



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Dear St. Paul's Family,

I write to you this month with great joy and hope as we decide to stand for the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus is actively at work among us. I hear many of you talking about your faith on levels that we haven't been at before. Isn't it interesting and assuring that, as we face the tumult in the broader Episcopal church, we are growing in our faith in Christ, and our hunger for His Word? I am encouraged by this.

I recall the people of Israel returning from exile, led by Nehemiah and Ezra. The people had been separated from the things of God for some time due to their ancestors giving up on their faith, no longer trusting God. Then, as the exiles returned from captivity in Babylon and Assyria, they stumbled onto the Word of God in the Temple. The people wept as they heard the Word read to them, and as the priests made the meaning of it clear and applied it to their lives. They vowed that they would make the things that were important to God important to themselves. They repented and confessed their falling away, as well as confessed the sins of their fore-fathers who had displeased God.

I can see some relation to the people vowing to return to God in those days to our current situation within the Episcopal Church. The Episcopal Church has left its moorings in Apostolic Faith. There is a remnant of faithful people, clergy and congregations to be sure. But by and large, our denomination is a sinking ship, its leadership at the highest levels having willfully chosen to leave the Historic Apostolic Faith and Order, offering no lifeboats to the people and con-

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gregations who do not want to sink with it.

So we are intently seeking the lifeboats. There is great hope stirring in the majority of the other Anglican provinces worldwide, and lifeboats are being prepared so that the remnant of the folk faithful to God and His Holy Word can continue in a Biblical, Apostolic and Missionary Anglicanism in the USA.

As we gathered during the October solemn assembly, we shared on these things and prayed for the Church. We prayed that there would indeed be a faithful witness of Anglicanism that would rise up out of this upheaval, so that we as a congregation would have a place to go to belong and to proceed from, as we fulfill our mission in this community.

Fr. Dick had a word of prophecy from the Lord this past week and we shared it at the assembly. It stated that the glory of God was departing from our denomination. It was a call to return to the Lord. I am very encouraged, and hope does remain that we will see a place for us to be faithful to God in the very near future. We are taking a bold stand at November Diocesan Convention in Conrath, joining many congregations around the country making stands for the faith as well. We want to share with the whole parish the status of our bold stand at a specially called Parish Meeting on November 5, 2006, at 9:15am between the two services, in the Parish Hall. I hope you will make every effort to attend, as we will corporately vote on several resolutions that are bold statements of our faith and intentions in the days ahead. These resolutions were mailed to you the end of September, and there is another copy in your box.. Read them. Pray over them. Ask God to lead us.

Blessings to you all. Your hearts are precious to me, and I continue to be committed to fighting for your hearts as you grow in Christ.

In Strength and Honor,  
Fr. Derek

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## Harvest Moon Barn Dance Food-Auction-Dance

to benefit

The Free Clinic of Pierce and St. Croix Counties

opening 2007

Saturday evening, October 14

Bjerstedt Farm, Hwy 35 & Glover

Tickets are \$25.

For more information see [presenter.com/~psclinic](http://presenter.com/~psclinic)

### **It's Thanksgiving Time...Really!!**

Those coins and bills you've been putting in your United Thank Offering boxes want to be emptied and put in the offering plates on **Sunday, October 15**. Don't forget, checks made out to St. Paul's Church with "UTO" in the memo portion will work too! UTO stands for United Thank Offering and they go directly to help groups of people struggling to help themselves. Here's a way to make your "Thank You" to God be a powerful response. Watch for boxes in the narthex.

### UWEZO Fundraiser

Uwezo is so blessed to once again have the company of talented musician, Fred Obare. For a spirit-filled evening in fellowship with other Christians, put Saturday, October 14th at 7 PM on your calendars. This is an annual fund-raiser for Uwezo, and we need you! Uwezo spends its time and resources building strong Christian citizens, people that will never again return to incarceration. The concert will be held at Trinity Church on St. Croix Street

October Birthdays:

4	Ginny Elmer	24	Mary Blanchard
	Denise Brouillard	25	Mary Place
5	Ray Jensen	26	Tori Marben
6	Phyllis McGinnis		
7	Nancy Firth	27	Amanda Conover Wurtzberger
8	Clarance Swanson	30	Steve Singerhouse
9	Benjamin Gerard		Marion Joan Kranz
12	James Kircher		
	Anthony Kranz		
13	Kim Larson		
14	Heather Solie		
17	Nancy Benton Brown		
	Violet Peters		
18	Rose Schuler		
20	Grace Firth		
22	Garrett Conover		
	Diane Kadidlo		
23	Elisabeth Nelson		
	Andrew Terwilliger		

October Anniversaries

1	Bill/Kendra Ryder
3	Jim/Heather Solie
10	Andrew/Brenda Terwilliger
15	Rex/Louise Cunningham
17	Neil/Jill Wenzel

If your special day is not listed—Please contact the church office. Thanks!

Sunday School News:

I would like to thank Christine McGinnis, Tori Marben and Kim Larson for teaching Sunday School. We were blessed to have them as teachers and thank them for sharing their love of the Lord with the children. I would like to welcome Brenda Terwilliger and Nikki Singerhouse to the Sunday School program. They have graciously accepted the call to teach. Thank you!

Sunday School is off to a great start. There was a lot of enthusiasm and excitement as the children re-connected with their friends and teachers. The children kicked off the year by making leaves for a tree for those who want to 'fall for Jesus'. When you are in church, take time to look at the tree in the Narthex/hallway. It not only has children's names, but bible verses of people who were committed to following Jesus.

Pizza and Game party: On October 29th, there will be a pizza/game party at noon, in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited. It is a great time for fellowship for both the children and the adults. A free will offering will be taken up to pay for the pizza.

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**Services:**

Sun. 8:00 am Holy Eucharist Traditional Service  
9:15 am Adult Bible Study/Sunday School  
Children's Sunday School (Sep-May)  
Youth Confirmation Class (Sep-Apr)  
10:30 am Holy Eucharist Praise Service

Wed. 2:00 pm Women's Bible Study (Sep-Apr)  
3:00 pm NETworks Youth Ministry Middle High  
6:00 pm NETworks Youth Ministry Senior High

Thur. 9:00 am Hudson Mom's Group Meeting  
11:00 am Holy Eucharist/Bag Lunch/Bible Study

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**Clergy:**

The Rt. Rev. Keith B. Whitmore, Bishop  
The Rev. John E. Rasmus, Rector  
The Rev. Richard McGinnis, Associate  
The Rev. Derek Washington, Associate

NETworks Youth Director: Ben Woods  
Episcopal Church Women: Patti Muenich 715-386-8532  
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Men's Social Ministry: Ed Slamkowski 715-246-9989  
Sunday School: Amy Dickerson  
Operation H.E.L.P. Volunteer Phone Line 715-386-0881  
\*Small Group Bible Study: Sunday and Wednesday evenings  
\*Alpha Course Host: Inquirer's Class: is offered in the fall and early spring. Call the church office for dates, times and locations