



# The Scribe

St. Paul UCC

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## Pastor's Pen...

Please mark your calendars for **Thursday November 21st at 7:00pm**. That is when we will be participating in a community-wide Thanksgiving service to be held at **Christ Lutheran Church, 41 S. Rohlwing Road in Palatine**.

In the nine years that I have had the privilege of being your pastor, we have always enjoyed having our own service here on Thanksgiving Eve. It has always been a simple, unadorned type of worship service followed by pumpkin pie downstairs, courtesy of the Worship Committee. The Thanksgiving Eve offering was always given to a local charity. For the few of us who came to Thanksgiving Eve worship and fellowship it was always been a nice evening, but our group has never really been more than 25 people. The reason for this, of course, is because it's on the evening *right before* the big day itself -- many people are out of town, and others are just too busy with preparations.

One day, this got me to thinking: "*What if we had a special Thanksgiving service on the week BEFORE, while everyone was still in town?*" Also, "*What if we made it a community-wide event and REALLY collected a nice offering for the township food pantry?*" So, I approached my fellow pastors here in Palatine with this idea & they thought that we should give it a try. Christ Lutheran offered to host it, and the rest of us started putting our heads together about bringing the music directors on board and getting the planning started.

This Thanksgiving service will be a production of the Palatine churches, not just one congregation in particular. Nonetheless, it will also be a way to keep up the visibility of Christianity within all of our communities. I'm hoping that it will cause other people to take notice and then ask: "*What is it with those Christians and this whole bit about giving thanks? What is it that makes them generous?*" This is all a part of public witness, and I'm hoping that it will be a way by which we can be salt and light here in the wider community. (Matthew 5:13-16)

Happy November, everyone! I'll see you in worship!

*Pastor David*



St. Paul UCC Executive Board Members: Sharon Altergott (Spiritual Life Board Rep.), Kim Cichon, Randy Everett (Admin. Board Rep.), Kim Ferris, David Freeman, Arlene Kraus (Spiritual Life Board Rep.), David Mercer (Staff Rep), Chuck Oberly (Admin. Board Rep), and Karen Wagner.



Pastoral visitation is available to those who are hospitalized, temporarily laid up at home, or going through rehab at a facility. Because hospitals and other institutions do not notify the church when a patient is admitted, we need for you or your family member to notify us. We will be more than happy to accommodate your request for pastoral care. Please note also that the pastor may be reached for emergencies at (224) 386-6285 (cell phone).

Pastor David's procedure in visiting St. Paul's shut-ins, as well as, those members who have a difficult time getting to church is to offer support, bring Holy Communion (their option) and to let them know we journey together in worship. Pastor David understands that scheduling may depend on frequency of doctor's appointments or the church member's schedule. Visitation is always available, however, as the shut-in member's health and life situation may change and more extensive pastoral care is needed. Any church member or their family member desiring more frequent pastoral visitation, or to be placed on the visitation list in the first place should contact the church office at (847)-358-0399 to make arrangements.

*"Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." (James 5:14)*



#### **The Pastoral Relations Committee Is Available To You!**

Do you have an idea, a question, a comment, or a concern that you would like for Pastor David to know about? You have a couple of options available to you. First, you may speak directly with the pastor. Our pastor is here for ALL of St. Paul's members and he welcomes communication from ALL members. If you aren't comfortable in speaking directly with the pastor, however, then your second option is to go through the Pastoral Relations Committee. Their purpose is to foster good relations between pastor and parish through open and thoughtful communication.

St. Paul's Pastoral Relations Committee members are: Debbie Everett (Chair); Dolly Chamberlin, Tom Donat, Jim Frost. Bob Kolze, and Joyce Mah,



#### **From the Treasurer...St. Paul at a Glance**

**September 2019**

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|--------------------|------------------|
| <b>Revenue</b>     | <b>25,644.20</b> |
| <b>Expenditure</b> | <b>19,683.20</b> |
| <b>Net Income</b>  | <b>5,961.00</b>  |

## From the Archives



This is from one of the Ideals Book of 1957.

Many poems and sayings were used from these Ideals books in our Bulletins and Scribes.

### THE SMALLEST BLESSINGS by Lola Geil

Did I forget to thank Thee, Lord,  
For things that may seem small ---  
A flower by the wayside,  
A wild bird's lonely call;

For all the daily happenings  
That we call commonplace,  
For sunrise and for sunset,  
For a neighbor's smiling face?

