

SAINT PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

MESSENGER

APRIL 2021

HOLY
MARCH 28 - APRIL 3
WEEK

Monday-Wednesday
Compline (Night Prayers) at 8 PM
Livestreamed

Maundy Thursday
Livestreamed Service at 7 PM
Overnight Virtual Vigil

Good Friday
Cross Walk at 12 PM at Church Park
Service at 7 PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Easter Sunday - April 4th

DAMA Sunrise Service at 8AM in Church Park
Holy Eucharist at St. Pauls Lutheran at 9AM
Solemn High Mass at St. Peters Episcopal at 10:30AM

Pastor's Pen

“We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection.”

“All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.”

These words from baptismal and funeral rites capture well the fundamental Christian position about life and death. Death is not avoided, but by the grace of God, death does not get the final word: God has the final word, and it is a word of love and life.

The passage from Lent, through Holy Week, to Easter embodies this ritually for us. We follow Jesus as he enters Jerusalem and is marched to certain death on the cross. We lament the destructive power of Sin. We mourn at the tomb. We withdraw to the upper room. Then, we are transformed by the empty tomb, and at that grave we then sing “Alleluia!”

A constant challenge for us is to embody this reality in our lives as we do in worship. We know well the power of

sin and death! This last year has been racked stem to stern with it. Yet we are no less baptized as a result. Christ is no less risen as a result. Can we shout our own “Alleluia!” even as we struggle and mourn?

I draw much inspiration from the disciples. More specifically, I draw inspiration from their failings. They fled when Jesus was arrested. They hid after he was killed and buried. So devastated were they that Mary Magdalene’s (and later Simon Peter’s) testimony about the empty tomb fell on skeptical ears. Nevertheless, they found their voices and made it to their own “Alleluia!” Judah was still occupied by Rome, but they made it to “Alleluia!” Many innocents met the same earthly fate as Jesus, but they made it to “Alleluia!” Their own commission by Christ to preach and teach to the ends of the earth would bring upon them great hardship, but they still made it to “Alleluia!”

So let it be with us as we renew our identity as an Easter people.



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Dogwood

Lawn Fete & Craft Fair

May 15th 8-7

*CRAFTS FOR SALE, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT,
GAMES, FOOD, SHADED SEATING*

NY State COVID-19 protocols in place.

*MORE INFORMATION
AT STPAULSDANVILLE.ORG*

Passing of Charles F. Vogel



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Charles Frederick Vogel age 93, passed away peacefully Saturday March 13, 2021, in Bloomfield surrounded by his family. Charlie was born in Wayland, on August 19, 1927. He and his wife Shirley were active members of St. Pauls until Shirley's death in 2017. At that time Charlie moved to Bloomfield to live with his son and daughter-in-law. A Private Funeral Service was held for Charlie here at the church on March 20th. He is buried at Greenmount Cemetery. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.



*We gratefully acknowledge
this year's lily donations.*

Susan Collier in memory of Warren Collier
Susan Collier in honor of June Collier
Susan Collier to the glory of God
Diane Golisano in memory of Warren Collier
Diane Golisano in memory of Laura Howe
Diane Golisano in honor of June Collier
Gerri and Ken Long in memory of loved ones
Harriett dell MacDonald in memory of Richard
MacDonald

Harriett dell MacDonald to the glory of God
Henry and Marilyn Robin in memory of Albert Hawk
Henry and Marilyn Robin in honor of Janice Hawk
Henry and Marilyn Robin to the glory of God
Richard Sahrle in memory of Gerda Sahrle

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APRIL DATES

@ FAMILY LAUNDROMAT 20 FRANKLIN ST

4/10/21 8:30 TO 11:30

4/12/21 4:00 TO 7:00

4/24/21 8:30 TO 11:30

4/26/21 4:00 TO 7:00

NEW: ADULT FORUM

SIMPLY + JESUS

Prepare to be immersed in the 1st Century A.D. context of the life, work, teachings, and actions of Jesus of Nazareth.



*Apr 7, Apr 21, May 5, May 19, Jun 2,
Jun 16, Jun 30, Jul 14, Jul 28, Aug 11*

**Connect online
through
[stpaulsdansville.org
/adult-forum](http://stpaulsdansville.org/adult-forum) or in-
person at St. Peter's
Fellowship Hall at
7PM every other
Wednesday.**

**DON'T FORGET TO MAIL BACK YOUR
COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE FORMS!**

Enduring Gift Fund

Saint Paul's Enduring Gift Fund committee would like to announce that applications for the funds are now available. These grants are available for outreach ministries, Christian education, and capital improvements for 501(c)(3) and charitable organizations. The applications are available on the website.

APRIL CALENDAR

Standing Schedule

Sunday 9AM

Worship

April 7 & 21 7PM

Adult Forum

Tuesday-Thursday, 8AM-11AM

Office Hours

Dates to Remember

Thurs., April 1

Maundy Thursday

Fri., April 2

Good Friday

Sun., April 4

EASTER

Mon., April 16

Council Meeting

Mon., April 26

Newsletter Deadline



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