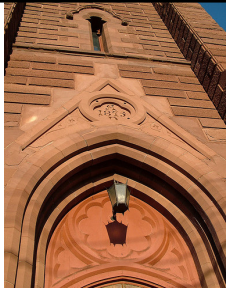


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## St. Paul's Prepares for Room At The Inn Guests November 9 – November 16

by Pat Micklow

St. Paul's is busily preparing to be a host church for the Room At the Inn homeless program in two weeks! The shift schedule is filling up. Meals are being planned. Even our Youth Ministry has already made wonderful signs and cards to welcome our guests! St. Paul's response to this direct mission for the homeless has been very generous and compassionate. Iris Erickson and I, as co-coordinators, feel very grateful and well supported!

Filling up the three shifts for seven nights has been our first concern. We hoped to have at least one St. Paul's member for each shift since they would be most familiar with the church and its idiosyncrasies. Fortunately, over a dozen members of St. Paul's have received their volunteer training and another 4-5 are expected at the next training (on Saturday, **November 1** from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church). So we have had a wonderful response already from these volunteers and most of the shifts are full. We need at least one male and one female volunteer per shift, and as expected, the graveyard shift from 2 a.m.-6 a.m. still has vacancies, especially for the female volunteer. (Are there St. Paul's women out there who like to rise really early? Let me know!) Over 500 volunteers have been trained across our community so we do have a lot of back-up volunteers to rely on!

Serving hot, nutritious dinners and breakfasts is also a major concern. But again, St. Paul's has come through like gangbusters! Over half of the dinners have been spoken for (we're told to plan on 15 people including guests and volunteers). The women from our sister church (St. John's in Negaunee) led by Kathy Lenten have graciously volunteered for one dinner meal. And for breakfasts, our St. Paul's women led by Jane McQuaid will do the 7 a.m. breakfast at St. Paul's on the final day of our hosting (Sunday, November 16). We still need one more breakfast at St. Paul's on Saturday, November 15. The weekday breakfasts (6:15 a.m.) are to be brought to the Agape Café (Faith in Christ Church, corner of Ridge & Third Sts. Mary Kelsey and Judd Spray are providing three of the five breakfasts required at that location.

St. Peter's has graciously agreed to loan us all of the bedding (sheets, pillowcases, blankets and mattress pads) for our first week and Iris Erickson and Sue Micensky have generously volunteered to do the laundry! We still need 2-3 trucks/vans to haul mattresses on Sunday afternoon, November 9 and more help with set-up and take-down on both Sundays.

So all in all we're in pretty good shape for this new commitment. The Unitarian Universalists have offered their help as well and are working with their congregation to consider partnering with St. Paul's. The cooperative ecumenical spirit we've experienced so far has been remarkable. And St. Paul's enthusiasm and support has been wonderful. We hope to have a very successful Room At the Inn on November 9 - 16!

# International Craft and Alternative Gift Fair

by Kai Carrigan

Each year for 17 of the last 18 years, the people of St. Paul's and greater Marquette have made the International Craft Fair, Alternative Gifts Fair, Group I's Bake Goods and White Elephant Sale, and Clyde's Kitchen part of their preparation for Christmas. This year the Fair will occur on Friday, **December 5**, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, **December 6**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Refreshments are served Friday night and lunch is available in the Great Room on Saturday so you can take a break from shopping (this has become an annual tradition for many of our shoppers).

Shopping for gifts that help communities here in America and around the world be self-sustaining, helping people provide for their families and continue their traditional crafts helps us give back to the world while building a stronger sense of community here. As we have each year, we will have unique handmade items from artists around the globe. Each year there are exciting new items and old favorites to decorate your trees and your homes, special gifts to honor your friends and family while making a real difference in the lives of other people around the world.

Alternative Gifts is a way to remember those you love by giving a gift in their name from our shopping list for the world. Books, medicines, wells, livestock, and rainforest shares have all been available on past shopping lists. There is something on the list each year that connects with the interests of all of us.

Jacquey Shellenbarger and Jan Edwards along with the Marquette Food Co-op, our cosponsors of the Fair, have been hard at work for several weeks as chairs of the Craft Fair; now it is once again time to ask you for your time and talent. Candy Conover is the St. Paul's chair of the Alternative Market and she will also be asking for your help for that weekend. Men, this your opportunity to shine in the kitchen, as the guys bake bread on Friday for the sale and organize and serve homemade soups in Clyde's Kitchen on Saturday. The women of Group I need donations of baked goods for Saturday morning. The men have posted a sheet for soup makers and recipes of the soups they need. As anyone

knows who is around St. Paul's for the weeks surrounding this amazing undertaking, there is a lot of hard work and fun involved.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Upper Gallery near the chapel for tasks and dates of volunteer tasks. We need people to help with setup, inventory, customer service the weekend of the sale, cashiers, the post sale inventory for returns and of course for you to bring friends and shop for unique ways to celebrate God's world and gifts to us.

