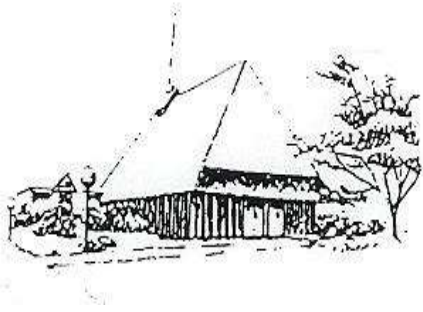


THE  
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APRIL 2024



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10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II or  
Morning Prayer

The Rev. Peggy Mathauer, Deacon

Vestry:

Ed Darling      Senior Warden  
                         Junior Warden

Julie Bonanno  
Josh Cheney  
Yolande Franklin  
Cyndi Freeman  
Art Hessler  
Cheryl Hooper  
Pam Roberts  
Candace Smith

Vestry Clerk: Pam Roberts  
Treasurer: Sandy Aldrich

Assistant Treasurer: Iris Darling  
Pledge Secretary: Iris Darling

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9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
or  
Morning Prayer

The Rev. Lucy Pellegrini, Deacon

Vestry:

Kim Hatgen      Senior Warden  
John Stroup      Junior Warden  
Sarah Hale  
Bob Laidman  
Jeff Mangini  
Diane Merrill

Vestry Clerk      Katy Arend  
John Stroup      Treasurer  
Director of Music      Judy Woods

## Waiting

We're in a time of transition as we experience the ending of one phase and wait for the start of another – in the world, our country, the seasons, our church, ourselves. This particular time of waiting has been especially marked by the solar eclipse. There was the gradual covering of the sun by the moon, then those minutes of waiting in darkness, when we saw the circle of the sun's light as never before in a new way – and then the re-emergence of the sunshine. We knew the light would come back in the movement of those heavenly bodies, the size of which we cannot comprehend, that the psalmist contemplates as he asks, "What is man that you are mindful of him?"

And we know likewise that the growth and flowering of plants will come. Jesus, in his metaphors with plants often reminds us of what we know as he gives us a way to think about our faith and trust. He wants us to be as certain of them as we are about the return of light and plants.

There is power in the sun and the moon, and as Nancy reminded us in her last sermon, there is power in plants, like the power of the feverfew seeds that grew after years of lying dormant in an envelope. Cheryl adds that the feverfew, with its tiny white flowers loves Vermont, and has another kind of power: once it grows somewhere, it's hard to eradicate. It takes us aback to think of our faith and trust in terms of the sun and the moon, and of seeds. But Jesus invites us to think that way in this transitional interval of waiting, as we pray for faith and trust, and the way we respond to them in our deeds and lives.

*Ed Darling, Senior Warden  
All Saints*

## APRIL AT ALL SAINTS

**Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>,  
Easter II**

10 am Service of Morning Prayer

**Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>,  
Easter III**

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>,  
Easter IV**

10 am Service of Morning Prayer

**Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>  
9 am - Noon  
Clean Up Day**

**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>,  
Easter V**

10 am Service of Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>  
Easter VI**

10 a.m. Service of Morning Prayer



## APRIL AT ST. PAUL'S

**Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Easter II**

9:30 am Service of Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>  
Easter III**

9:30 am Service of Morning Prayer

**Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 pm Vestry**

**Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>  
Easter IV**

9:30 am Service of Holy Eucharist

**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>  
Easter V**

9:30 am Service of Morning Prayer

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>  
Easter VI**

9:30 am Service of Holy Eucharist

## COTS Walk – Sunday, May 5, 2024

All Saints Church will host a team in the 35<sup>th</sup> annual COTS walk on Sunday, May 5, 2024.

COTS, formerly known as the Committee on Temporary Shelter, is a local organization dedicated to helping people meet their acute needs when they are without a home and to helping them take steps to get permanent housing.

This will be the third year that All Saints has had a team participating in the walk. All are welcome to join the team, either as walkers on May 5 or as virtual walkers. Both kinds of walkers need to raise money by asking people for contributions before the walk. Members of our parish who are not walkers will have abundant opportunities to support the team during the month of April.

Registration for the walk is now open. Visit the website, [cotsonline.org](http://cotsonline.org) where you will find clear instructions on how to register, including, new this year, a short video that will guide you through the registration process. Be sure to register as a member of the All Saints Church team.

