

St Paul's Syracuse

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Leave It To The Beavers Celebration. We so appreciate these amazing people who have helped tremendously in some of the finish work of the dining room and kitchen. Joe Russo, Nolan Palsma, Jim Doyle, David Webb, Joe Moorman, Barbara Bell, Father Philip, Betsy Elkins, Phyllis Palsma, Tom Cantwell, Catherine Gerard, Marion Greenhalgh, Ieva Doyle. Members of the crew not in the photo include: Greg Tuttle, Tim Schmidt, Robert Becera, and Bob Wagner.



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*No Matter Who You Are,
Or Where You Have Been,
There Is A Place For You At St. Paul's*

Open Doors is 98% Complete!

by Fr. Philip

In 2015 a group of leaders at St. Paul's began planning for a major renovation of our Parish House. The planning and fundraising effort for the project lasted eight years. The project was eventually given the name *Open Doors* and was led by more than a dozen faithful members who brought exceptional skills and dedication to their efforts. Our leaders raised more than \$2 million to fund the construction, including more than \$800,000 in national and state grants.

St. Paul's signed a contract with Drulyk Construction for completion of *Open Doors*, and construction began two years ago, in the fall of 2023. There were several major delays in our construction timeline, as often happens with a large construction project. Let's remember a few of the extra pieces of work accomplished during the past two years:

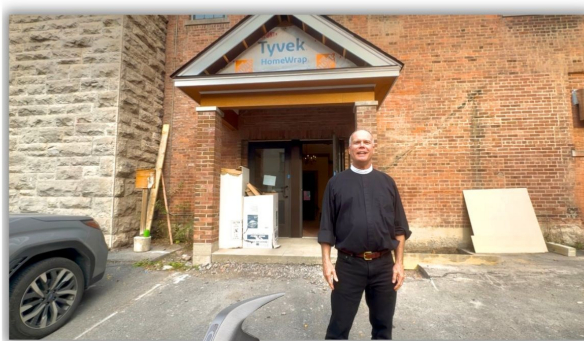
- We incorporated a new fire alarm and security system into the plans, and contracted with Drulyk to renovate two apartments on the third floor that have been sorely in need of repairs and vacant for most of the past ten years.
- During the past year a group of our members have taken matters into their own hands to accomplish three additional projects: building a new storage room on the first floor, removing all of the old, decrepit structures in the alley, and sprucing up our kitchen with fresh paint and new, bright kitchen lights.
- After years of planning and legal work, we signed a contract with *A Tiny Home for Good* on June 18th, which will allow them to construct ten apartments and community rooms on the second floor to provide dignified, safe housing for senior men who have experienced homelessness.

This month, in October of 2025, we can see the results of ten years of effort. We have a beautiful, covered entrance from the parking lot into the Sargent Foyer. Our new toilet rooms have been built to handle a large crowd. The new entrance lobbies are bright and beautiful. The old floors in the kitchen, bathrooms and hallways, which were worn out and contained hazardous materials, have been replaced with beautiful, new tile floors. The elevator in the Montgomery Street lobby will make our first and second floors fully accessible. All of the roofs on the Parish House buildings have been replaced. All of the windows (more than 80) in the Parish House have been repaired or replaced. All of the exterior trim and masonry of the Parish House has been repaired.

Very soon, it will be time for St. Paul's to celebrate the completion of *Open Doors* and give thanks to those who have led this effort. Please join us for two celebrations:

- *Open Doors Ribbon Cutting* at noon, Friday, October 17th. This is a community event. Invite your friends and neighbors! See page 6 for details.
- *Open Doors Gala Celebration*, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Saturday, November 8th. Please add this to your calendar and look for more information in the weekly newsletter and in the leaflet!

Fifteenth Construction Update Video is Online



The fifteenth video in our series of ongoing progress reports of the *Open Doors* project is on our website.

Rev. Philip Major shows the new entrance from the parking lot and the ongoing work on the Sargent Foyer. He also gives a sneak peek into the new expanded bathrooms still in progress.

Go to our website to watch the video.

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Easter People Living in a Good Friday World

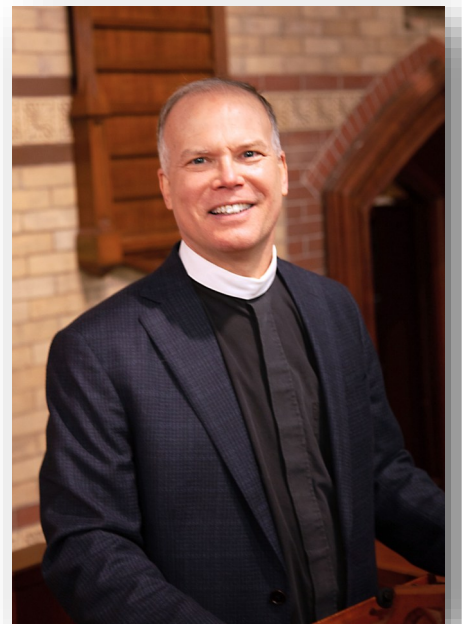
by Fr. Philip

*Then Jesus said to the chief priests,
the officers of the temple police,
and the elders who had come for him,
"Have you come out with swords and clubs
as though I were a rebel?"*

