks, we will also need to say farewell to Tom Hamilton as he moves to Germany, and we will be completing our Stewardship campaign for this Fall.

Each Fall as we move toward Advent and Christmas, our Stewardship campaign happens. It is an opportunity for us to hear from others about St Paul's importance in their lives. It is also the invitation for each of us to reflect on how St. Paul's fits into our own lives. For me, it is a time of gratitude for how St Paul's impacts my life—and how it impacts so many lives.

This year is unlike any others we have experienced. We don't yet know when we can begin meeting again in person. We are not using our magnificent building, and we cannot see each other or hear about how things have been going since we were together last. But we do still have church and daily programming. Have you been wondering who else has been signing-on for our programming?

I certainly have wondered that, so I have been doing some review. It is interesting to note how many of us are participating in our online St Paul's activities. A review of the past month's metrics from our Facebook and YouTube channels revealed that many of us are still connected.

The numbers reported here combine participation from both channels. It is interesting that people do not participate at the time the events are first posted to a site. As an example, when Compline is done on Thursday evenings, often there are only about 10 who sign on at the 9 PM time. However

over the week, before next Thursday, about 100 people do participate in the Compline prayers. The numbers reported below are the average weekly totals during the month.

Currently there are 499 followers of our Facebook page, and 118 subscribers on the YouTube channel. Over the past month 483 different people have connected with our FB at least one time. (These 483 might not be 'Followers,' either.) This past month, our regular weekly events have been followed in a balanced way:

- Monday Reflection and Announcements averaged 125 connections
- Wednesday Evening Prayer averaged 122
- Thursday Compline averaged 102
- Friday Morning Prayer averaged 120
- Saturday Community Connections (only one time) was 127
- Sunday services averaged 165

We also have had special Events this past month, with strong participation:

- Our Blessing of the Animals on Oct 3 was posted and greatly followed on October 5 when our video and pictures were posted—328 people connected and commented about this on that day alone, and 120 more FB hits continued into the next few days.
- We also had two funerals available by FB posting as well. Marilyn Bamford's funeral had more than 135 participating, and Bob Hardman's funeral had more than 200 people connecting.

To me, this is exciting, and reassuring, that the work to produce these services is valued and used. Yes, we are not able to connect with each other as we have in the past, but St. Paul's is certainly connecting with many of us each week.

As we reflect on our Stewardship decisions, I am so grateful for you—and your impact on my life. I am grateful for our community and for the work we do in the world. Thanks be to God. —Reverend Barbara

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reaching beyond our virtual doors to potential future members. Please keep St. Paul's in your prayers and continue to give and identify your pledge for 2021. And stay tuned for updates to our parish website that will make that process easier than ever!

St. Paul's separately plans to launch a capital campaign for

facility work on our building's bell tower; more information from the vestry to come in the future.

From your St. Paul's Stewardship Committee:

Ed Hall, Jane Jarnis, Kathy Leonard, Holly Hansen, Rev. Barb Elliott, and Nancy Schuldt

From Your Treasurer

Dear Parishioners,

September financials were presented at the October 20, 2020 Vestry meeting. Here is a summary of the September **General Fund** Statement of Activities.

September update of 2020 pledges:

Pledge income received in September 2020	<u>\$ 41,490</u>
YTD 2020 pledge income as of September 30, 2020	\$ 240,293
YTD budgeted pledge income as of September 30, 2020	\$ 291,782
Variance of actual to budget pledge income as of September 30, 2020.	<u>\$ -51489</u>
 YTD 2019 pledges as of September 30, 2019	 \$ 227,710
 YTD income as of September 30, 2020	 \$ 367,955
YTD expense as of September 30, 2020	<u>\$ 326,382</u>
YTD income over expense September 30, 2020	<u>\$ 41,573</u>

The amounts above from the **General Fund** YTD expense do not include \$84,900 of payroll expenses that have been paid from the Payroll Protection Program loan and are recorded in a separate **PPP Fund**. We are expecting the entire \$84,900 to be forgiven.

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please call the office or email me at natalie@stpaulsduluth.org.

Respectfully submitted by
Natalie Smith, Treasurer



3 Ways to Give



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**Mail a check to St. Paul's
1710 E Superior St
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Thank you!

Interim Rector's Corner



Greetings to all of you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

More than anything I want you to know that John and I are very excited to be joining you and St. Paul's and journeying with you through this transition journey that will, in time, lead to a new rector becoming part of St. Paul's community.