For life is made of little things.  
So let me not forget  
To count my smallest blessing,  
And before the sun has set,

To thank Thee, Lord, for every one  
That adds a note of cheer,  
And my blessings will be multiplied  
Before another year.

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### *Stewards of Creation, Church, and Home*



Please join us for Stewardship Sunday November 3rd at 9:00am  
at your church home, to give your pledge for 2020.  
Potluck/brunch to follow worship service.



The Holidays are upon us ... Below is an order form If you would like to order a Poinsettia plant to help decorate our sanctuary for Christmas, (starting December 1st.) We will be ordering 7" pots @ \$12.00 each. Each comes with gold covers and a care sheet. Please make checks payable to St. Paul. Turn in your order forms to the church office. Thank you! (there will be additional order forms in the Narthex)

**DEADLINE FOR ALL ORDERS IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Plants: Red \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_ Pink \_\_\_\_\_ x \$12.00@ = \_\$\_\_\_\_\_(total)

You may pick up your plants any time after the 11 pm Christmas Eve service

**2020 Offering Envelopes**

The 2020 Offering envelopes will be available for pick up in the Narthex during the months of November and December. If you know of someone who is unable to attend worship, please feel free to take them with you and drop them off.  
**Thank you!**



***A BIG Thanks  
to our Sponsors!***

**The 2020 Bulletin Sponsor sheet is posted in the Narthex.**

If you are interested in helping us offset the cost of printing/producing the church bulletins, please sign up on the sheet provided. There are monthly labeled envelopes available for you to place your donation in. **Thank you!**

### **A Son Saves His Dad's Life**

Tom Gould was absorbed in family activities one Saturday evening when he collapsed and went into cardiac arrest in his home in Barrington, Ill. His children immediately called 911, and his son, Brendan, began to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) on his father.

First responders arrived within a few minutes and took over CPR, and Tom was immediately transported to Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington.

Sudden cardiac arrest is a lethal condition in which the heart unexpectedly stops beating, causing loss of consciousness and breathing. "It usually results from electrical disturbance (arrhythmia) in the heart, leading to the loss of its pumping action, causing cessation of oxygen rich blood to the brain and the rest of your vital organs," Dr. Hetal Gandhi, a cardiologist with Advocate Heart Institute at Good Shepherd Hospital, says.

"As soon as you see someone collapse, call 911 and begin hands-on CPR (chest compression) immediately until other help arrives," he says. "By doing this, you can improve the victim's survival rate by double or triple."

"I beat the odds—very few patients survive from a sudden cardiac arrest," says Tom. "I attribute my good fortune to the protection of God, the extraordinary team of first responders and the superb and skilled techs, nurses and doctors at Good Shepherd Hospital who worked tirelessly to help me become a miracle man of survival from sudden cardiac arrest."

### **Sudden Cardiac Arrest: Quick Action Matters!**

Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is not a heart attack. A heart attack is caused by impeded blood flow through the heart. SCA is caused by a structural or electrical problem, often from an undetected heart condition, and in other instances, from an infection or a severe blow to the chest. In 95% of cases, the SCA victim is lost.

Defibrillation (shock) from an automated external defibrillator (AED) is key for survival for someone experiencing Sudden Cardiac Arrest. Every minute that passes without a shock from an AED decreases the chance of survival by 10%. Administering hands-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) can be a bridge to life until an AED arrives.

There is a critical need to raise awareness of sudden cardiac arrest and educate people about prevention strategies and how to take immediate action in the case of a cardiac emergency.

Some things your congregation can do include:

- Learn about risk factors and potential warning signs of a heart condition.
- Offer preventative heart screenings.
- Understand the Cardiac Chain of Survival that anyone can use to save a life.
- Learn how to administer hands-only CPR and use an AED.
- Install an AED in your building.
- Create cardiac emergency response plans.
- Learn about treatment options for SCA survivors and those living with a heart condition.
- Create flyers, posters, fact sheets, videos and training tools for SCA prevention.