Luke 22:52

We are feeling many different emotions in response to the increasing number of shootings in public places, such as the mass shooting during a worship service at the Church of the Annunciation in Minneapolis on August 27th. Many of us are grieving, afraid, exhausted, and confused about the best way to respond to these tragedies.

My primary message to you this month, is that the leaders of St. Paul's have taken a proactive approach to keeping our congregation safe for many years. We will continue to take a proactive approach. I encourage you to read the article written by our wardens to learn more about steps St. Paul's has taken to protect our members. With the increasing threat of gun violence, at our September 8th meeting, I asked our Executive Ministry Team to begin a new effort to strengthen our security procedures. In the coming months our Executive Ministry Team will create a proposal for increased security for our Vestry to consider. Our Wardens are helping lead this process. If you have specific ideas and questions about St. Paul's security procedures, I encourage you to speak directly with them, or send an email to Ieva at ieva.doyle@gmail.com or Joe at joemoorman@gmail.com.



Here are three ideas we hold in mind as we begin this work:

1. We want to keep our congregation safe while continuing to welcome diverse people to our congregation, the way Jesus welcomed women and men, people of all national, social, and economic backgrounds, and people who had been excluded from full participation.
2. Completion of *Open Doors* will increase our security in several different ways, and it raises a few new security questions for us.
3. We are a medium-sized congregation, with a medium-sized budget, doing ministry in a very large building.

Our large building presents us with challenges and opportunities for making our congregation more secure. Jesus proclaimed the Good News of God's saving love and brought hope to people, even as the religious and political leaders were making plans to bring their clubs and swords and arrest him. We experience and see lots of anger, hatred, divisiveness, and violence in the world around us. Jesus came to bring peace to people who were afraid. Jesus came to bring love to people who were grieving the untimely deaths of their loved ones.

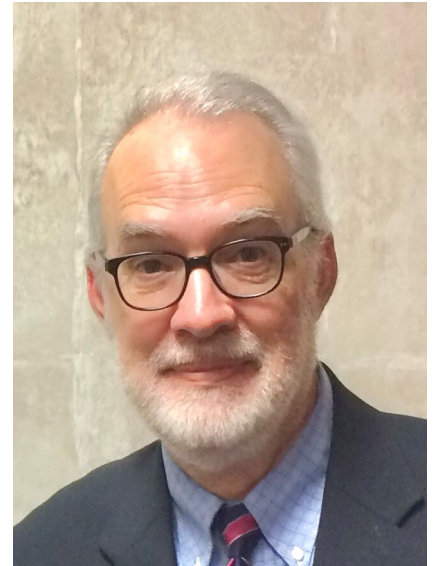
God is calling us to build a community of joy, inclusion, and fellowship in a time of fear and divisions. God is calling us to be witnesses of the resurrecting power of God's love for people who are afraid, people who have experienced violence, and people who have been excluded. God is calling us to be Easter people living in a Good Friday world.

Philip +

Warden's Report

By Ieva Doyle and Joseph Moorman

The national news in recent weeks seems full of mass shootings, politically-motivated killing, and escalating rhetoric of finger-pointing and blaming. In fraught times it is natural for a community to pull closer together and become more insular and suspicious of outsiders. But Christ's gospel message is to love our neighbors without exception, just as Jesus embraced the poor, the sick, and the outcast.



As wardens, we want our congregation to feel safe - and be safe - while worshipping or serving in any of the numerous ministries at St. Paul's. The safety of St. Paul's congregation has been a long-standing concern of the leadership of the church. Ten years ago, Derek Lane was hired to provide security during our Sunday services. When we greet Derek upon entering the church each week, we tend to forget the serious job he is there to perform.

Not long after hiring Derek, leaders at St. Paul's started working on an Emergency Action Plan detailing an emergency response team and building emergency procedures. One Sunday after worship last year, we held an emergency evacuation drill involving everyone at St. Paul's (including children and leaders of our Godly Play group in the Hadley Chapel).

We have a first aid kit, an automated external defibrillator, and Narcan available at the back of the sanctuary and have offered training in use of these life-saving tools over the years. And we've spent years becoming more intentional about keeping outside doors locked at all times.

Our alarm system has always been connected to the Syracuse Fire and Police Departments in the event of an emergency, and we have smoke alarms, sprinklers and/or fire extinguishers in the Brewster Room, Hansen Dining Room and kitchen. A safety light was installed in the church parking lot.

