



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

Trumpet

September/October 2023



Welcome to Rev. Robert Fellows, our bridge pastor. Rev. Fellows will begin October 1st through April of 2024. He will minister to and with us while we search for a pastor. Rev. Fellows will use his special gifts as a magician to inform his teaching and ministry.

Having earned his divinity degree in the 1970's, Fellows felt a delayed calling to ministry in 2005. He furthered his studies at United Theological Seminary in Minnesota, interned as a hospital chaplain, and was ordained as an authorized minister in the United Church of Christ in 2009.

Robert Fellows has toured the United States, Canada, and Australia with his captivating and inspiring presentations. He is a wellness and motivational speaker who promotes self-responsibility.

Fellows holds a B.A. in philosophy from Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin and a Master of Theological Studies degree from Harvard Divinity School. He is the author of *Easily Fooled: New Insights and Techniques for Resisting Manipulation*.

As an internationally recognized stage magician and illusionist, Robert Fellows uses the skills he has honed over fifty years as an entertainer to create educational presentations that are experiential and memorable.

In addition, Fellows graduated from the Northeast School of Auctioneering in 2016, and is a licensed auctioneer. Specializing in charity auctions, Fellows combines his passion for helping good causes with his background as an entertainer.

Rev. Fellows along with his wife Melody and their rescue dog, Scout live in Minnetonka and have a home in New Hampshire as well. Rev. Fellows will be available 1—2 days a week, inclusive of Sunday and special worship services. Rev. Fellows will administer communion, be available for consultation and coordination with the boards and committees, perform weddings and funerals, provide confirmation instruction and visitation of shut-ins and hospitalized members. We look forward to Rev. Fellows joining us on October 1st!



St. Paul's United Church of Christ has been graced with a Memorial gift from Stan and Carmen Wigand. We have received \$280,000 initially, there will be a second amount when they close out the account and all bills are paid.

The funds have been put into a CD at Hometown Bank for 9 months at a rate of 4.75%. We felt the timeframe would allow any discussion necessary at the annual meeting should someone have any thoughts on potential projects for this money. There are no ties to what the funds may be used for.

We thank Stan and Carmen for this generous gift to St. Paul's!

Minnesota Valley Electric, through Operation Round-up, awarded St. Paul's UCC a grant to purchase an AED unit (Automated External Defibrillator). It is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest.

On Sunday, October 15 at 10:30, immediately following worship, Henderson Firefighter and EMT Randy Tiegs, will give us training on using this unit. You DO NOT need a medical background to operate. It is easy to use. It talks to you and gives you step by step instructions. Training should take about 45 minutes.

Training is open to all, including our young adults. AED units are located at most public facilities. You never know when you may be called upon to be a good Samaritan.



Confirmation

The Christian Education Team is busy preparing for the upcoming school year. Classes will be held in the months of October through April. Sunday mornings from 9:00am until completion of children's sermon for the 2year olds - 5th grade, and on Wednesday evening, 6:10-7:25pm will be for the 6th-8th grade. Those seeking to be confirmed this year will have the opportunity to meet with a lead for help with their packet from 7:30pm-8:00pm Students in grades 9th-12th are encouraged to sign up as a classroom volunteer.

Sunday Schoolers will be meeting in the church at 9:00am with Youth Choir Director Irene for the first 10-15 minutes to learn songs that will be presented to the church during our special worships. They will then be led to their classroom for the lesson and craft project. When it is time for "Children's Sermon", an usher will lead them into church...parent's it would be amazing if you could sit in the pews more to the front of the church!!! Children will then be released to their parents, where they can enjoy the remaining worship with the congregation. After service be sure to stop into their classroom to pick up their project and papers to go home. Each week there is an activity sheet that you can do with them at home. If you are unable to attend, a packet will be placed in your mailbox.

Confirmation students will be meeting weekly at 6:10pm on Wednesday nights for 75 minutes. Each evening will involve either a lesson or service project. The main focus is the New Testament. You again will see all of the confirmation students being our ushers, classroom helpers, technology techs and event assistants. For those being confirmed this year, a Faith Statement preparation packet will be given monthly for them to discover what their faith means to them. Confirmation date is Sunday, May 5.

The main curriculum resources being used this year is Sermons4kids for Sunday School and Spark House's re:form Ancestors Anti-Workbook for Confirmation.

More information, including schedule, can be located on our website at: <https://saintpaulshendersonmn.weebly.com/growing.html>

With Sermons 4 Kids we are sent an email each week with daily discussion points that can be had with the children. Watch our Facebook at 4pm daily for posts called "Mealtime Chatter", where these discussion points will be shared.

Knowing that mealtimes are a good time for families to come together in their busy schedules, hoping by sharing these it gives your family a discussion point for when you are all together. Once Sunday School begins these will coordinate along with the Sunday lesson.

On a Christian Family website, it says meals are....