Soon I will have envelopes available for you to collect and record your donations. Donations can also be made online, where they can be credited to you and to our All Saints team. Our team goal will be to raise at least \$2500. I know we can do it! Please let me know if you have questions or concerns.

*Marga Sproul, team captain*

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ALL SAINTS' NEWS



**Daniel's 8<sup>th</sup> Birthday Announcement  
as seen and heard on Zoom.**

**We miss him, his parents Craig and Lori,  
his sister Ella and brother Isaac, and  
wish them the very best in their new  
home in Blaine, Minnesota.**



Besides the usual needs at the Food Shelf, please note the following things they are particularly low on:

- Jam**
- Jelly**
- Coffee**
- Tea**
- Snacks**
- Crackers**
- Paper Towels**

**Roofers fixing the steeple leak**



**Easter Sunday at All Saints**



We were sad to see in Seven Days that **Marcel Beaudin** died on March 29<sup>th</sup> at age 95. Marcel was the architect of All Saints Church built in 1964.

**On April 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at McCauley Square** on Mansfield Place in Burlington, there will be a memorial service for long time member Marion Dooley. The Rev. David Hamilton will preside. John Dooley and family has invited anyone from All Saints to attend.

**April 27<sup>th</sup>, 9 am to Noon** is our Outdoor Clean Up Day. Please help by bringing work gloves, rakes, tarps, clippers, etc. Pizza lunch will be served.

On Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, we said farewell to long time member Betty Packer. Her two daughters brought her to church for the last time. She will be moving to an assisted living place near to them in New York.



Betty and Deacon Peggy



Liturgy of Sending Forth as the congregation laid hands on Betty.

## ST. PAUL'S VEGENNES NEWS

### Constellation Newsletter for April 2024

#### *Holy Week and Easter*

In spite of 14+ inches of snow on Palm Sunday, St. Paul's gathered to read the passion narrative, take palms to those who could not make it in to church that day, and to celebrate the short but fruitful ministry with us of the Rev. Dr. Nancy Hauser. During the service, we offered prayers and asked a blessing on her as she travels to a new home close to young grandchildren and new adventures, and we continued the celebration downstairs. At a brunch organized by Kim Hatgen, we showered her with cards and a gift card as well as lots of hugs and thanks, knowing that would not be possible on Easter as she was the priest at 9 am with us, and 11 am at All Saints.

On Maundy Thursday, we participated in the traditional foot washing and watched as the sanctuary was quietly and gracefully emptied of everything with color or brass. The young women who had recently completed the confirmation class, carried everything out, handing sacred and treasured pieces to waiting hands of their parents in the sacristy.

On Good Friday, again the Passion was read with multiple readers, solemn collects and anthems, familiar hymns and periods of silence. It was a moving, quiet service.

On Easter, the church was filled with over 70 worshippers, the lilies were abundant and fragrant, and the choir sang anthems and led us in the familiar celebratory hymns. Again, Kim organized a brunch. Parishioners had filled and decorated eggs for the younger participants. We bid a hasty goodbye to Nancy as she hustled back down the aisle to get to All Saints in time.

Thank you to all: vergers, greeters, Altar Guild members, readers, admins, and Passion participants, for donations to coffee hour and egg decorators and hidiers, as well as those who stepped in and up when a need was identified. The involvement and ministries evident enriched and deepened the spiritual experience of the week for all of us. You are blessings to all of us.



**Good Friday**



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**Easter**

### ***Boys and Girls Club Snacks***

For several years, several people from St. Paul's have provided wholesome snacks, and the occasional cookie, for 20-30 teenagers who gather after school at the Vergennes Boys and Girls Club. Situated close to the high school and middle school, there are many programs offered at the Club, ranging from STEM oriented gatherings to health initiatives. Many teens attend for the camaraderie or because they are not involved in after-school programs. Some have friends who go regularly. Other teens have no where to go after school, because there is no one is home, home is not safe, or there is no home. Every Wednesday, parishioners deliver snacks as the doors open at 2pm.