In addition, we've offered the required Safe Church training for all staff and ministry leaders for years, and held an in-person Safe Church training attended for about 25 people earlier this year. This summer, Father Philip took the Safe Church leader training class and is now a certified Safe Church training leader.

Additional security upgrades for the church and the Parish House are being installed in tandem with the Open Doors project. Indoor and outdoor security cameras will monitor the perimeter of the church property. Physical keys will be replaced by electronic key fobs that will be programable, and will only open certain doors depending on the access needs of the fob holder. For instance, Fr. Philip will have a key fob that gives him total access to the church and the first floor of the Parish House, while *A Tiny Home For Good* staff and residents will have fobs that only permit entry from Montgomery Street into the new elevator lobby and to the second floor of the Parish House.

New interior doors will be installed as part of the Open Doors Project, and the Executive Ministry Team and Vestry will establish policies for what parts of the building will be locked and when. The new West Entrance to the parking lot creates a more accessible entrance to our facilities, but also means that there are two entrances that need to be monitored on Sunday mornings. We will consult with local law enforcement and other experts to help us determine the best ways to keep our entrances safe, train us, and perhaps also to lead us in conducting an active shooter drill for the congregation at some point.

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Part of the job of Wardens at St. Paul's is to foster community, promote unity, and encourage participation in the church's mission. Our desire is that every member of St. Paul's feel safe while working toward these goals. We ask anyone with concerns or questions to talk with either one of us, Father Philip or any member of the Vestry.

In Person & Live Stream



Sunday, November 2
4:00 p.m.

Even song for All Saints

All Saints Evensong 🌿 A Service of Remembrance



Thank you to our Altar Guild for cleaning every corner of the sacristy!
L to R: Betsy Barker, Joe Russo, Ellyn Hass, Ruth Brown, DJ Igelsrud

*You Are
Invited!*

Open Doors Ribbon Cutting

Friday, October 17 12 Noon

In the St. Paul's Parking Lot

Brief Remarks by:

- Rev. Philip Major, St. Paul's Church
 - Mayor Ben Walsh, City of Syracuse
 - Bridget Fidler, Partners for Sacred Places
 - Rachel May, NYS Senator
 - Andrew Lunetta, Executive Director, A Tiny Home for Good
 - Cathy Wolff, Co-Chair Open Doors Capital Campaign
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- The Donor Wall unveiling. Meet internationally recognized artist, Margie Hughto.
 - Take a tour and look around.
 - Enjoy light refreshments.
 - Bring your family and friends to help usher in the next century of St. Paul's Church's mission in downtown Syracuse.



Hope to see you there



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Fr. Philip will Attend CREDO September 30–October 6

CREDO stands for Clergy Renewal, Education and Development Opportunity. The Episcopal Church invites active clergy members to participate in these conferences at the beginning, in the middle, and near the end of the time when they are serving as priests or bishops. These conferences are extremely helpful for priests and productive for the congregations they serve. Participants spend a week working through a series of spiritual and practical activities, supported by a community of clergy and highly skilled leaders. One of the helpful parts of CREDO is that *The Church Pension Group* pays a large share of the cost, so the financial burden for priests and parishes is not so heavy.

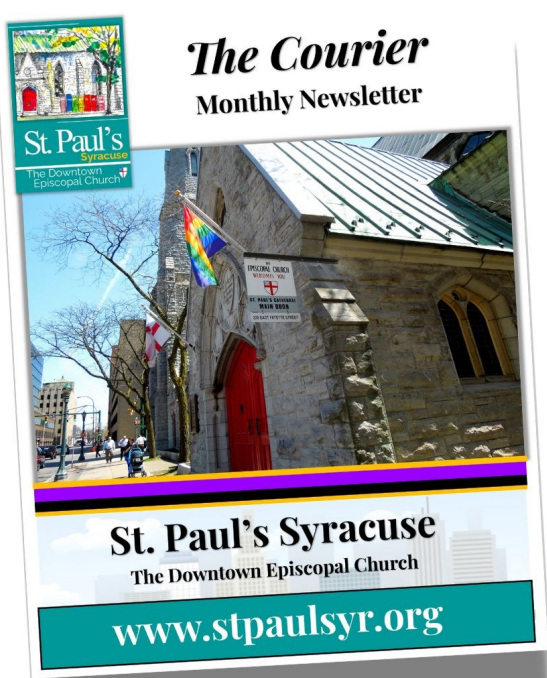


I received an invitation to participate in a CREDO conference several months ago and signed up to participate within an hour of opening up the invitation. This will be my third CREDO conference and will be held at the Roslyn Conference Center near Richmond, Virginia. I am eager to participate again for three reasons:

1. During *Open Doors* construction many additional duties have been added to my job description, so it is more important than ever for me to have time to get reoriented to my core values and core responsibilities.
2. My first two CREDO conferences were extremely productive times of discernment and strategic-planning for me.
3. At previous CREDO conferences I made strong connections and learned a lot from other priests.

