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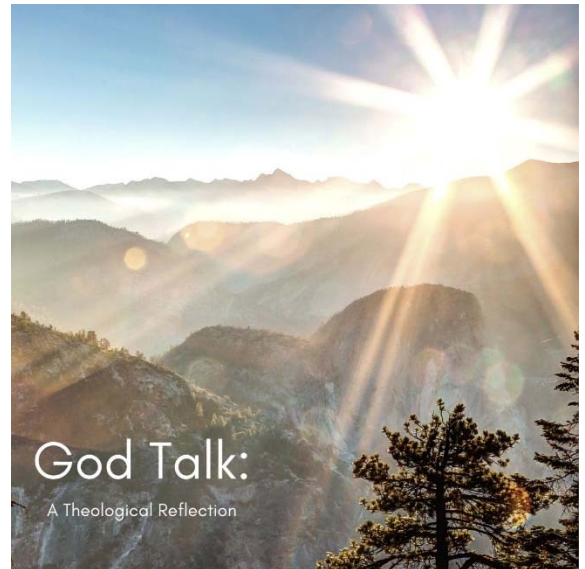
God's Work – Our Hands Sunday

Worship begins at 10:00am

Sunday September 12, 2021

God Talk

“Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.” -John 20:1



When I was a sophomore in high school, I took an English class during a timeslot my high school called “Zero Hour.” I woke up early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, got ready for school, and walked to Hazelwood Central High as the sun was coming up. I was so excited to start a new school year, grateful for the space zero hour made for an extra choir class in my schedule, and ready to start something new. That feeling of newness, excitement, anxiety, and hope is a feeling many children are feeling as they head back to school in person this fall. Although the beginning of the school year is tinged with adults in-fighting over masks and precautions, many children are filled with hope about the opportunity to be in person with their friends again, whether their smiles will be covered by masks or not. This time of year always fills me with hopeful expectation, as I browse the school supplies aisles at Target, or see the students gathering what they need to move into the dorms. Perhaps you feel that way too.

This fall is imbued with that same “back to school” feeling at St. Paul’s. As we get together again for Bible study, quilting, volunteer opportunities, council meetings, welcoming Vicar Charlotte, and new opportunities as they arise, we are gifted with hopefulness and renewal. We are like Mary, coming to the tomb on the first day of the week, filled with trepidation and hope, unsure of what we will find, surprised to find the presence of resurrection where there once was only death. The past year and a half have been so challenging, but we have learned about the God of hope and resurrection, who shows up in places we may have only expected to find emptiness or fear.

As we prepare for a new season of ministry at St. Paul’s, I hope that you, too, are filled with the hope of the resurrection, that “first day of school feeling,” ready to shake off the sackcloth of the last year and a half, and move with boldness and openness into the present and future that God has in store. As we do this, we will be surprised at the way God shows up among us, and the way we can show up for one another with care, compassion, and hopefulness.

-Pastor Delaney



September Anniversaries
7th Marty and Eileen Harrison



Welcoming Vicar Charlotte

On Sunday, September 12, Vicar Charlotte will begin their work with St.

Paul's! Please join us for worship, as we celebrate the beginning of their internship, and celebrate God's Work Our Hands Sunday. Vicar Charlotte's office will be in the space formerly known as the bride's room/meditation room, so feel free to stop by, say hello, and welcome them to the congregation!



Fall 2021 Bible Study

We will resume Sunday morning Bible Study on Sunday, September 19 from **8:15-9am**. This timeframe gives ample time for study and folks to get to church.



I am looking forward to getting back into scripture together, and I am excited for Vicar Charlotte's involvement in this aspect of our ministry as well.



Neighborhood House Food Pantry

Join us for a second visit to Neighborhood House on **Thursday, 9/30 from 3:30-6:30pm!** The Neighborhood House Food Pantry volunteer experience requires walking, and some light lifting (approximately 5 pounds at most). This is a great opportunity to continue growing our relationships in the community!

RIC Corner

Several months ago, as we sat together at council, talking about the ways God had shown up in our lives and world recently, one of the folks mentioned having noticed God's beauty and goodness in a breathtaking sunset. The beautiful mixture of day into night that occurs at sunset and sunrise is an incredible way we notice God's creativity and goodness in the natural world. This spring, in Bible study, we learned that these in-between spaces as means of noticing God's goodness also happen with human creation. As we continue to celebrate all of the identities of God's beloved children, we can recognize the beauty of the in-between that we notice in a sunset showing up in the gifts of those whose identities fall beyond the binaries of life.



Outreach News

Thank you St. Paul's members and friends for your on-going support of Kim's Closet/Kim's Table clothing ministry!

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you!

This summer we have been able to provide new clothing from New Threads of Hope, kid's clothing including underwear & socks, some adult clothing and other items from Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran church and hygiene packs from Galilee Lutheran church. AND new sock donations from you! Wow!

What's next? God's Work Our Hands Sunday is September 12th. This year we are collecting items for Our Safe Place. Several of the residents and Andy Liss have been assisting at the monthly Kim's Table event. Items they need include:

New or gently used twin bedding

Towels and wash cloths

Dish cloths, rags


Non-perishable goods such as canned vegetables, soups, cereal, crackers, pasta & sauces

Laundry and dish soap

Please bring any donations to church on or before Sunday, September 12th.