## Youth Ministry November Update and Important Dates

by Cathy Greer Cole

Our youth will continue to gather in the chapel on Sundays after the Collect for worship and activities related to the lessons. As always, they will return to the Sanctuary for Communion. The fourth Sunday, which is November 23 this month, the youth will worship with the entire congregation and take active roles in the service.

We continue to seek additional parishioners who will team with leaders currently involved in Youth Ministry. We heartily welcome June Davis and Kathy Halvorsen who will be assisting with Youth Ministry in November. If you are interested in sharing your time and talents with our youth, please contact any one of the following:

Rise Thew Forrester	226- 2912 (St. Paul's)
Jim or Jan Edwards	249-4244
Jamie Randall	228-2155
Cathy Greer Cole	228-9936

Youth Ministry Meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of the month just prior to the All Parish Breakfast. We hope to see you there!

Other Youth Ministry Dates to Remember:

Friday, **Nov. 21**, 3 - 6 pm. Youth Friday Gathering  
Wed., **Nov. 26**, Soup Supper, hosted by St. Paul's Youth

One Friday a month, youth - 6th grade and up - are invited to gather for fellowship, activities, conversation to explore faith, and to share a meal. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jan Edwards at 249-4244 prior to November 19 so she will be prepared with ample food.

## November is National Hospice Month

by Bob Railey

Lake Superior Hospice (serving the Marquette area) has recently begun an effort to work intentionally with faith congregations throughout their service area. Here are some early developments for St. Paul's:

1. Marcia Franz (one of our pastoral care coordinators) will serve as our contact person with LSHospice. Anyone wondering if hospice involvement is appropriate for their situation may contact Marcia or me or phone Lake Superior Hospice directly.
2. Our Ministry Support Team will consider encouraging one or more from our congregation to be trained as LSHospice volunteers. Those trained can make their own decision about whether to serve as a LSHospice volunteer; having at least one of our own trained helps us better monitor when it is appropriate for friends or relatives to explore hospice care.
3. We will explore whether orientation to the services provided by LSHospice will be appropriate for our regional pastoral care group (the four congregations of Marquette County)
4. In conjunction with LSHospice's commemoration of National Hospice Month, St. Paul's will do the following:
  - a. St. Paul's bell will be rung at noon on Saturday, **November 1** (along with bells of faith and secular organizations throughout our area).
  - b. We are inviting any at St. Paul's to list friends and loved ones who have been served by LSHospice or by other hospice organizations; the list will be announced in upcoming Sunday bulletins.

## Part 2: Not so alien - Three-minute' hospitality provides welcome for strangers

by Jan Johnson, September 05, 2008 [Episcopal Life]

### Why I avoid strangers

Feeling uncomfortable. When two couples who had worked together on a church project for several years needed a break, they were asked to split up and train another couple each. But they refused. They were "too comfortable" in their clique, and so the project died.

Doing what makes us comfortable is often our guiding principle of behavior, forcing us to exclude strangers. Shyness. As a recovering shy person, I battled that three-minute guideline, wondering, But what will I say? But I remembered that others, especially newcomers, feel just as awkward and uncomfortable as I do. So I made a list of possible opening comments to use to start conversations. Then I took a deep breath to rescue these nervous strangers.

Territorial attitudes. When our church began chaining our parking lot on weekdays to keep out the cars of parents who were dropping children off at the adjacent school, I grieved. The school's parking lot was minuscule, and I saw many near-accidents. I mentioned this to church leaders, but they told me they'd just repaved the lot and wanted it kept clean. Finally, our leaders' minds were changed when a church across from another nearby school put up this sign:

### *Public Parking Welcome*

*except Sunday 6:30-11:30 a.m.*

*Join us Sunday at 8, 9:30, or 11 a.m.*

We're often reluctant to invite the stranger into our world because keeping places neat and clean can become more important than meeting the needs of people, especially strangers.

One way to start looking to the interests of others is to make it easy for newcomers to navigate situations at your church. So many prayer requests and announcements include the words "Everyone knows..." Maps to homes where activities occur aren't drawn up because everyone knows where so-and-so lives. So often I haven't known what and who everyone supposedly knew and have had to ask a lot of questions. I wince to think how many folks are excluded this way.