As always, St. Paul's will be led by a strong team of leaders during my absence. The Rev. Perry Mouncey will lead our 8 and 10 a.m. worship services on Sunday, October 5th. Please contact one of our wardens in case of pastoral emergency during my time at CREDO.

Fr. Philip +



The deadline for the November Courier is Wednesday October 15

Please send articles as an attachment using Word or Google Docs or another common word processing program.
And send any photos as JPG files.

A reminder: Please do not put in formatting such as **indents or bullets**.
We will add those during editing.



Open Pantry Drop Off

The third Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.
You can drop off food at the E. Fayette St. door.

St. Paul's Celebrates the National Children's Sabbath on Sunday October 19

By Jeanne Avery

Jesus said "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." (Mark 10:14 NRSV). Within our adult selves is a child with a sense of wonder, curiosity, and awe. Godly Play is a way to present the stories of God in a process that reaches into that child-like wonder. Godly Play is the curriculum we use to encourage and guide our children as disciples of Jesus.

Our Children's Sabbath celebration will include our traditional liturgy and Eucharist with the sermon presented in the form of a Godly Play story. We are delighted to have the Rev. Phyllis Palsma back with us, presenting the story of the Good Shepherd.

For the sermon on October 19, the children will be seated around the presentation table, which will be located near the center aisle in the front of the nave.

Several materials will be used and are best seen up close, so you are encouraged to sit near the front of the sanctuary. A wondering time will follow the story. Wondering is a critical component to how children process the stories of God as this calls out creative imagination.

The Godly Play team encourages everyone at St. Paul's to join us for our National Children's Sabbath celebration on October 19th during the 10 am worship. There will be only one service that day, at 10:00 am.



Last year's children's sabbath

Soup Anyone?

By Betsy Elkins



With the construction of Open Doors wrapping up, and with our wonderful kitchen back online, some of us are thinking about making soup again! As many of you may remember, or if you are new, you may have heard that for about 10 years we offered a soup lunch once a week from October through April. Regular attendees were parishioners as well as folks who might be living or working downtown or anyone who just wanted a nice soup lunch. We provided homemade soup, bread and a cookie for a suggested donation of \$5, all of which we passed along to the Samaritan Center. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship as much as the food. And those working in the kitchen had a good time as well.

I started soup lunches as a little retirement gig for myself and to use our kitchen more frequently and for the benefit of others in our community. Many folks helped make this a great little mission piece for St. Paul's a success. We were all sad when Covid paused our soup lunches followed by Open Doors construction which took our kitchen offline.

Before we resume this effort, I would like to get a sense of how much energy and interest there is in soup lunches now and how much help folks are willing to give to make it happen again. Answering the questions below will help me and others plan accordingly. Send me an email, tear this sheet out of the Courier, or just tell me what you think. Thank you for giving me your thoughts about soup at St. Paul's:



Your name: _____

Did you know anything about soup at St. Paul's before reading this article?

Did you ever attend a soup lunch at St. Paul's?

Did you ever help with a soup lunch?

Would you like to help with a soup lunch and if so, how often?

Do you have any suggestions or thoughts to offer as we think about resuming soup lunches?

Our First Potluck, October 10th

By Liz Handler

Next month, on October 10th, we will have our first potluck in years! It's going to be fabulous. Whatever you want to bring will be perfect; from chips and dip, to casseroles, to salads, to desserts, bring whatever you would like. I know it's all going to be delicious.

The kitchen door will be open at 5:30, and everyone is welcome. St. Paul's will supply the plates, glasses, and flatware. We will need lots of helpers.



Please talk with Tiffany Miner and let her know what you will help with. We will need the tables set with placemats, flatware, napkins, salt and pepper, and glasses for about 40 people (this can be done in advance). On the day of, we need water pitchers on every table and help setting everything out. The biggest ask is for 5 or 6 people to help at the end, clearing tables, tossing trash, running the dishwasher, and putting everything back where it belongs. It works best if people have signed up before the 10th, so please help us have a wonderful time and easy clean up. Thank you!

Special Sung Mass Offering

By Cathy Wolff & Jim Potts

At the 10am service on **Sunday, October 12th**, the St. Paul's Choir will sing Hans Leo Hassler's *Missa Secunda* for the ordinary parts of Holy Communion (the parts that do not change from week to week). In Latin, the ordinary consists of the Kyrie, Gloria, Credo, Sanctus, Benedictus, and Agnus Dei.