Thank you!
Outreach Board

A wooden table with a semi-transparent white overlay containing text. The background shows a wooden table surface with a grain pattern. The overlay is a rounded rectangle with a white background and a thin black border. The text is centered within the overlay.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021
12 NOON
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Kim's Table

Quilting returns!

The Dorcas Circle will be back in the quilt room on Thursday, September 23 at 9am. It has been over a year since they last met and are exciting to gather again! The Dorcas Circle plans to meet each month on a Thursday from 9am to noon.

Community Offering

For years, our congregation has offered coins on the first Sunday of every month for a nonprofit or ministry we support. As bank lobbies changed their policies, it has become harder to process change donations, we have decided to move away from coins and toward other forms of offering. Since April, we are no longer able to receive coins for organizations.

If you would like to donate to the monthly cause through our community offering, please do so by cash or check with “community offering” in the memo line.



Benedict Center – Milwaukee

The Benedict Center provides services and advocacy for women in the criminal justice system so they can live safer, healthier lives for themselves, their children and the community we all share.

Their mission is to work with victims, offenders, and the community to achieve a system of justice that is fair and treats everyone with dignity and respect.

Women’s Harm Reduction Program: *Provides mental health and substance abuse treatment through individual and group counseling for women in the criminal justice system.*

Sisters Program: *Helps women in the street-based sex trade find hope and live healthier and safer lives through a harm reduction and housing-first approach.*

Women’s Reentry Program: *Supports incarcerated women’s successful return to the community.*

Justice Advocacy: *Advocates for a more equitable justice system including public health approaches to substance use, mental illness and trauma instead of criminalization.*

To learn more about Benedict Center, visit their website at <https://benedictcenter.networkforgood.com/projects/131682-donate-to-the-benedict-center-spring>

September

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 
5 10am Worship Live Stream	6 Labor Day	7	8 7pm Council	9 	10	11 
12 GWOH Sunday! 10am Worship Welcome Vicar Charlotte!	13 Vicar Charlotte in the office WELCOME	14	15 Kim's Table Noon Confirmation 4pm	16	17	18
19 Bible Study 8:15-9am 10am Worship Live Stream	20 <i>October Messenger Deadline</i>	21	22	23 Quilting! is Back! 9am to Noon	24	25 Annual Outreach for Hope Bike Ride and Run
26 Bible Study 8:15-9am 10am Worship Live Stream	27	28	29	30 3pm-6:30pm Neighbor- hood House Food Pantry	Oct. 1	Oct. 2

SUNDAY GOSPEL AND PSALM READINGS

September 5- 26, 2021

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 5</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Isaiah 35:4-7a Psalm 146 James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17 Mark 7:24-37</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 12</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm 116:1-9 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 19</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalm 54 James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 26</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 Psalm 19:7-14 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50</p>

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

- 1 Karen Bromberek
- 2 Joanne Seeger
- 6 Earl Walter
- 16 Eileen Harrison
- 24 Marty Harrison
- 24 Breanne Monzel





**Saturday,
September 25, 2021
OFHRRW.org**

Join all of your friends on the morning of Saturday, September 25 for the Outreach for Hope 2021 Ride Run Walk (formerly the Family Bike Ride), and help fundraise \$150K for grants to central city congregations in the Greater Milwaukee Synod, ELCA!

Our in-person event sites will feature road and trail bike rides, a new 2-mile walk option, fun outdoor family activities, fellowship, and boxed lunches. We are also offering an online mileage tracker and fundraising platform for all participants, and a Virtual Only option for those who cannot attend an in-person event.

SITE OPTIONS:

- * Waukesha County: Dousman/Glacial Drumlin Trail
- * Ozaukee County: Grafton/Ozaukee Interurban Trail
- * Racine/Kenosha County: Kenosha/North Shore Bike Trail
- * ***NEW! Milwaukee County: Washington Park – walk only***
- * Virtual Only: Ride, run, walk, and/or fundraise on your own schedule from July 15 – September 25, 2021

Registration includes a free event t-shirt, access to our online mileage tracker and fundraising platform, and boxed picnic lunch for in-person events. Pay what you can: there's not set registration fee!

Sign up to volunteer: tinyurl.com/OFHRRWvolunteer



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WORSHIP AND HOSPITALITY TEAM: September 2021

	September 5 Pentecost 19	September 12 Pentecost 20	September 19 Pentecost 21	September 26 Pentecost 22
Assisting Minister	Bob Bromberek	Jeri Jende	Nancy Day	Bob Bromberek
Usher Team	3	4	1	2
Altar Guild	Judy Gilbertson Marcia Mikich	Jane Prahlow Marilyn Zirbel	Ron Karbel	Nancy Day Mark Van Engen
Greeter(s)	Karen Bromberek	Karen Bromberek	Karen Bromberek	Karen Bromberek
Communion Assistant	Mary Klug or Mark Van Engen	Kurt Ruehrmund	Judy Gilbertson	Wayne Ringwolski
Live Steam	No Live Stream	Mike Polinske	Elaine Disbro	Mark Van Engen
Open	Bob Bromberek	Ron Karbel	Mark Van Engen	Bob Bromberek
Close	Ron Karbel	Mark Voelz	Bob Bromberek	Ron Karbel
Counting Team	4	1	2	3

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