How long this will take is uncertain. Like much that is happening in our communities, our country, and around the world, so it is with the church since the pandemic began.

There are many parallels between the interim/transition time and that of the pandemic. In each we are essentially wandering in the wilderness, much like the Israelites, leaving behind what was comfortable and familiar and heading to what, we pray, will be some sort of Promised Land. What it will be like post-COVID or with that future rector we do not know, but boy do we want to get there, and we want to get there just as fast as we can. As much as we might like to speed things up we can't, of course, and that is frustrating, isolating, causes anxiety, and other emotions that we can't quite name. I want to assure you that I, and John, are going to be with you throughout all of this journey no matter how long it takes, no matter how hard it is, no matter what we discover along the way. I trust that you will be with me and praying for me too.

The last week of October I was diagnosed with breast cancer. It was totally unexpected and came as a great shock. Essentia Health has been superb and it is quite possible that my surgery will have happened before I even appear in our first online worship together. I've been told I will find wonderful support among the St. Paul's community and I give thanks to God for being with you and in Duluth at this time in my life.

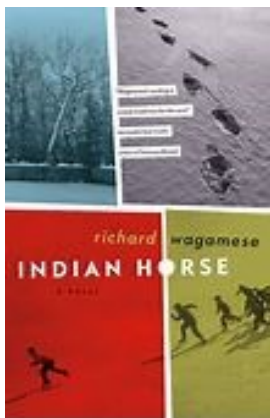
Over the coming months I will be sharing more with you about transitions of all kinds, but for now, let us turn our attention to Advent. Advent begins on the last Sunday of the month. It is a season all about new beginnings. God is surely involved in the reality that we will begin to deeply get to know one another in the Advent/Christmas season. We will have small online groups to accomplish this.

Advent is also a season of looking forward with anticipation, preparation, and excitement for the One who is to come, God in the flesh, Emmanuel and Jesus who will come again in the second coming. Let us prepare to celebrate Emmanuel, God with us, who brings us the joy of new life so that we might, like Jesus, be bearers of hope for all of God's children.

In Christ's Love,

Mother Debra+

Evening Bible Study



Since Memorial Day when George Floyd was killed, this group has chosen to read items that can expand our understanding of Racism, and thus we set the Bible aside for a few months. We have been having lots of good discussion.

This month we will meet on Tuesday, November 10, via Zoom again, 6:30-8:00 pm. We will discuss Indian Horse by Richard Wagamese. This book is historical fiction, and it de-

scribes the Boarding School experience created by our churches to educate American Indian children.

You are welcome to join us. Let me know if you would like the Zoom invitation for the November 10 session.

God's blessings... –Reverend Barb E
belliott@d.umn.edu

From Your Priest Emerita



Seasons

After the recent snowfalls my son shoveled eight inches from his deck. It was not as much as the record 1991 Halloween storm. Yet we will always remember that night when he drove home from college in Madison with a load of friends in the red Subaru. We were snowed in for three days.

We are approaching Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, times we usually gather for family, food, and faithful celebrations together. This year we are going to have to reconfigure our times to celebrate how we will join in meals and meanings.

Years ago we created a fresh manner to create Thanksgiving, since we had no relatives after moving here. We gathered our son's friends and their families along with folks from our two churches and all did a big potluck meal up at Split Rock Lighthouse Park and Shelter. We collected some folks who

also had no relatives. The churches were Pilgrim UCC and St. Paul's. That fresh manner has continued thirty years. This year it will have to change.

When I became an Episcopalian fifty years ago I learned about a new liturgical season, Advent was not an apparent part of Congregational Church life. I found it fascinating to prepare, wait and listen to what seemed to be strange scripture readings and music. Through many years I know it as a very meaningful way to approach Christmas. I now choose to discard some things I used to frantically do, to make gifts, to shop, to bake too much, to plan too many gatherings. I now listen to the readings, pray the prayers and actually hear the quiet of the world's poor and suffering, to write or call, or visit in some way those who need hope and care the most. This year may require more creativity than in the past. I pray to respond to this season faithfully.

*Rev. Margaret W. Thomas,
Priest Emerita*



This Saturday night, move your clocks back one hour.

St Paul's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Are you ready to take on a new hobby during the 2020-2021 winter months? If you are, consider joining St. Paul's Prayer Shawl ministry where we knit or crochet prayer shawls, lap robes, or chemo caps for those who are ill, grieving, or going through a life crisis. Listed below are the top 10 reasons why I'm a member.