Holy Eucharist – Rite One in our Book of Common Prayer most closely follows what the choir will be singing. At the beginning of the service, you will find the Kyrie and Gloria on page 324. These are followed by the collect of the day, the reading of the lessons, a psalm, and the sermon. In the interests of time, the Creed will be spoken. The rest of the ordinary is part of the Eucharistic Prayer. You will find the Sanctus and Benedictus on page 334; the Agnus Dei (page 337) follows the Lord's Prayer.



Our wonderful choir (2024)

Missa Secunda, published in 1599, is one of Hans Leo Hassler's better-known masses and a splendid example of Hassler's style - a unique combination of the best elements to be found in both German and Italian art of the day. Hassler was a German composer and organist of the late Renaissance and early Baroque eras and is considered to be one of the most important German composers of all time. We hope you will enjoy this rather short choral mass setting as much as the choir enjoys singing it.

The Kitchen is Back!

By Betsy Elkins

While we enjoyed having coffee in the sanctuary for almost two years, it is wonderful to have our kitchen back to help with our fellowship. We look forward to mounting other social events from our kitchen including regular parish suppers (mark Friday October 10 for the first one), Orchestra Receptions (beginning on Sunday September 28) and the Open Doors Ribbon Cutting (Friday October 17.) And some of us are thinking about resuming soup lunch. (See article in this Courier on page 9.)

The only work in the kitchen that was within the scope of the Open Doors project was to replace the floor (after removing asbestos!) and construct a smaller pantry to replace the former space that was converted into toilet rooms. Yet we did much more thanks to the good work of many people:

- We cleaned and painted all the walls. (Catherine and Joe, Tim Schmidt)
- We removed two doors and installed dry wall. (Tim, Nolan and Philip)
- We replaced all the light fixtures with new LED lights (Nolan and Jim D.)
- We had our contractor install a window!

We contracted with our cleaning service to deep clean the kitchen after the contractor returned all the very dirty appliances and counters to the room which they did with 4 people for 8 hours on a Saturday in August! Then an army of volunteers (Kira, Willson, Anita, Sue, Maureen, Barbara, David, Ieva, DJ, Tim and Georgette, Denise, and Betsy) worked a few hours each day for a week to clean everything that had been stored in the Hansen dining room for 2 years collecting construction dust. Kitchen items stored on the lower level were retrieved (thank you Nolan) and washed as well. Everything is now returned to its former location in the kitchen or in the new pantry space.

A new refrigerator was delivered (thanks Nan Dorr Fund.) New kitchen items (dishtowels, potholders, cutting boards, spatulas, etc.) were donated (thank you, Barbara, Joe, Amy, Denise, Elizabeth, Heather, and Betsy.)

Routine maintenance/cleaning was performed to rid things of construction dust on the hood/fan/ductwork over the stove, the Ansel system, the disposal and dishwasher. The kitchen is now bright and clean, and highly functional again. We encourage everyone to look around and acquaint or reacquaint themselves with where things are located and how to use the dishwasher. Short orientation sessions can be provided upon request.

There is also a set of kitchen guidelines posted on the bulletin board to help you and to remind you of some basic “rules” such as wear gloves when handling food, put things back where you found them, and clean up after you work! We hope that we will keep the kitchen clean and clear of clutter as we move forward. Let us know if you have questions or concerns about the kitchen.



Delivery of the new refrigerator



ST. PAUL'S KITCHEN CLEAN UP CHECKLIST

- Wash all pots, pans, dishes and put them away.
- Store left over food appropriately, give it away or leave in refrigerator marked for a specific purpose with a date.
- Thoroughly wipe all surfaces, stove, sink, around dishwasher, etc.
- Bag all trash and take it to the alley trash cans.
- Sweep floors in kitchen and dining room if necessary.
- Check oven—is it off, no food inside? Turn off exhaust fan and hood light.
- Coffee pots turned off? Coffee pots cleaned?
- Drain dishwasher, turn it off, leave the door up. (See instructions if necessary.)
- Take laundry home to wash (dishtowels, tablecloths, etc.)
- Windows closed, lights out, doors locked. Leave table lamps on stainless steel shelf on.

(edited Sept. 2025)

Remembering the Saints in Your Life

By Fr. Philip

On Sunday, November 2nd, we will celebrate **All Saint's Day**. I invite you to begin preparing for All Saints Day by considering one or two people who function as a saint for you. The 'saints' in our lives are not perfect, but they provide real-life examples of what it looks like to be seeking to know more about God's ways, and seeking to follow God's ways more nearly. The person could be someone who is remembered by many people, or someone who led a very quiet, private life. The person could be someone who died long ago, or someone who is alive and perhaps younger than you.

