

The Epistle

2010

September

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
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My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

There is an energy to starting a new school that seems invigorating every year, even though my years of teaching and being a student are in the past. It was good to see our Great Hall used by the House of Compassion for the sorting, packaging, and distributing of school supplies to approximately 950 children in the Marshalltown School District. The child care services for the English Language Learners are enrolling new children as their parents begin classes. St. Paul's Preschool will be attended by more children than in the recent past. The School District will have two, five-day sessions for 4-year-olds, and there will be 3 classes of 3 year olds. So, for all who teach and learn from preschool through Marshalltown's community college, and those attending other centers of higher education:

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom: Enlighten by your Holy Spirit those who teach and those who learn, that rejoicing in the knowledge of your truth, they may worship you and serve you from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Since we are taking some vacation time in September, education/spiritual formation offerings on Bible Study, prayer or world religions or any other interest would begin in October. Please do talk to me or P.J. Colbert with your ideas and wishes, and opportunities will be scheduled to meet your needs.

The projects to repair water damage to the windows of Great Hall, the roof on the west side and cornerstone are moving along. Thank you to Don Crowley representing the Vestry, Bill Baltisberger and Dale for working with the various contractors. Funds have been made available for preventative work done on the west windows of Great Hall, and painting trim on the south of the Great Hall, yet to be done. The cornerstone project has become much more complex than originally anticipated, so we are very grateful for the generous gifts from St. Paul's Guild and other parishioners. Please consider an extra gift of your own for these projects. And, thank you for continuing to make ministry possible at St. Paul's.

Welcome back to this new school year which invites all of us to continue our own education/formation in the faith through worship, prayer, and learning. Please stop through the education areas of St. Paul's, to let the teachers and children know they are welcomed by the parish family, and to let them know of your prayer support.

Faithfully,

Mary Jane+

CHURCH NEWS

Oct 24 Mary Lou Tappe
Oct 31 Nan & Rex Ryden

ST. MARGARET'S MISSION will **NOT** meet in September.

Our next **ST. PAUL'S GUILD** meeting is Thursday, September 9. Everyone in the church--especially members of St. Margaret's Mission--is welcome. We will meet at the church to leave as a group at 11:00 a.m. to go to the Iowa Veterans Home. We will enjoy a Dutch Treat lunch at 11:30 a.m., with a program to follow. Please let Colleen (752-2587) or Barbara (753-7494) know if you plan to attend so they can make reservations. The deadline to make reservations is Tuesday, September 7.

Church Women United will resume their schedule Friday, September 3 at 9:15 a.m. The Forum meeting will be held at The Salvation Army, 107 West State Street. The program will feature Officer Melinda Ruopp and her K-9 dog.

ST. PAUL'S VESTRY will meet Thursday, September 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

COFFEE SCHEDULE

Sep 5	Pat & Dorothy Apgar
Sep 12	Kay Beach
Sep 19	Mary Harvey
Sep 26	Don & Sandy Crowley
Oct 3	Nancy Stone
Oct 10	Pudd Handorf and Freida McInroy
Oct 17	Sheryl Readout

"GREATEST GENERATION"

Our next speaker in our "Greatest Generation" series will be Mary Harvey. She will be featured on Sunday, September 26. Please come and share in this special time.

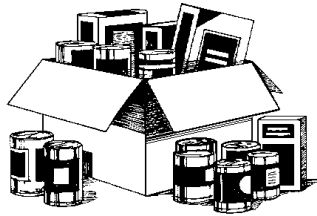
YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Nan Ryden is missing two white tablecloths for card tables. If you have seen them, please call Nan at 753-3788, or call the church office at 753-6317.

FALL PROGRAM PLANNING

Look for more Sunday morning interviews with St. Paul's greatest generation.

Are you interested in Bible study or learning more about prayer and spiritual practices? Anything else seem interesting? Please talk to Pr. Mary Jane or P. J. Colbert, as we are planning opportunities.



MEALS ON WHEELS

- Sep 22 Barbara Baltisberger and Kay Beach
- Oct 27 Nan Ryden and Pam Campbell

If you cannot serve when scheduled, trade with someone or use the following members in emergency only:

- Bill or Barbara Baltisberger 753-7494
- Pam Campbell 753-8064
- Nan Ryden 753-3788
- Mary Lou Tappe 752-5833

EMERGENCY FOOD BOX

Please bring non-perishable food items to place in the grocery cart at the back of the church, or a check may be sent at any time to: **Emergency Food Box; P.O. Box 391; Marshalltown, IA 50158.**

St. Paul's next opportunity to help restock the Emergency Food Box will be Sunday, September 12. The items they are in need of the most are **macaroni and cheese, peas, pork & beans, carrots, stewed tomatoes, and corn.**

Again, thank you for your past contributions, and please consider the increasing

TELL US what you'd like to STUDY

need for food and/or contributions during these tough economic times.