Number 10 - It's more interesting and useful than watching Pride and Prejudice for the 10th time.

Number 9 - It's a great indoor, winter activity and supplies can be ordered through catalogs or on-line at low cost.

Number 8 - Once I learn a pattern, the repetitive motions are calming and conducive to prayer.

Number 7 - Prayer shawl patterns come in many different levels of difficulty so I can find a project that is perfect for a beginning knitter like me.

Number 6 - I have a sense of pride and accomplishment when I complete a new project that looks even somewhat like the pattern does.

Number 5 - Studies have found that knitting is good for my aging brain, since it challenges many parts of the brain at the same time (i.e., hand-eye coordination, repetitive motion, following a pattern, and memory).

Number 4 - I find that knitting is also good exercise for my aging fingers.

Number 3 - The Prayer Shawl Ministry gives me a reason to keep knitting long after I've given everyone I know a knitted dishrag.

Number 2 - I've gotten to meet inspirational people, like

Prayer Shawl Ministry Leader Nancy Aurand, who have been knitting prayer shawls for years and are encouraging teachers. **Number 1** - The number one, top reason I knit prayer shawls and lap robes is the good feeling I get knowing that our ministers bless these offerings and give them to people in need.

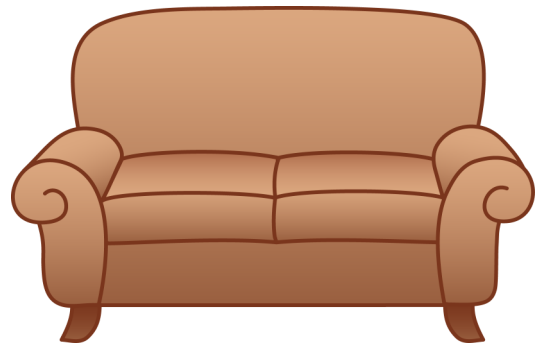
If you are interested in joining this ministry and need some patterns, please contact St. Paul's office so Rita can mail copies to you.

*Regards,
Marian Flammang*

Shawl Prayer found beside a basket of prayer shawls at Solvay Hospice House:

May this prayer shawl
Made with love and infused with prayers
Be a sign of God's sustaining presence.
May it refresh your weariness and
Provide comfort in your anxiety.
May it make available to you
Healing for your pain and
Consolation for your loneliness.
May it bring joy, gladness and
Brightest blessings.

We are still looking for a couple of dressers, a floor lamp, a sofa, and end tables for Mother Debra's use while she is in Duluth! Call the Parish Office if you have some extra furniture looking for a new home!



We Are All Called

In the third year of a three-year program, St. Paul's continues its participation in and commitment to the C3 initiative which is administered through the institute of Vibrant Faith. C3 stands for "Creating a Culture of Calling". It is a grant funded initiative to promote a parish culture of calling that helps people of all ages discover their purpose throughout life and equips them to live their callings in the church community, at home and in the world. The program is further designed to enhance the vitality of congregations by developing new ministry models for inspiring and supporting the callings of its members.

St. Paul's was invited to participate in the C3 initiative as one of twenty-four churches from eight denominations throughout the United States. The initiative is set to be completed in May 2021.

Everyone has a calling. Our callings in life are a dynamic response to who we are, how we live and what we give our lives to. Living a calling is transformational for the person and the world. Our callings evolve and also change over the lifetime. As examples, infants are called to gaze and behold. Youth are called to explore identity and a sense of self. Retirement may be a call to reevaluate where I live, who I love, how I serve and what I'll do.

St. Paul's has been intentional and effective in developing and implementing programming to meet C3 goals. Sermons, Wednesday night church nights and Messenger articles have had themes of calling. In October, 2018, Laura Fanucci facilitated "Called Together: A Day of Refection", with presentations and reflections on callings, challenges and changes in life. We provided a recognition dinner at a local restaurant for the many, many parishioners who participate in lay ministries. Themes of calling were embedded in children and youth Christian Formation and retreat pro-

gramming. The Youth program "Hands Across Duluth" embodies calling. The Harry Potter festivals had an underlying theme of finding faith. Rally Days enveloped a "Call to Love" theme.