On Sunday, November 2nd, I encourage you to bring something small, a photograph, a book, or something else that helps you remember one of these saints in your life. In the middle of our worship service we will devote some time to remembering and giving thanks for these people who help us understand and remember God's ways of faithfulness and love.

All Saints Day Celebration

Sunday
November 2nd
10:00 a.m.



Remembering: Someone who is a saint in your life

Bring: Something small, such as a photograph, a book, or other small memento

Pastoral Care Message

By Kira Dirghalli

I thank my St. Paul's family for your prayerful support and caring during the last 5 months of very physical, painful times. It has also been a time for me to fully realize that God is in charge of my life, which I need to accept prayerfully and with humility. The struggle to finally learn the cause of my pain took many twists and turns,. But I finally found an answer in Hematology/Oncology Associates, not far from my home. The diagnosis was Multiple Myeloma. A week ago, my treatment started with low dosages of medication, 2 days on, 3 days off, 3 days on. On Monday of this week, I received my first weekly shot, again in a smaller dosage. It was pain-free until the evening, when I started to shake uncontrollably. It took my daughter some time to calm the shaking. Once again, no one else had these symptoms??!! My treatment will continue for 8 weeks with the hope of easing the spread of the cancer and keeping it under control with minimal medication. I will continue my volunteering, especially as a member of the pastoral care team. Someone else will be the leader, with Fr. Philip.



I am ending with a quote that gives me strength. "In all we face, whether in times of great rejoicing or as we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, God is there. And this really makes all the difference in the world. No matter how many waves slam into the ship, no matter how seasick and soul-sick I might get, the Good Physician is on board. Again, that makes all the difference in the world. (A quote from The Anglican Digest for this month, September 2025).

Open Doors Donor Wall

By Catherine Gerard

The Open Doors Donor Wall Committee selected a design for the wall presented by nationally and internationally noted ceramic artist, Margie Hughto, professor at Syracuse University. You may have seen her public art at the New York and Buffalo subways, Syracuse Zoo, and CENTRO station downtown. The donor wall will be installed in the Sargent Foyer spanning the walls between the doorways to the church and the stairway. Margie and her team have spent hours at St. Paul's noting images that make the church special and recreating them in tiles whose style and glazes reflect the arts and crafts period of our worship space. The final wall will serve as a beautiful transition from the foyer to the church, while honoring all who provided financial support for Open Doors. The pictures give you a sense of the work in progress! We hope to unveil the final piece on October 17.



Cider & Donut Social for the YMCA Seniors



Wednesday
October 22

St. Paul's will host a cider and donuts social at the YMCA senior residence on Wednesday October 22 at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to join in the fun, please get in touch with Debbie Bogan.

Bicentennial History Minute

D. Kenneth Sargent

By Anita Wagner, Co-Chair, Bicentennial Steering Committee

Author's Note: As St. Paul's celebrates the completion of the Open Doors construction project which includes many improvements to the Sargent Foyer, it is fitting to remember the good works of architect, educator, and long-time member, **D. Kenneth Sargent** (b.1904 - d.1991).

In a 1984 proclamation dated the Fifteenth Week after Pentecost, **D. Kenneth Sargent** was honored "by the Dean, Vestry, and congregation of St. Paul's Cathedral in recognition of in excess of 40 years of continuous service to the Cathedral and Parish" as Vestryman, Warden, and chairman of several committees. A commemorative scrapbook in the church archives contains the proclamation and more than two dozen photographs of building projects Kenneth had led.

Seven years later, for the celebration service of Kenneth's life, the writer of the worship leaflet observed that "Much of the beauty enjoyed by everyone who comes to St. Paul's is the result of his love. He designed much of the Chancel furniture, the Peace Altar, the cases for the main and antiphonal organs, the Sacristy paneling, and the Chancel stenciling. He oversaw the redecoration of the Hadley Chapel, the Brewster Room, the Hansen Dining Room, and the Sargent Foyer" (named in honor of Kenneth's son Thomas Jay Sargent, who died in 1980).

Kenneth had a dual-career as an architect and educator. He graduated with honors from Syracuse University's School of Architecture in 1927; joined the faculty in 1930; became dean in 1958; and was named professor emeritus upon his retirement in 1970. He was also the senior partner of the architecture and engineering firm Sargent, Webster, Crenshaw & Folley, which became one of the largest in the Northeast, designing office buildings, banks, churches, private homes, and schools, including many in the Liverpool School District.

In Syracuse, you can see several buildings designed in the firm's modernist style, including the James M. Hanley Federal Building and the Toomey Abbott Tower. Upon retirement, he was asked which project in his long career he was most proud of – the Justice Building on the Empire Plaza in Albany (built in 1970).



Photo Credit - John Deacon <http://www.courthouses.co>

Active in community service, Kenneth championed the re-design of Liverpool's Johnson Park; served on the Liverpool School Board; and chaired the village's zoning board of appeals. He was a founding director of the Friends of Onondaga Lake.