### November Birthdays

1 Jackie Schultze  
3 Michael Kerlin  
10 Kyra Kowalski  
19 David Graham  
19 Randy Cichon

20 Robert Anderson  
22 Christina Ferris  
23 Carol Hannah  
27 Luca Colella

*If there is anyone I missed, please call the church office,  
so we can update our records. Thank you!*



*Thank you to our long time St. Paul friends  
for all of your kind words, prayers, cards  
and celebrating the life of Jim Vogt with  
us. Your Kindness during our journey  
with Alzheimer's and following Jim's  
death are a gift beyond measure.*

*The Family of Jim Vogt*



**Christian Education Corner**  
**November 2019**

*An Autumn Blessing*

*...Blessed are you, autumn, season of so much bounty.  
You invite us to imitate your generosity in giving freely  
from the goodness of our lives, holding nothing back.  
Blessed are you, autumn, your harvesting time has come.*

*As we gather your riches into our barns,  
reveal to us our own inner riches waiting to be harvested.*

*Blessed are you, autumn, season of unpredictability.  
You inspire us to be flexible to learn from our shifting moods.*

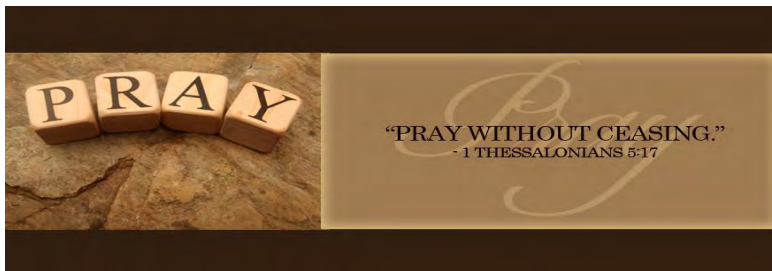
*Blessed are you, autumn, feast of thanksgiving.  
You change our hearts into fountains of gratitude  
as we receive your gracious gifts. –Unknown*

The Sunday School class is once again preparing for Thanksgiving and the Children's Christmas Pageant. It seems like the 15<sup>th</sup> of December would be a good day for the pageant. If this is too late in the season, please let me know. I am really looking forward to the pageant this year as the kids are that much older and that much more enthusiastic about learning the stories.

May the beginning of the holiday season find you able to slow down as Autumn calls us to do. May it find you able to see wonder in the faces of your children. May it find you trusting in a God who is greater than we know in the midst of the chaos of our present lives.

In Christ's Love,  
Bonnie





## **PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

Dorothy Altergott  
 Lynn & Phil Arnold  
 Rick Bartells, friend of Kim Cichon  
 Ed Bartelt, friend of Charlotte Mally  
 Ben Belmonte, nephew of Shirley and Ken Kolze  
 Barb Burget, daughter of Agnes Warren  
 Flo Dailey, friend of Charlotte Mally  
 Russ Drost  
 Kendall Eich  
 Brian Gavin, son-in-law of Gary & Sharon Altergott  
 Kyra Graham  
 Judy Haimbaugh, sister of Gloria Helms  
 Kathy Harlow  
 Rick Hasselmann, brother of Shirley Schimka  
 Michael Hayford  
 Orrin Helms  
 Carol Hennings, sister of Pat Kolze  
 Larry Herron, friend of Bob & Pat Kolze  
 Bill Houldsworth, husband of Laurie Houldsworth  
 Larry & Marlene Ingram  
 Barb Kerlin, mother of Bruce Kerlin  
 Jean Kolze  
 Laura Krause, daughter of Sharon Krause  
 Charles Leseberg, brother of Mary Ann Leseberg  
 Tracy Mack, sister-in-law of Ellen Graham  
 Jack Martin, friend of Amanda Doktor  
 Cathy McMillion, friend of Karen Wagner  
 Dorothy Mende & Bernice Skach, sisters of Charlotte Mally  
 Ron & Paulette Mohr, uncle & aunt of Kim Ferris  
 & Karen Wagner  
 Maryann Ostrem, friend of Arlene Kraus  
 Marilyn Paolisso, aunt of Bruce Kerlin  
 Jerry Parsons, friend of Sandy & Dave Gumm  
 Jody Peterson, daughter of Lynn & Phil Arnold  
 Jim Rees, friend of Jackie Schultze  
 Geri Rogers, sister of Pat Kolze  
 Blanche Schug  
 Sherry Stephens, sister of Shirley Ann Kolze  
 Fran Werner, sister-in-law of Sharon Florey

## **SERVING CHRIST IN WORSHIP**

### **Greeters for November:**

**3:** Ron & Donna Bochat  
**10:** Gloria Helms  
**17:** Sharon Florey  
**24:** David & Sandy Gumm

### **Nursery Attendant for November:**

Holly Chvoy

### **Usher Captain for November:**

Jim Schimka

### **Lectionary for November:**

**3:** Hab 1:1-4,2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; Isa 1:10-18; Psalm 32:1-7; 2 Thess 1:1-4,11-12; Luke 10:1-10.  
**10:** Hag 1:15b-2:9; Psalm 145:1-5,17-21; Psalm 98; Job 19:23-27a; Psalm 17:1-9; 2 Thess 2:1-5,13-17; Luke 20:27-38.  
**17:** Isa 65:17-25; Isa 12; Mal 4:1-2a; Psalm 98; 2 Thess 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19.  
**24:** Jer 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Jer 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Col 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43.