Admittedly, new programming has been recently constrained with Covid-19. I miss, as I suspect you do, being in person with my church family. The C3 program, though, remains committed to its mission as it moves towards its May 2021 completion. The last phase of the initiative is called (no pun intended) All Called. This program focuses on how we can engage with people outside our own faith communities, people with whom we intersect in our daily lives. In conversation, we may help another to discover and value purpose and meaning in their daily experiences. Perhaps such conversations are particularly relevant at this time. It could be affirming to help a relative or friend explore the meaning of not only being a parent with a job, but also being called to be a teacher to her/his children. Having a conversation with a neighbor who is taking another neighbor for groceries or to medical appointments can be understood within the framework of caregiving as a calling. Yes, we are all called.

As a member of the C3 team along with Leslie Brunfelt, Glenn Maloney and former team members Bill & Sue Van Oss and Patrick Eidsmo, I have appreciated the opportunity to deepen my understanding of calling and in the process explore the meaning and purpose in my life.

We are all called.

*Peace be with you,
Diane Kolquist*

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From Your Vestry



Greetings from your wardens and vestry! We continue to work hard on the business of the parish, meeting twice again since last month's report. At a special meeting on September 29, we focused primarily on getting acquainted via Zoom with our new interim rector, Mother Debra Kissinger. We learned a bit more about her approach to transition ministry (her special expertise), and plans for her arrival here in Duluth in November (still looking for a couple of dressers, a sofa, and end tables!). Mother Debra's first service with St. Paul's will be on Sunday, November 22 – ushering in Thanksgiving, a "Gratitude"-filled Stewardship season, and then Advent, the beginning of the church year. The vestry also approved financial compensation for Rev. Dr. Barb Elliott, who has been sustaining our service and pastoral care ministries in this in-between time, with great love and caring. At our regular monthly vestry meeting Natalie reported on the September financials. As we have reported before, online giving rate is steady – even an improvement over last September's receipts – but overall income continues to lag compared to last year. Building and personnel expenses remain below budget, "thanks" to COVID, but we are now beginning to receive invoices for the extensive tuckpointing repair work on the bell tower. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, I encourage all who are able to please stay current with your pledged giving. Mark Brown reported on recommendations the HR committee is developing, in an initial attempt to forecast our staffing needs and to inform budget development for 2021. We all recognized the challenges of trying to find the right mix of salaried staff and service contractors to reflect our short- and long-term parish needs, under the constraints of distance-worshipping, while also considering the special circumstances of our transition ministry and calling of a new rector.

Jay Austin has been leading our foray into the brave new world of livestreaming services from St. Paul's, in anticipa-

tion of our phased reopening sometime next year. The vestry approved the purchase of a customized package of audio/video technology, with savings on labor costs by doing the bulk of the installation ourselves. And, fingers crossed, we have applied to the diocese for a small grant to reimburse most of the cost of that equipment under a new COVID response grant program announced at the ECMN conference last month. However, with Tom Hamilton's imminent departure, we also need to fill the near-term gap for recording, editing and publishing our video services. And find a new organist...and conduct a stewardship campaign...and launch a capital campaign to restore and maintain our beloved St. Paul's stone structure...and begin a search for a new rector...!

Full disclosure: there have been moments these past months when I have felt overwhelmed by the sheer number of weighty, complicated, daunting decisions that we are grappling with. And then, in that moment of doubt, I stand amazed by the energy and generosity of spirit that rises from my colleagues on the vestry, our dedicated staff, volunteers and various committees, who leap in with ideas and offers to tackle a problem, research information, take on responsibilities. These acts of generosity and displays of commitment are surely what will sustain us through this time of uncertainty. Our Stewardship Committee is ramping up quickly and bringing creative ideas – stay tuned! (Bonus brain teaser: see how many words from the Stewardship "word cloud" you can find sprinkled through this report from the vestry.) And please consider what gifts of time, talent or treasure you might be able to bring to keep our St. Paul's *Community of Caring* vibrant and ready to turn the corner into our next chapter!

Questions, concerns, or ideas for St. Paul's? You can reach me via email at: ncosta2799@charter.net

Peace,
Nancy Schuldt,
Senior Warden

Deadline for submissions to the Advent (December) issue of *The Messenger* is
8:00 am, Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

Please email items to: office@stpaulsduluth.org

Faith Formation Update

What are the Middle School members doing?

Last year we delved into these questions:

- who wrote our Bible?
- what does “made in God’s image” mean?
- why should I pray when God doesn’t answer all my prayers?
- is the Bible true?
- why does God let bad things happen?
- how do I stop doing things I know I shouldn’t do?
- is God male?
- is it okay to be mad at God?