Over the years, Kenneth received numerous awards. In addition to having been elected to the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Architects, he was the 1956 recipient of the Syracuse University George Arents Pioneer Medal, the highest award bestowed upon on alumni. At the SU School of Architecture, the Sargent Visiting Professorship fund continues to support two visiting professors each year.

In 1967, a photograph of Kenneth, taken by renowned Armenian-Canadian photographer Yousuf Karsh, was included in the "Portraits of Greatness" series, commissioned by Northwestern Mutual and appeared in *Newsweek* and *Time*.

Photo Credit: Estate of Yusef Karsh
Kenneth had two children with his first wife, Jane Cyril Skerritt, who died in 1942. In 1946, he married Marjorie Stevens of Liverpool. At the celebration

service of Kenneth's life in 1991, he was remembered as a man who loved his family, his church, his professions, and his community.



Feminist Theology

by Laurie Sanderson

Feminist Theology looks forward to beginning another year on Wednesday, October 15th at 7:30 online. We are now reading the book: *Calling In. How to Start Making Change with Those You'd Rather Cancel* By Loretta J Ross. Derina Samuel will lead our discussion. All are welcome.

Questions? Please speak with Laurie Sanderson. Closer to the starting date, we will send out the information on how to connect.



St. Paul's All Church Picnic September 7



Tina, Ryan & Joseph



Jeanne, Marcia, George, Denise, Kira



Bao Bao, Katie



Phyllis and Patty



Sanderson Grandchildren



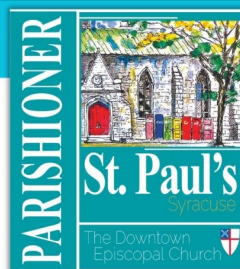
A hungry group



Christina, Jim and Sylvia



Important Parking Reminders



Please do your best to park within the lines of the parking places. We know some lines are hard to see, and may be smaller than a normal parking place dividing line. When cars are not correctly in a spot, we lose valuable parking places on Sunday mornings.



Also, please remember, when you come to the church on weekdays before 5:00 p.m., PLEASE do not park in our tenant parking places that have been paid for. We have a few spots on the fence that are available for St. Paul's but that is about it until the construction is complete. We are so sorry for any inconvenience.



Make sure you have your parking sticker visible. We don't want to accidentally tow your car. If you need a new sticker, please contact Judy. Email: jmcadoo@stpaulsyr.org

Common Threads



St. Paul's Common Threads will not be meeting in September. We will begin meeting again on **Monday, October 13th at 7:00** at the home of Tim & Georgette Schmidt. All are welcome to this time of fellowship. You are welcome to bring something to knit, crochet, embroider, mend, sew, quilt etc.

You are also welcome to come without a project and just enjoy the conversation and company.

Blessing of the Animals

**Sunday, October 12th
4:00 p.m. in Lemp Park**

(behind the church parking lot)

- Bring your favorite animal for a special blessing
- In case of rain, the service will be held in the Fayette Street Porch at St. Paul's



September Calendar



Wednesday, October 1, 4:30 pm, Contemplative Prayer—Private Zoom Channel
Thursday, October 2, 7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 5, 8:00 am, Worship – In Person
Sunday, October 5, 9:50 am, Godly Play Sunday School & Nursery in the Hadley Chapel
Sunday, October 5, 10:00 am, Worship Service – Live Stream & In Person-Rev. Perry Mouncey, Guest Clergy
Tuesday, October 7, 5:00 pm, Bicentennial Steering Committee, Montgomery Zoom
Wednesday, October 8, 4:30 pm, Contemplative Prayer—Private Zoom Channel
Thursday, October 9, 7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 10, 5:30 pm, Pot Luck in the Hansen Dining Room

Sunday, October 12, 8:00 am, Worship – In Person
Sunday, October 12, 9:50 am, Godly Play Sunday School & Nursery in the Hadley Chapel
Sunday, October 12, 10:00 am, Worship– Live Stream & In Person
Sunday, October 12, 4:00 pm, Blessing of the Animals—Lemp Park
Monday, October 13, Indigenous Peoples Day—Offices Closed
Monday, October 13, 3:30 pm, Finance Meeting—Montgomery Zoom
Monday, October 13, 7:00 pm, Common Threads—Georgette Schmidt's Home
Tuesday, October 14, 5:00 pm, Vestry Meeting—Brewster Room
Wednesday, October 15, Deadline for November Courier
Wednesday, October 15, 4:30 pm, Contemplative Prayer—Private Zoom Channel
Wednesday, October 15, 7:30 pm, Feminist Theology—Ask Laurie Sanderson for Zoom link
Thursday, October 16, 7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal
Friday, October 17, Diocesan Convention
Friday, October 17, 12:00 Noon, Open Doors Ribbon Cutting in the parking lot
Saturday, October 18, Diocesan Convention
Saturday, October 18, 10:00-12:00 pm, Open Pantry Drop Off—Fayette St. Door

