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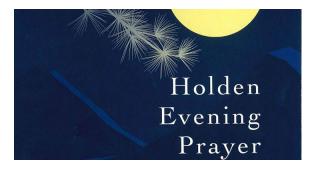
St. Pauls United Church of Christ Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin

February 15, 2018

## Wednesdays in Lent

Easter falls on April Fool's Day.

Wednesdays in Lent will also be held at 7:30 in the evening. We will celebrate with the Holden Evening Prayer Service by Marty Haugen. We did this last year and it is deeply quiet and moving.



Prior to all the Lenten services you are invited to have pizza downstairs. All are welcome. There will be a Free-Will offering.

## 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

This is the year-long celebration of our 150<sup>th</sup> year of ministry in Menomonee Falls. We had our friend and former pastor, Russell

Knoth with us to preach. We also celebrated his ministry by honoring him with the title "Pastor Emeritus." Russ was with us as Pastor from 1982 to 2008. It was a great celebration and family gathering. It was great to have Russ back in our midst again.

# Conference Minister to visit St. Pauls



Rev. Franz Rigert, Conference Minister of the Wisconsin Conference UCC, will visit St. Pauls United Church of Christ on Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. His message will focus on the good things our gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission can accomplish. Later in the morning, he will join us at Coffee Hour.

Rigert, a Delevan native, has served as Conference Minister for three years. He has focused his efforts on helping congregations become mission-oriented in the twenty-first century. Before coming to Conference work, he served as pastor of Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Grafton for almost twenty years. While in Grafton, he led small groups from the church on 25 mission trips. In partnership with an African-American Baptist congregation, the church sponsored a refugee family for resettlement. Franz and Trinn, his wife, are the parents of three young adult children.

#### Easter Breakfast



The board of Deacons will host an Easter Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. A sign-up sheet will be posted in Guild Hall so that we may plan for those who plan to attend. Donations of cash, sweet breads or rolls with be gratefully accepted.

Please see Chris Sparrow for more information.

### Family Game Night



Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m.

Bingo, Bunco, Sheepshead, and more.

Appetizers will be served but bring your own

beverage.

All are invited!

### Lent and Easter Schedule

Pizza will be served on all the Wednesdays

in Lent, followed by a short

liturgy.

Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Choir Sings



Maundy Thursday March 29<sup>th</sup> 7:30

**Easter Sunday** April 1<sup>st</sup>. Breakfast precedes 9:30 worship.

## Choir to sing Palm Sunday

For the 4 weeks prior to Palm Sunday, the choir will be practicing at 8:15 until 9:15 and we'd like to invite others in the congregation to practice with us and sing on Palm Sunday. All are invited

# Joyous Bells are playing on Easter Sunday.

Our Handbell Choir practices on Tuesday evenings at Church at 7:30. We can always use another pair of hands! You don't need



to know how to read music. Susan Krivichi would love to teach you how to play—you could even start with the young people playing chimes. Please join us!

#### Volunteer Schedules

Our liturgists for the coming weeks are:

Feb 18	Amy Krohn
Feb 25	Tim Thorne
Mar 4	Pam Gibowski
Mar 11	Elaine Laabs
Mar 18	Kate Tracy
Mar 25	Melanie Stuber
April 1	Chris Sparrow

### Pay It Forward

Thank you to those who have contributed to the "Pay it Forward" campaign! However, if you wish to continue to donate to the Pay it Forward campaign, please indicate this on your giving envelopes as donations are still being accepted and another challenge grant has emerged.

As we approach our 150th Anniversary, there's never been a better time for us to get our books in shape! Thank you!

### St. Pauls Photo Directory

St. Pauls Photo Directory. Steve Hoagland and Andrew Bullis are working to layout the directory and will have it to Life Touch soon. We should be getting our directories back from the Printers in short order.

### Office Staffing

We finally have a new secretary! Donna Wargolet is staffing our office from Monday through Friday,, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. She is a real support for us and are looking forward to the months ahead. **Welcome Donna!** 

#### A Note from Dee Bruss

After my recent hospital stay and recovery, I am grateful to the people of St. Pauls for their prayers, for their cards, and for the flowers from the communion table. They were beautiful. Also, many thanks to Pastor Gorman for his visits. They were much appreciated. And, thank you to Darlene Eisen for taking over the Prayer Chain in my absence. Praise be to God for his goodness. — Delores Bruss

# Special Congregational Meeting – March 4

Rev. Jane Anderson, our Associate Conference Minister, will lead us in the discussion about pursuing a shared pastorate with another congregation. Please see agenda on our website St. Pauls United Church of Christ N89W16856 Appleton Ave Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

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