These experiences have inspired me to do such things as park in the back of the church lot to leave room for visitors and older folks. Newcomers feel strange after years of not attending church. They wonder if they're dressed right. They don't know when to stand in the service. No wonder they might turn around and go home if they can't find a parking place easily.

At its core, welcoming strangers is about dying to self, often in little ways. Such things as parking in the back are no big deal, but they've become concrete ways to train myself to put someone else's needs ahead of mine. We may live in a world where taking the best parking place is the normal thing to do, but as we are nurtured by Christ, we become radically different people -- welcoming ones.

## Women of Northern Michigan – Survey

*This questionnaire is intended to help determine the spiritual needs and longings of the Women of the Diocese of Northern Michigan in order to design future programs coordinated by the Women's Ministries Council.  
(In the interest of newsletter space, we have decreased writing space.  
Please feel free to use separate sheet and number your answers- ed.)*

What are your unmet mind, body, spirit needs?

How are you meeting your mind, body, spirit needs?

Bible Study p

Book Club Curves p

Yoga Group p

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

How are you re-energizing yourself?

What would you like to see in a gathering of women?

What topics would you like to have presented at a "women only" retreat?

What is the biggest impact on your attendance at a women's retreat: (check all that apply)

Time of year p

Length of time p

Location p

Subject/Presenter p

Cost p

Other p

I would be willing to spend \_\_\_\_\_ days and \_\_\_ nights at a women's retreat.

What time of year would you be most likely to attend a retreat?

When in the calendar year are you able and willing to participate in a gathering of women?

Circle / check those that apply:

Epiphany to Lent p

Easter through Labor Day p

Labor Day through Thanksgiving p

Deer Season p

Sign if you wish ... Please complete and mail this to:

Teena Maki or Coralie Hambleton  
470 U.S. Hwy 141 North 603 High Street  
Crystal Falls MI 49920 Marquette MI

# Liturgical Leadership

## Sundays:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Preside</u>	<u>Preach</u>	<u>Deacon</u>
November 2	<b>All Saints</b>	Kevin	Kevin	Larry
November 9	<b>Pentecost 26</b>	Bob	Vince	Coralie
November 16	<b>Pentecost 27</b>	Marcia	Judd	Pat
November 23	<b>Pentecost 28</b>	Rise	Rise	Larry
November 30	<b>Advent 1</b>	Jim S.	Jim S.	Coralie

## Holy Day Eucharists – now all on Wednesdays:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Holy Day</u>	<u>Preside</u>
December 3	<b>St. Andrew</b> (November 30)	

### Notes:

*The Diocesan Visitors Weekend (indicated on our Fall Quarter Schedule for November 7-9) has been cancelled due to 1) insufficient registration of visitors, and 2) a very full plate in this diocese right now.*

*Advent 1 (November 30) begins Year B of our three-year Eucharistic lectionary cycle; Gospel readings for Year B are primarily from Mark.*

## Winter Quarter Sign-up/Availability List, *by Bob Railey*

The sign-up list for winter quarter (January through March) will be posted from November 16 through December 14.

The sign-up list and associated rosters cover most of the activities involved in our Sunday liturgy - lector, leader of prayers, chalice, server, usher, coffee hour host, and coffee-maker.

You may use the rosters to increase or decrease your level of involvement; I continue to be in need of additional coffee hour hosts.

## Seasonal Planning *by Bob Railey*

November 2 is the last day to sign up to be part of seasonal planning for Lent/Holy Week.

The sign-up list will remain posted on the bulletin board in the chapel hallway through mid-February for the remaining seasons of the 2008-2009 liturgical year.

## **Ryan Sule Update,**

*by Burt and Sandy Purrington*

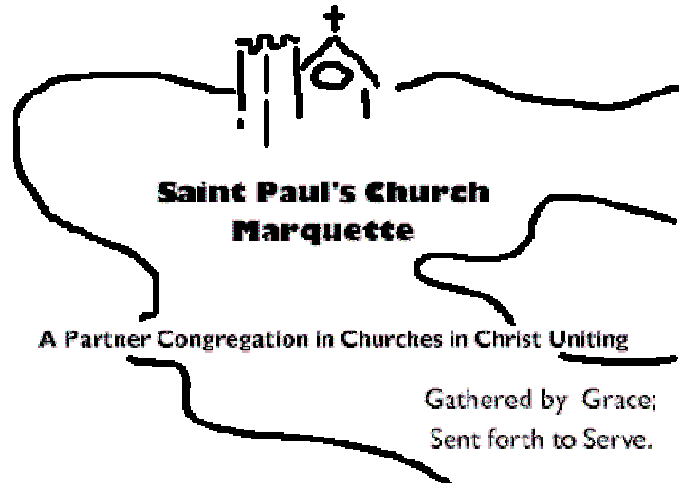
We just received a call from Ryan Sule's parents, Karan and Jeff Hendricks of St. Paul's, to say that a heart has become available and that Ryan will undergo a transplant within the next few hours. Karan is with Ryan in Rochester right now, and Jeff is driving there from Marquette tonight. Ryan, Karan, and Jeff, were all thrilled and deeply touched by the decision of our Diocese to donate our Sunday loose offering to help with Ryan's expenses and by all of the prayers and support of the St. Paul's Family and the Diocese.