### **Lectionary Readers for November:**

**3:** David Russell  
**10:** Sandy Gumm  
**17:** Roseann Stenzel  
**24:** Tom Donat



### Altar Flower Chart

A new 2020 flower chart is up in Fellowship Hall this month. We welcome you to sign up to have flowers placed on the altar for special Sundays of significance to you and your family. Having flowers on the church altar is a wonderful way to honor, celebrate or remember special persons or events in your life. We are hoping to have the chart filled for each week of the year, so that fresh flowers remain a part of our weekly service. The cost is \$27.00, please make checks payable to St. Paul UCC. (envelopes are provided on the tray in front of the chart) Thank you!



### Totenfest Sunday, November 24th



St. Paul will remember and celebrate the lives of the faithful members and loved ones who have died in the past year.

Totenfest is a German word that means “Festival for the Dead;” this memorial has roots in All Saints and All Souls days from the medieval church. At this service of remembrance, a candle will be lit as the name of each person is read, celebrating the life of the loved one who passed away in the past year.

Should you wish to remember someone who was not a church member, and has passed away in the last year, please complete the printed forms available in the Narthex, or call the church office, so that their name can be included in the worship service.

**Please have the completed forms to the church office by Sunday, November 10th. Thank you!**

### Thanksgiving Eve Service Thursday, November 21st

Take a few minutes from your busy Thanksgiving preparations to join in worship on Thursday, November 21 for the 7:00 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service. This year’s service will be a joint worship service to be held at Christ Lutheran Church, 41 S. Rohlwing Road, Palatine.

Bring your neighbors, visiting relatives and friends as we gather together to thank the Lord for his blessings.



### **SUPPLEMENTS: Who needs them?**



Rose Jensen, Community Health Nurse from Northwest Community Healthcare, will be with us on **Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>** for a presentation on “supplements.” She will provide information on what the research suggests about taking vitamins, their benefits, and the role they play in leading a healthier lifestyle.

Join the health committee after church to hear a discussion on the difference between herbal supplements and vitamins, possible interactions with prescription medications, recommended dosages and times to take vitamins, and multivitamins. We will meet in the conference room at approximately 11:15. Please sign up on the Health Committee bulletin board if you plan to attend.



The Health Committee will be having the book exchange in January of 2020. Please save your books, CD's, tapes, and current magazines for the exchange.

More to come later. Thanks, Jackie

### **Women's Fellowship**

Women's fellowship need help tying fleece blankets on November 9th at 9:30 a.m., so we can give them to people who need to keep warm this winter. It's a fun project and no experience needed. Please join us for a fun day and bring a sack lunch. Sign up sheet is up in fellowship hall.



### **Recycling Reminder**

The Health Committee would like to remind everyone the guidelines for recycling plastic. Plastic containers numbered 1-5 and 7 can be recycled. Do not include #6 (PS Polystyrene). Containers should be empty and free of excess liquids and food residue.

## **We Need A Little Christmas Holiday Recital Saturday, December 7th**



Start off your season enjoying a holiday recital provided by our skilled pianist, Dr. Yukiko Fujimura and featuring Adam Hendrickson, baritone. There will be light refreshments served prior to the concert, starting at 4:00 pm, with the concert starting at 5:00 pm. Carols will be included, singing along is encouraged!

### *Christmas Decorating*



**Your help is needed** to decorate the Sanctuary for this holiday season. Please join us on **Saturday, November 30th at 10am**. It is expected to take about 2 hours to complete pending the amount of help present. Please consider helping us. We also need at least one tall person for those hard to reach places. : )

See Debbie Everett for details or questions. Thank you!



## Thanksgiving Word Scramble

1. rcon
2. ukppmin
3. krueyt
4. omfaylwer
5. niwsebho
6. ciarrbesne
7. spmiligr
8. ricdukmts
9. dnenir
10. syam
11. solrl
12. eremnbov
13. gobabl
14. dessret
15. ngstufif
16. uyhtarsd
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19. nnasidi
20. rbeda

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