HOUSE OF COMPASSION

St. Paul's served the evening meal at the House of Compassion, Tuesday, August 10. A meal of Filipino Ponsett (a chicken/broccoli dish), pears, White Mountain rolls, and vanilla ice cream with assorted cookies was served to 53 patrons.

THANKS to our team: Bill Baltisberger, Kay Beach, David Bursley, Marjorie Cook, Don Crowley, and Dave and Mary Jane Oakland. THANKS also to our chef of the evening - Lynnette Chizek.

THANK YOU NOTES FROM HOC

The House of Compassion Supply Closet Team wants to thank you for contributing school supplies--at the bus and/or church. It helped make the School Supply Project successful again this year. We were able to give out school bags to children who would have otherwise gone without, or at the very least, found it a hardship for the family to buy what they needed. With your help, we were able to collect supplies and give out 811 backpacks/bags, and many additional Ziploc bags filled with supplies at House of Compassion the following week (no backpacks). Families expressed gratitude, and hundreds of thank you notes were left


from students and parents alike.
Thanks so much for helping to make the
beginning of school so much more
enjoyable for many students!

Sincerely, The HOC Supply Closet Team

Where do we start? Thank you for the
supplies; thank you for the use of your
gymnasium; thank you for letting us
store our supplies throughout the year;
and especially thank you for letting us
inconvenience the preschool program
for a couple weeks every year. You are
wonderful!

Rita Smith,
with the HOC Supply Closet Team

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 9:15 a.m. Church Women United	4
5 9:30 AM Worship	6 	7	8 Happy Birthday! Barbara Baltisberger	9 12:00 noon St. Paul's Guild	10 Happy Birthday! Peg Langenberg	11
12 Emergency Food Box Sunday 9:30 AM Worship	13	14 Happy Birthday! Marsha Eppert	15	16 7:00 p.m. Vestry	17	
19 9:30 AM Worship	20	21	22 Meals on Wheels	23 Happy Birthday! Tom Colbert Jane Halleck William Whitehill	24	25
26 9:30 AM Worship "Greatest Generation" Mary Harvey	27 Happy Birthday! Joann Livingston	28	29	30		

Lay Participants for 2010

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

All lay participants are to meet in the choir room for prayer 5 minutes before service time.

Date	Time	Lay Readers/Lectors	Acolytes	Ushers
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Each person is responsible for finding a replacement when needed and reporting the change to the church office.

Date: September 5 **9:30 AM**
Rector: The Rev. Mary Jane Oakland
Organist: Audrey Hafar
Lessons and Prayers: David Oakland
Chalice and Acolyte: Mary Jane Halsted
Ushers: Don & Sandy Crowley
Altar Guild: Marjorie Cook
Lock-up: Mary Jacobson
LEV: Colleen Harmon
Coffee: Pat & Dorothy Apgar

Date: September 26 **9:30 AM**
Rector: The Rev. Mary Jane Oakland
Organist: Audrey Hafar
Lessons and Prayers: David Oakland
Chalice and Acolyte: Kay Beach
Ushers: Fred & Ce Hubbard
Altar Guild: Pam Campbell
Lock-up: Mary Jacobson
LEV: Freida McInroy
Coffee: Don & Sandy Crowley

Date: September 12 **9:30 AM**
Rector: The Rev. Mary Jane Oakland
Organist: Audrey Hafar
Lessons and Prayers: David Bursley
Chalice and Acolyte: Ce Hubbard
Ushers: Orlin & Sally Klinkefus
Altar Guild: Nan Ryden & Frieda McInroy
Lock-up: Mary Jacobson
LEV: Barbara Baltisberger and Mary Harvey
Coffee: Kay Beach

Date: September 19 **9:30 AM**
Rector: The Rev. Mary Jane Oakland
Organist: Audrey Hafar
Lessons and Prayers: Sheryl Readout
Chalice and Acolyte: Mary Jane Halsted
Ushers: Tom and P.J. Colbert
Altar Guild: Sheryl Readout
Lock-up: Mary Jacobson
LEV: Sandy Crowley
Coffee: Mary Harvey