This year we have started with exploring faiths around the world. Because there are over 4000 religions/faiths we acknowledge that variety and then concentrate on Christian, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Judaism. Within Christianity there are tens of thousands denominations/fellowships.

On September 16 we met outside in front of St. Paul’s. We stay masked and distanced for all our gatherings. We walked to 2012 E Superior St which was once an Episcopal Cathedral. We continued up to 1830 E 1st St, walked along the block to 1802 E 1st St. Then we climbed up to 1602 E 2nd St. We finished at 1100 E Superior St.

Which cornerstone belongs to which building?
(answers on p. 11)

Things to notice:

One building was built as Endion ME Church

One building was built as The First Unitarian Church

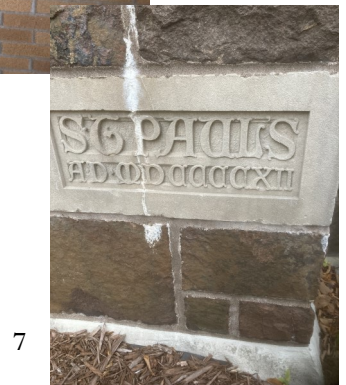
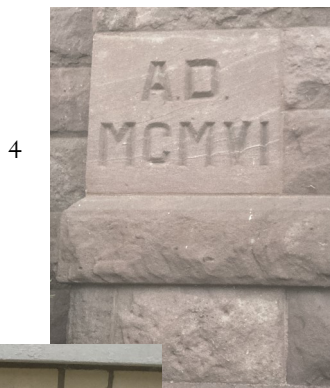
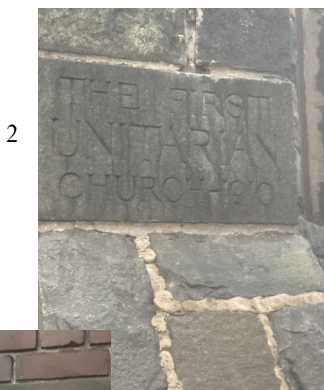
One building has two dates. 1950 and 5711. (It all depends on your year One)

One tricky thing is that one building has two separate cornerstones

The next week we met at Sadowski family’s yard and walked to the Islamic Center of Twin Ports. We discussed the five pillars of faith in Islam. Our next week outside Holy Rosary school we walked the labyrinth. The following week we met at St. Scholastica and walked the Gethsemane Cemetery. Our meeting on October 21, at the Bauer family’s yard, was a discussion of the Hindu faith. And on October 28 we sat at a backyard bonfire at the Barthel home.

Each week it gets darker and chillier. We dress like Northlanders and keep gathering. If you have a centrally-located yard and would like to host our group (two adults and approximately six students), please contact Nat Constance.

*Respectfully submitted by
Nat Constance*



Bell Tower Renovation Update

I'm sure everyone is wondering what is going on at the church behind the giant white curtain surrounding the entire bell tower. The short answer is that we are trying to stop the water infiltration issue that is visibly present in the sanctuary. I'll give you some background and a look into what is going on behind the curtain.

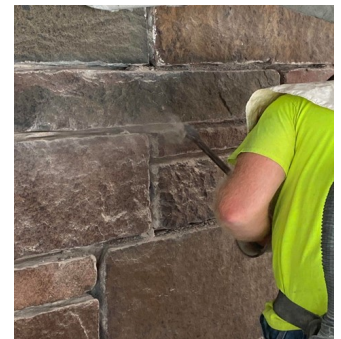
Back in 2008, while trying to determine the source of renewed water infiltration, we made our first discovery that the tuckpointing performed in conjunction with the 1998 renovation was failing. Following this discovery, we started a ten-year process confirming the failing tuckpointing is the culprit behind the water infiltration. We looked at all roofing, flashing, and caps multiple times. We brought in two architects and four contractors to provide their assessment of the situation. We have done non-destruction inspection and removal of stone to verify this problem. As well, we've done multiple test areas where we have re-tuckpointed to confirm we can stop the infiltration. Below shows two pictures of how the failing tuckpoint starts and how bad it can get – to the point where it is literally falling out.



