



The Newsletter of St. Paul's United Church of Christ

# Trumpet

January / February 2023

## A PRAYER FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

In his book *Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth* (Fortress Press), Walter Brueggemann writes in an Epiphany poem:



... this is a time to be born.  
 So we turn to you, God of our life  
 God of all our years,  
 God of our beginning....  
 We dare pray that you will do for us  
 and among us and through us what is needful for our newness.  
 Give us the power to be receptive,  
 to take the newness you give ....  
 There is a time to be born, and it is now.  
 We sense the pangs and groans of your newness.  
 Come here now in the name of Jesus. Amen.

How fitting that the Epiphany season and the new year coincide! Epiphany reveals a new King, the beginning of his ministry, his new disciples, his first healings, his "new teaching — with authority" (Mark 1:27). We, too, experience newness, now and year-round. But newness can be tough. So we trust that God, who "[makes] all things new" while banishing "mourning and crying and pain" (Revelation 21:4-5), walks with us in this new year — and always.

## St. Paul's United Church of Christ

Soup and Sandwich Lunch  
 Sunday, January 15, 2023  
 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

### Menu:

Chicken Dumpling Soup, Cheeseburger Soup,  
 Vegetable Beef Soup, Sauerkraut Soup  
 Egg Salad & Ham Sandwiches,  
 Dessert & Beverage

Free Will Offering

*Desserts and workers are needed.*

*Please sign up to help out on the sign up sheet on the table in the back of the church.*



*The annual soup lunch sponsored by Young at Heart will be Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> from 11 – 1. We are asking for donations of desserts. We will also need help the day of the soup lunch and would appreciate anyone who can help clear tables, wash dishes, etc. Thank you in advance for your help and we look forward to seeing you at the lunch!*

**Annual Meeting of St.Paul's United Church of Christ**

The annual meeting of St.Paul's UCC will be held on Sunday, January 22nd at 10:30 a.m. after our morning worship service.

Reports are due no later than Tuesday, January 10th so they can be included in the annual report. Please email them to the church office at: [stpauls1867@outlook.com](mailto:stpauls1867@outlook.com)



We will have Ash Wednesday service with communion at 7:00 pm on February 22nd led by Rev Robert Broeder.

We will have Maundy Thursday service with communion at 7:00 pm on Thursday, April 6th led by Rev Robert Broeder.

We WILL NOT have Wednesday Lenten services.



**THANK YOU** to everyone who directed and participated in the Children's Christmas Pageant held on December 18th. It takes many hands, and time to put on the Christmas program. Thank you also to everyone who donated items for the goodie bags and the fellowship hour after the program.

**Scrip Orders**—the profit from the December scrip order was \$123.53. Thank you to everyone who placed an order!

**Blanket Sunday**—this year Blanket Sunday was held on November 13th, we collected \$186.00. Through the CWS blanket program you are helping our neighbors in need giving them hope and the tools they need for lasting change.

**Mitten Tree**—thank you to everyone who donated items for the mitten tree. This year we took 47 hats, 2 scarves, 19 pairs of mittens/gloves, 4 pairs of slippers and 1 pair of socks to Santa Anonymous.

**Women's Guild**

The January Women's Guild meeting will be on Thursday, January 12 at 11:00 a.m. Hostess will be MaryAnn Tesch.

We will hold our annual Valentine Exchange on Thursday, February 2. Hostess will be Linda Duzan. All women are invited and encouraged to attend. Please join us.

Anyone interested in serving on the search committee for a new pastor should contact a church council member.

Giving envelopes for 2023 and your 2022 giving statement will be your mailbox in the friendship room. Please pick up your envelopes and statement, they will not be mailed

**HENDERSON AREA FOOD SHARE  
FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

NEED HELP MAKING ENDS MEET?