- Powerful events in the lives of both children and adults.
- Can and should be an occasion for sharing the day's events, decompressing, commiserating, and encouraging one another.
- A time to laugh, learn how to speak and listen politely, instill values, establish one's identity as a member of the family.
- A time to welcome guests.
- Important to acknowledge God's provision on a day-to-day basis.

St. Paul's Women's Guild

August 3, 2023

Sharon Ban was our hostess for our August 3rd meeting of the Women's Guild. We carpoled from church. She chose Turtle's Bar & Grill in Shakopee. They had a very large menu with many good things to choose from. The food was delicious. Those that joined us were Mary Ann Tesch, Lyla Smith, Lois Dvorak, Mary Ann Marquardt, Sharon Ban, Jo Anne Martens, Ellie Fabel, Carol Reiter and Ruth Ann Buck.

After our lunch we discussed serving lunch at the Blood Mobile Drive on August 25th, a hot dish or a large salad will be needed for the workers, egg and ham sandwiches need to be made and cookies donated to be served for the donors.

We also talked about the upcoming funeral for Larry Teschendorf on August 26th, they are planning for a large funeral, plan for 200 people.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday September 7th Lorraine Just is the hostess.

Secretary,
Ruth Ann Buck

HENDERSON AREA FOOD SHARE

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Sponsored by area community members and churches

NEED HELP MAKING ENDS MEET?

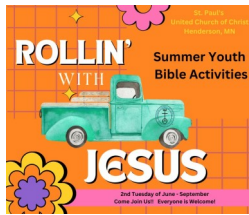
**Minnesota New Country School
200 Main Street, Henderson**

**Thursday, September 21st
4:00 p.m.**

St.Paul's Supplies Workers

**Thursday, October 19th
4:00 p.m.**

Join us for the last "Rollin' with Jesus" we will have a fun activity in the park by the community building from 4:30—7:30. "Rollin' with Jesus" is a summer Bible learning activity. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join in the fun!



Tuesday, September 12th—David and Goliath

Volunteers are needed for help setting up, helping with the event and clean-up after. Please contact Sandi Braun-Ziemer if you are available to help or there is a sign-up sheet at church.



Those Who Serve

Flower Committee

September/October

Lois Dvorak, Sharon Ban

Sympathy Committee

September, October, November

MaryAnn Marquardt, Irene Doerr,
Deb Boettcher



Lynnsay McCormick	1-Sep	Samantha Winter	2-Oct
Lucy Fries	2-Sep	Sydney Graff	4-Oct
Erin Stueber	3-Sep	Anyssa Christ	5-Oct
Claire Hornaman	8-Sep	Taryn Rice	8-Oct
Mindy Meierbachtol	9-Sep	Emma Christ	9-Oct
Dana Nye	9-Sep	JoAnne Martens	9-Oct
Marge Kroehler	11-Sep	Larry Stueber	10-Oct
MaryAnn Marquardt	13-Sep	David Tesch	15-Oct
Ron Steinborn	13-Sep	Kenneth Hanna-Dyb	17-Oct
Mike Reinhardt	15-Sep	Sharon Ban	22-Oct
William Hanna-Dyb	17-Sep	Ayden Christ	22-Oct
Ed Nye	18-Sep	Jeff Steinborn	26-Oct
Dawn McConnell	19-Sep	Kathy Swenson	28-Oct
Tom Meyer	20-Sep	Margaret Ceminsky	29-Oct
Lisa VonLehe	20-Sep		
Bryan Fries	23-Sep		
Jared Graff	25-Sep		
Eleanor Hanna-Dyb	28-Sep		
Connor Wigand	30-Sep		

Prayer Corner


In Our Prayers: Lucy Reinman, Terri Kroehler, JoAnne Martens, Lois Schroeder, Ruth Dvorak, Margaret Ceminsky, Bill Jones

Prayer requests go out to: Homebound:
Pauline Woehler – Bayside Manor—Gaylord
Ed Nye – Ridegeview Care Center—Le Sueur
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.

September 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:30 a.m. Worship Craig Hink	4 	5	6	7 Women's Guild 12:00 Schuette's For Lunch	8	9
10 9:30 a.m. Worship Craig Hink	11	12 4:30 p.m. Rollin with Jesus Community Park	13 6:30 p.m. Christian Ed Meeting	14	15	16
17 9:30 a.m. Worship Communion Rev Bob Broeder Backpack Blessing SS Registration	18	19 6:30 p.m. Church Council	20	21 4:00 p.m. Food Distribution MNCS St.Paul's Workers	22	23
24 9:30 a.m. Worship Rev Maggie Isaacson	25	26	27	28	29	30

October 2023



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1 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Rev Robert Fellows	2	3	4 6:10 p.m. Confirmation	5 11:00 a.m. Women's Guild Potluck Planning Meeting	6	7
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2023 Church Council

President:..... Larry Wigand
 Vice President: Steve Fries
 Secretary:Sandi Braun Ziemer
 Building & Grounds.....Marvin Petzel, Daniel Dyb, Jake Creighton, Connor Wigand
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