Sunday, October 19, 9:50 am, Godly Play Sunday School & Nursery in the Hadley Chapel
Sunday, October 19, 10:00 am, Single Service Worship– Live Stream & In Person-Children's Sabbath
Sunday, October 19, 11:15 am, Directory Pictures Taken in the Hansen Dining Room
Monday, October 20, 12:00 pm, Bible Study —Brewster Room
Wednesday, October 22, 4:30 pm, Contemplative Prayer—Private Zoom Channel
Thursday, October 23, 7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, October 26, 8:00 am, Worship – In Person
Sunday, October 26, 9:50 am, Godly Play Sunday School & Nursery in the Hadley Chapel
Sunday, October 26, 10:00 am, Worship– Live Stream & In Person
Sunday, October 26, 11:45 am, Future Directions Task Force—Brewster Room
Monday, October 27, 12:00 pm, Bible Study —Brewster Room
Monday, October 27, 1:00 pm, Bicentennial History Meeting—Brewster Room
Tuesday, October 28, 5:00 pm, Buildings & Grounds—Montgomery Zoom
Wednesday, October 29, 4:30 pm, Contemplative Prayer—Private Zoom Channel
Thursday, October 30, 7:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal

Father Philip will be away for continuing education September 29 through October 6.



MELONIE CAVANAGH
& MICHAEL VAUGHT
10/5

JOSEPH VON SOUDER
& RYAN LYONS
10/27

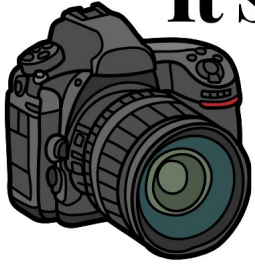


JOE MOORMAN 10/2
LEXIE GREENHALGH 10/7
ANNA WRIGHT 10/9
HANNAH LANE 10/9
TIM SCHMIDT 10/12
DAVID RIDINGS 10/13
LA VERNE DOCTOR 10/13
JOHN WOODMAN 10/22
KIRA LANE 10/23
SUE BEECHING 10/26
DEMETRIO MUÑOZ 10/26
CATHERINE GERARD 10/26
AMY MANGRAM 10/28
KIRA DIRGHALLI 10/31



Tiffany Miner, Tina Emanuelli, Jeanne Chu, some of our wonderful Lay Eucharistic Ministers.

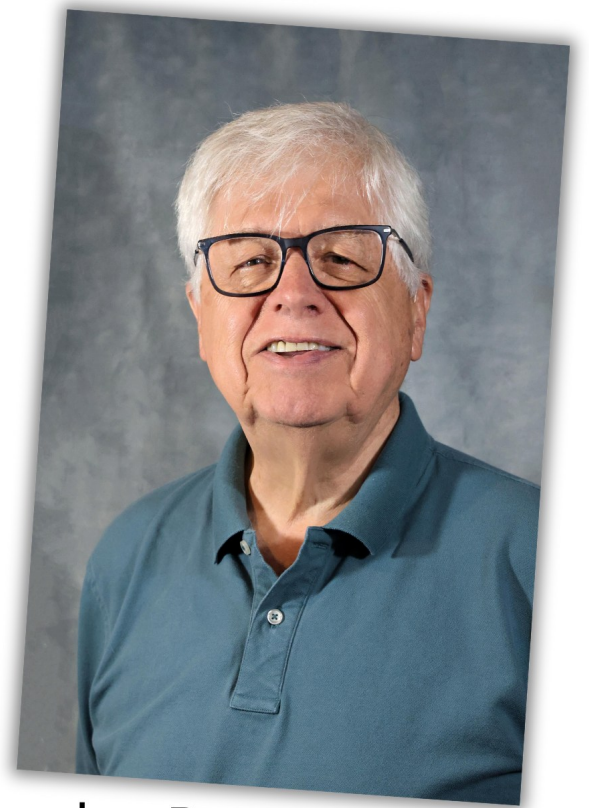
Say Cheese!



It's time for a new photo shoot
for the church directory

Sunday, October 19

is the next date for the photo shoot. It will be in the
Hansen Dining Room after the service.
We will take individual photos, couples and families.



What to Wear: plain colored tops work best like the shirt Doug is wearing
in this sample photo. If you have any questions, please contact
Judy McAdoo-Pelton at jmcadoo@stpaulsyr.org

SAVE THE DATE

Open Doors Gala Celebration

Saturday, November 8

STAY TUNED FOR FURTHER DETAILS!