Please continue to keep Ryan and his family as well as the family of the donor in your prayers.

Thanks so much and many blessings.

***Update: Ryan has successfully undergone a heart transplant!***

***www.stpaulsmqt.org***



## **Master Calendar,**

*by Meg Goodrich*

Parish leaders planning events and meetings will be pleased to learn that they can now check the St. Paul's website for the most up-to-date Master Calendar information.

Kathy will simultaneously update this website calendar, and print off hard copies for both her own desk calendar, AND a Wall Calendar for the bulletin board on the long wall. We plan to keep four months' worth there at a glance.

This method will make it easy to check our list of events first before scheduling--from either the comfort of home, or the convenience of the office wall calendar.

**After checking**, please then **ask Kathy** to include your event or meeting on the Master Calendar. (Events requiring Building Use Form will also have to go through Kathy.) Final word--Kathy's the Keeper of the Calendar!

# November Calendar

Saturday	1	Episcopal Ministry Discern. Team	10:00 am
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: 25 Pentecost</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
		Ministry Support Team meeting after service	
Tuesday	4	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
		Altar Guild	7:00 pm
Wednesday	5	Evening Prayer	5:30 pm
		Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday	6	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: 26 Pentecost</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
		Room at the Inn begins	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
Monday	10	Room at the Inn	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
Tuesday	11	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
		Finance Committee	12:00 pm
		Executive Committee	4:00 pm
		Room at the Inn	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
Wednesday	12	Evening Prayer	5:30 pm
		Room at the Inn	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
		Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday	13	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
		Room at the Inn	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
Friday	14	Room at the Inn	6:00 pm – 6:00 am
Saturday	15	Diocesan Council	10:00 am
		Episcopal Ministry Discernment Team	10:00 am
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: 27 Pentecost</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
		Preparations begin for Craft Fair <i>(volunteers needed)</i>	
Tuesday	18	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
		Finance Committee	12:00 pm
		Camp New Day	5:00 pm
		Liturgy and Formation Class	6:30 pm
Wednesday	19	Evening Prayer	5:30 pm
		Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday	20	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
		Vestry	7:00 pm
Friday	21	Youth After School Program	4:00 pm
		Ladies Luncheon, 'Waterfront Restaurant	11:30 am
Sunday	23	Youth Ministry Meeting	9:00 am
		All Parish Breakfast	9:15 am
		<b>Holy Eucharist: Last Pentecost</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
Tuesday	25	Mindfulness Meditation	7:45 am
Wednesday	26	Evening Prayer	5:30 am
		Soup Supper	6:00 pm
		Choir	7:00 pm
Thursday	27	Happy Thanksgiving <b>(office closed)</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist: Advent 1</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>

## November Birthdays

Janet Edwards	4
Elmer Hollinshead	5
Judd Spray	5
Alice Steinberger	5
Geoff Smith	6
Katie Edwards	11
Suzanne Sorenson	13
Michael Edwards	15
Marcia Franz	15
Alice York	18
Jolie DeMay	19
Pat Micklow	20
Kate Rose	21
Ramina Mikhael	23
Bill Mudge	23
Ashley Johnson	26
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# Late Breaking News

## Sunday Nursery

We now have a regular nursery attendant for Sunday services.

Please welcome Meghan, who is an NMU student, when you see her.

Please let others know that nursery services are again available.

## November Ladies' Luncheon

*by Barb Carpenter*

On Friday, **November 21** at 11:30 a.m. the Ladies Luncheon will be held at the

### **Waterfront Restaurant**

in downtown Marquette.

Join us for good food and conversation while enjoying a beautiful view of Lake Superior and the lower harbor.

Please make reservations by noon on Thursday, November 20 with Barb Carpenter (226-7571).

Hope to see you there!

**Intrigued by Good News Awards for U.P. Media? Judge needed for 2009. See Meg Goodrich.**

The deadline for the December Messenger is November 21.

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