Those providing snacks  
for the Boys and Girls Club



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### ***Ministry Discernment Committee***

The joint Ministry Discernment Committee between St. Paul's and All Saints has been meeting and interviewing candidates. We are coordinating an in-person visit with one of the candidates to meet with both of our vestries 4/10 - 4/13. Please continue to hold this committee and the candidates in your prayers as we discern the next settled clergy for our constellation.

Rebecca Chauvin,  
MDC Chairperson

### ***Prayer for the search process at St. Paul's, January 2024 and beyond:***

Gracious God: Your wisdom is beyond our understanding. You know us better than we know ourselves. Guide those in our constellation charged with searching and discerning, as we face new challenges and possibilities. Open our hearts to ever-deepening faith. Open our ears to listen intently. Open our eyes to see the needs around us, in our churches and beyond. Affirm our covenant to honor the dignity of each person, and feel the presence of the Holy Spirit throughout. We pray in the name of the Light of the World, your son Jesus Christ. Amen.

### ***Racial Reconciliation Book Group***

*April 24, 2024 7pm (Zoom link will be provided as always)*

Lenore and Bo discussed options, and she would like to go with: [The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together](#) by Heather McGee. The New York Times called it, "The book that should change how progressives talk about race." and the Chicago Tribune said, "Required reading to move the country forward...". It is a Washington Post and TIME Magazine Must-Read Book of 2021."

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/564989/the-sum-of-us-by-heather-mcghee/>

It has also been suggested that we consider taking one of the racial bias inventories. There are many available, but the one suggested by Franci Farnsworth is:

<https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/takeatouchtestv2.html>

### ***Service participants' schedule***

The schedule for participants for April and May has been sent out. Copies are also available in the Narthex. If you are interested in serving at Coffee Hour, there is also a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. As an FYI, procedures for verger and greeters is being developed and will be distributed when complete.

## APRIL SCHEDULE

### CRUCIFER FOR EUCHARIST

April  
14 Glenn Sproul  
28 Joshua Cheney

### EUCHARIST MINISTER

April  
14 Marian Halloran  
28 Marga Sproul

### MORNING PRAYER

#### OFFICIANT

April  
7 Cheryl Hooper/Lit. Sheila Stanton  
21 Sheila Stanton  
May  
5 Yolande Franklin

#### LECTOR 1

April  
7 Laura Buel  
14 Candace Smith  
21 Christi Surmont  
28 Jackie Arbuckle  
May  
5 Matt McGibney

#### LECTOR 2

April  
7 Matt McGibney  
14 Yolande Franklin  
21 Glenn Sproul  
28 Jasper McGibney  
May  
5 Iris Darling

### INTERCESSOR

April  
7 Iris Daring  
14 Margaret McLean  
21 Becky Fox  
28 Cheryl Hooper  
May  
5 Candace Smith

### USHERS & GREETERS

April  
7 Chuck Conn/Candace Smith  
14 Joe & Nancy Suarez  
21 Chuck Conn/  
28 Chuck Conn/  
May  
5 Whye Yap

### ALTAR GUILD

April  
7 Pam Roberts  
14 Marga Sproul/Cyndi Freeman  
21 Sheila Stanton/Cyndi Freeman  
28 Debra Lunn/Cyndi Freeman  
May  
5 Pam Roberts/Cyndi Freeman

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

April  
7 Pam Roberts/Ed Daring  
14 Ellie Bushweller/Margaret MacLean  
21 Chris Sheil/Erinn Wetherby  
28 Ed Darling/Margaret MacLean  
May  
5 Pam Roberts/Ed Darling

### VERGER

April  
7 Chuck Conn  
14 WhyeYap  
21 Chuck Conn  
28 Chuck Conn  
May  
5 Whye Yap

### COUNTER

April  
7 Yolande Franklin  
14 Art Hessler  
21 Cyndi Freeman  
28 Joshua Cheney  
May  
5 Candace Smith

### MUSICIANS

April  
7 Matt McGibney  
14 Ed Darling  
21  
28  
May  
5 Matt McGibney

## **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

3 Aaron Welch  
4 Shanti Mathauer  
6 Betty Packer  
8 Bruce Bosley  
17 Cheryl Kail  
17 Laura Buel  
17 Isaac Wielenga  
22 Meg Huffman  
23 Glenn Sproul

## **IN MEMORIAM**

6 Don Crofut  
19 Donald Kiley  
28 Evelyn Munson



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