In 2015, we hired Insite Consulting Architects (ICA) to begin a study of the problem with the intent to provide us a proposed solution. Steve Mar-Pohl is the President of ICA and he previously worked on the renovation and re-roof of the Hartley Building. He solved the water infiltration issue at Hartley and this is how we were introduced to him. Both buildings were designed by Bertram Goodhue. ICA completed an in-depth investigation and provided findings with a solution. We debated the reports for a couple years, while also re-checking everything that could also be a water infiltration problem. The proposed solution came down to re-tuckpoint the building, starting with the areas that are connected to the most evident water damaged areas of the church. We moved the process along and packaged the information together in a Request For Pricing (RFP). We had three companies that were interested and believed they had the ability to perform the work. All three proposed on the competitively bid project. Berglund out of Chicago won the

project award based on experience level with similar work and pricing. The solution we are faced with is extensive and expensive. We had the contractors propose how they could do the work in phases so we could take on what we could afford in sequence, while taking on the most critical areas first. The section of the building we are dealing with this year is the bell tower.

At the time of this writing, the scaffolding for the work is complete, the structure is fully enclosed, and the work is feverishly in progress. The work involves demolition of all existing tuckpointing back to a depth of approximately 6 inches, repair stone as needed, repair back pointing, inject latex modified mortar, and then complete the final layers of tuckpointing with the system and technique that will be visible. This work is difficult and extensive. Below are pictures that will give you an idea of the work. The first shows the enclosed structure and look at the typical demo. As well, as we expected to find, there are many open voids behind the main stone, which allows for water infiltration once the tuckpointing fails or the stone itself degrades to the point it is compromised. The third picture shows an example of voids.



As I stated above, the work is very difficult, but it is progressing close to plan. The demo is going as expected and the process of reinstalling the new tuckpointing is also going as planned. We are encountering some unexpected things in key two areas – the condition of the main stone and conditions at the parapet walls at the top of the tower. Many main stones that were cracked to the point of falling apart.

As well, the parapet walls have degraded to the point where we must come up with a cost acceptable solution to rebuild the top three courses of all four walls. While we have contingency in our budget to deal with some stone repair, we anticipated that more with limestone and not with the main bluestone. Both of these situations will cause the project to go over budget. Pictures below show an example of degraded main stone and the condition at the parapet wall. The parapet wall does seem to be a main source for water infiltration. These must be addressed in this project. This update gives you a brief look into the project, how it is



progressing, and what challenges we are encountering. The work is tough, the conditions are challenging, and we are encountering some issues that will increase the cost. Based on what we have encountered, we are confident we will stop

the water infiltration that is the cause of damage to the interior that we can all see. I will provide you another update next month. Below are some picture of work that shows the steps to get to the finished product.

Respectfully submitted by

*Craig W. Fellman,
Building and Grounds Chair*



Answers to the Faith Formation Quiz from Page 9

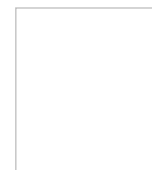
Which cornerstone belongs to which building?

1. The Endion ME Church became the Prince of Peace Fellowship
2. The Unitarian Church became the Meeting of Friends (aka Quakers)
3. Temple Israel
4. Mount Olive Lutheran Church (formerly Trinity Cathedral, Episcopal Diocese of Duluth)
5. & 6. First Lutheran Church
7. St. Paul's Episcopal Church

These are the addresses of the buildings:

- 1710 E Superior St, St Paul's Episcopal Church
- 2012 E Superior St, Mount Olive Lutheran Church
- 1830 E 1st St, Prince of Peace Fellowship
- 1802 E 1st St, Duluth Superior Friends Meeting
- 1602 E 2nd St, Temple Israel
- 1100 E Superior St, First Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
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A Farewell and Bon Voyage to Tom Hamilton



Our beloved Music Director Tom Hamilton is moving to Berlin, Germany on November 15. We are happy for him but sad for us! Tom's prodigious talents, kindness and generous spirit have been an integral part of our worship services and our Christian community here at St. Paul's. We would love to host a reception for him before he leaves, but with snow on the ground and pandemic safety measures in place, we decided that a special Zoom Coffee Hour would be the best way to share our best wishes with him.

Please tune in on **Sunday, November 1** for our All Saints' Sunday worship at 10:00 am, followed by Zoom Coffee Hour at approx. 11:00 am, for a special celebration of Tom Hamilton and our appreciation for his seven years of service to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

To join the Zoom Coffee Hour, click on this link: <https://zoom.us/j/502278631>

Meeting ID: 502 278 631

Or dial in by telephone: 1-312-626-6799

If you would like to contribute to a parishwide group gift for Tom, please send a check to St. Paul's at 1710 E Superior St, Duluth MN 55812. Mark clearly in the memo line that it is for Tom. He can also use all our prayers for safe travels with his cats! Thank you for your generosity.