**Minnesota New Country School  
200 Main Street, Henderson**

**Thursday, January 19, 2023  
4:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, February 16, 2023  
4:00 p.m.**

***Sponsored by area community  
members and churches***



Roger Maus	01/01
Ellie Fabel	01/06
Sharon Marshall	01/06
Curt Petzel	01/07
Erik Rice	01/12
Dan Nytes	01/13
Emersyn Graff	01/20
Sandi Braun-Ziemer	01/21
Aubrey Schultz	01/21
Jake Creighten	01/24

Katie Meierbachtol	02/01
Ashlynn Dhaene	02/02
Colin Stueber	02/02
Brad Fries	02/03
Greg Petzel	02/04
James Schultz	02/04
Tammy Meyer	02/05
Stephanie Winter	02/07
Rita Schultz	02/09
Daniel Dyb	02/10
LaVerne Almquist	02/12
Lisa Tesch	02/12
Maizy Ehlers	02/13
Ellie Petzel	02/15
Cheyenne Nelson	02/18
Coleton Nelson	02/18
Michelle Buck	02/20
Lauren Stueber	02/20
Kyle Schultz	02/22
Paige McConnell-Underhill	02/24
August Schultz	02/26
Dawn Winter	02/26
Pam Dhaene	02/28

**Those Who Serve**

**Flower Committee**

**January**

Carol Reiter

**February/March**

Irene Doerr, Linda Duzan

**Sympathy Committee**

**December 2022, January & February 2023**

Carol Reiter, JoAnne Martens, Beverly Stueber

**March, April, May**

Glenna Fries, Lois Dvorak, RuthAnn Buck



At the end of the year the money given to missions throughout the year was given to the following recipients:



Ridgeview Nursing Home—LeSueur

Bayside Manor—Gaylord

Oak Terrace—LeSueur

Sibley County Food Share—Gaylord

Each recipient received \$378 .

**Prayer Corner**

In Our Prayers: Karla Maurer, Lucy Reinman, Terri Kroehler, Larry Teschendorf, JoAnne Martens, Lois Schroeder, Bill Jones, Jeff Christ

Prayer requests go out to:

Homebound:

Pauline Woehler – Bayside Manor—Gaylord

Ed Nye – Ridegeview Care Center—Le Sueur

Sharon Nagel—Ridgeview Care Center—LeSueur

Arline Karels—Oak Terrace—Le Sueur

*If you know of someone in the hospital, scheduled for surgery, recently hospitalized visit, please call the church office.*



# 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <b>New Years Day</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Craig Hink	2	3	4 6:15 p.m. Confirmation	5	6	7
8 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  9:30 a.m. Worship Craig Hink	9	10 ANNUAL MEETING REPORTS DUE	11 6:15 p.m. Confirmation	12 11:00 a.m. Women's Guild	13	14
15 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  9:30 a.m. Worship Brittany Mailleue  11:00 a.m. <b>Soup Lunch</b>	16	17 6:30 p.m. Church Council	18 6:15 p.m. Confirmation	19 4:00 p.m. Food Distribution MNCS	20	21
22 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  9:30 a.m. Worship Rev Bob Broeder  10:30 a.m. <b>Annual Meeting</b>	23	24	25 6:15 p.m. Confirmation	26	27	28
29 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  9:30 a.m. Worship	30	31				



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26 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  9:30 a.m. Worship Rev Bob Broeder	27	28				

**2022 Church Council**

President:..... Larry Wigand  
 Vice President: .....  
 Secretary: .....Sandi Braun Ziemer  
 Building & Grounds.....Marvin Petzel, Daniel Dyb, Jake Creighton, Connor Wigand  
 Worship ..... Ruth Ann Buck, JoAnne Martens, Kristine Tullis  
 Membership .....Carol Reiter, Tammy Meyer, Sharon Ban  
 Christian Education..... Lynnsay McCormick, Sydnie Graff, Crystal Creighton, Paula Dhaene  
 Witness & Mission..... Glenna Fries, Brianna Petzel, Mary Ann Tesch  
 Budget & Finance .....Irene Doerr, Larry Wigand, Deb Boettcher  
 Pastor Relations.....Arden Kroehler, Arlene Busse, Katie Meierbachtol

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*God is still speaking,*  
**UNITED CHURCH**  
**OF CHRIST**

