



THE WORD

The Latest
Stained-Glass
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CTSPW Cont Ed Class
Jubilate Deo Workshop

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In the August edition of **The Word** readers will find updates on activities at St. Paul's Center and St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center on **page 5**.

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Pastor Sherrill's monthly letter to the congregation on **page 3**.

Pastor Frank sits down and talks about the upcoming Jubilate Deo Lutheran Music Workshop on **page 4**, and a few other odds and ends.

Birthday's and Wedding Anniversaries for August and September are on **Pages 8 and 9**.

Pages 10 and 11 By the Numbers for the month of July for all three St. Paul's entities.

The monthly calendar has been revised for August on **pages 12 and 13**. Please let us know what you think about the calendar.

Page 14 and 15 discuss all the projects ongoing and completed in the first half of this year.

The back page (**page 16**) discusses the annual upcoming CTSFW Continuing Ed Class hosted by the Council Bluffs Circuit of the Iowa District West.

We look forward to hearing comments on the information shared inside **The Word**.

Is there anything you would like to see different?

Please send an email to the Church Office at splccboffice@splccb.org.

Important Upcoming Dates

August 2026	
Tuesday, August 4 th , 6:00pm - 8:00pm	SPLECC - SPC Board Meeting at St. Paul's Center
Wednesday, August 5 th , 10:00am - 11:00am	Kick-Off Meeting for Stained-Glass Project at St. Paul's in Church Lounge.
August 11 th - 14 th	CTSFW Continuing Education Class w/Dr. Carl Fickenscher
Thursday, August 13 th , 8:30am - 4:30pm	Jubilate Deo Lutheran Music Workshop @ St. Paul's
Thursday, August 13 th , 4:30pm to 7:00pm	St. Paul's Music Conservatory Open House w/Dinner and Music Recital by Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo
Tuesday, August 18 th , 6:00pm	SPLECC - SP Center Follow-up Meeting @ SP Center
Wednesday, August 19, 6:00pm	Elders Meeting
Thursday, August 20 th , 6:00pm	Church Council Meeting @ St. Paul's Lutheran Church
September 2026	
Wednesday, September 2 nd , 6:00pm	Christ Academy Kick-Off Meeting
Tuesday, September 8 th , 6:00pm	Elders Meeting
Wednesday, September 9 th , 9:00am	IDW Council Bluffs Circuit Pastors Meeting at St. Paul's
Wednesday, September 9 th , 5:00pm	2026-2027 Christ Academy Begins
Saturday, September 26 th , 3:00pm - 7:00pm	Oktober-Fun-Fest

“Climate Controlled Storage”

By Rev. Nathan Sherrill

Dear Friends in Christ,

Over the course of 21 years of ministry we, at St. Paul's, have been through a few ministry changes together. Change in ministry is just part of ministry.

In roughly the past ten years, I have been put into positions to be able to spend more time interacting with other congregations, particularly through the work of David's Harp and in the position of Circuit Visitor. Change in ministry seems to be part of other congregations as well! In light of all these experiences, personal study, conversation and reflection, I started writing a book about a year ago. The book started as personal journaling, pencil on paper, while flying on airplanes or during any downtime while out of town for a speaking engagement, conference, or David's Harp event. So what am I writing about?

My book relates to “change” in ministry. There are some things in ministry that have to change. There are other things in ministry that have to stay the same. I'll never forget Dr. Kurt Marquart telling a room full of seminarians that the hardest thing for us in

ministry may be to figure out how to “proclaim the never changing Gospel in an ever-changing world.” I've been very mindful of those words of my late professor in the last ten years.

The title of my developing book is “Climate Controlled Storage.” It is less about storage and more about the challenge of change. You see, as I work with other congregations, sit in call meetings, learn of their situations and the situation of churches across our synod, there are often reoccurring themes. One of them is dealing with the artifacts from programs or ministries of the past that remain in classrooms, hallways, offices and other empty spaces in our churches and schools. We have all heard about the proverbial VBS in 1948 that was “bigger and better than any other.” What does that mean for us today? Well, in some cases we are still storing the “stuff” from these days. While ministries of the past have “seen their better days” many of our churches are left with little vision for the present and the future. In many cases, this reality presents itself in the fact that we can't figure out how to clean up and move forward. As I travel and learn more about

churches in our synod, in some cases it seems as though we are operating as much like “Climate Controlled Storage” Facilities as we are Christian ministries. We are storing the leftovers from the “glory days” and have no idea where to turn or what to do in ministry in our day.

This summer I have been able to intentionally focus my attention on our own ministry needing some rehab at our Early Childhood Center. There are many things to celebrate in our SPLECC ministry and keep the same. There are many aspects that need to change. What shall we do? We will change what needs to be changed and keep what needs to be kept, keeping in mind that change in ministry is indeed, part of ministry.

I am extremely excited in the direction we are going at SPLECC. Instead of predetermining what we will do, we will continue to dig deeply together in order to make the most of God's resources pointed to His glory and our neighbors good.

God's blessings in Christ!

✝ Pastor Sherrill

Jubilate Deo Lutheran Music Workshop

What? – A music workshop for all music students going into grades 2-12. For several years, leaders of SPMC have discussed hosting such event. We are excited to make this a reality! Not only does the workshop give students an opportunity to learn, it also gives students of like mind the opportunity to mingle around common interests.

When? – Thursday, August 13, 2026

Who will attend? – Students of St. Paul's, Students of SPMC, Students of circuit & district churches.

Who will lead?

Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo (keyboard);

Dr. Kurt VonKampen (choral)

Mr. Morgan Cowell from Great Plains Piano (piano design)

Mr. Ryan Luckey from Bedient Organ Company (organ design)

Goals?

1) To develop young church musicians within St. Paul's Congregation, the Council Bluffs circuit, Iowa District West, and greater Council Bluffs/Omaha community;

2) To demonstrate to our continuing education participants and guests the beauty of music which faithfully proclaims Christ;

3) To foster awareness of the mission of St. Paul's Music Conservatory (community), David's Harp (synod), and the Concordia University System and Seminaries (synod)

Schedule:

8 a.m. - Registration/Arrival

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. – Matins

9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. – Choral Workshop (Grades 2-8)
– Dr. Kurt VonKampen

9:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. – Piano Workshop (Grades 9-12)
– Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo

11 a.m. – noon – Basics of Piano Design
– Morgan Cowell

Noon – 1 p.m. – Lunch/Break

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Piano Workshop (Grades 2-8)
– Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo

1 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Choral Workshop (Grades 9-12)
– Dr. Kurt VonKampen

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Basics of Organ Design
– Ryan Luckey

3:45 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – Student Talent Show
(Public Welcome)

Evening Events Open to All

4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Conservatory Open House

6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. – Evening Meal

7 p.m. Piano Recital – Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo

Scan the QR code to register today. The Workshop is open to students in grade 2 -12. For more information, please contact the Church Office at Phone: 712-322-4729 or email splccboffice@splccb.org





If you blink you missed most of the summer activities at The St. Paul's Center.

Summer Art Camp Success

During the last part of June and the first four weeks of July, Paul High Horse lead several High Horse Collective Art Classes For All ages. Children from grades K - 12 participated in 3-day classes. A "Senior" Art Class was also held on Tuesday afternoons over a three week period that ended on Tuesday, July 21st. Everyone who attended the classes enjoyed the time together and learning Art. Mr. High Horse plans to offer additional art classes later this fall. Look for more information on the St. Paul's Center website and email blasts coming in September.

Summer Program Update

With about three weeks to go before the end of the 2026 session, The Summer Program has been a success once again. While initial enrollment was down at the start, enrollment continued to grow throughout June and July with four additions to the program. Isaiah and Mari leading the Summer Program. Isaiah assisted a few of the students with tutoring on different school subjects, while Mari worked with tutoring and other activities.

High-School & College Bible Study

Isaiah was kept busy interning at The Center. Isaiah is leading the Thursday evening College & High School Bible Study Group which will end on Thursday, August 20th. The Bible Study group

has been averaging about 12 to 15 students each week.

Early Childhood Center

It has been a busy fast paced Summer for the ECC. Between every other week Wednesday Water Days, Pastor Sherrill playing kick-ball with the children, the "slushee" truck visiting in July, Lutheran Church Charities Comfort Dog visiting, and the target goal of 50 students attending the Center it has been a whirl-wind of activities. The staff at the ECC has been invigorated with all the activities going on with ECC. A staff food day was held in July and more of those will follow in the coming months.

St. Paul's Gardens

Miss Glennda and The Frank Family have been busy WW&H "weeding, watering & harvesting" When you walk out to the gardens and pumpkin patches the crops are coming in strong. There will be plenty of pumpkins for Oktober-Fun-Fest.

Homestead Cabin Project

Finally, an update on the Homestead Cabin Build that was started during Camp Creation II. Martin Cannon, Pastor Sherrill, and a few draftee volunteers have been busy finishing up the cabin. Once completed the cabin will be moved into the playground area for the children to enjoy.



Seeing The Word of The Lord Capital Campaign Update I

By Bob Finke & Timothy Hanusa

In this month's edition of The Word, we will begin looking at all 35 stained-glass windows here at St. Paul's. The first four windows we will look at are the Lectern side-aisle windows. Thank you again to Mr. Timothy Hanusa for all the research on each of the window meanings. For an update on the Stained-Glass Window Project please turn to page 14.

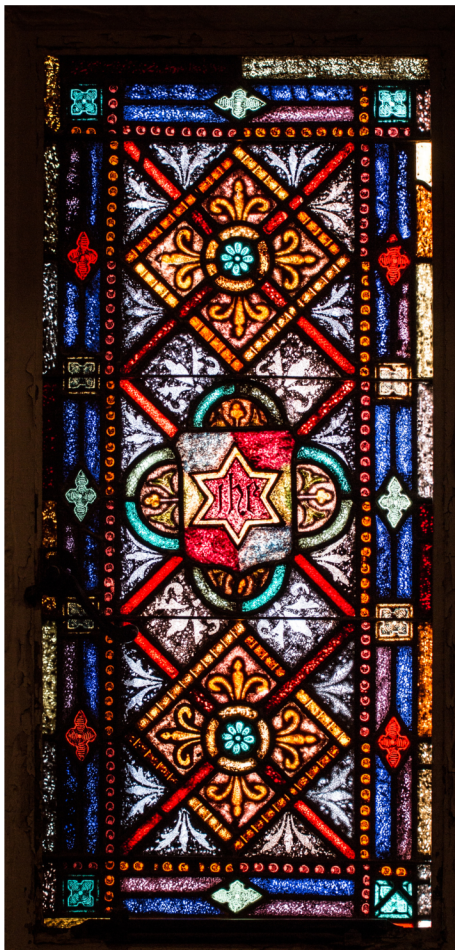


The first window on the lectern side we will discuss is the Tree and the Serpent entwined around the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. This is from Genesis chapter three where the Devil in the form of a serpent tempted man to eat the forbidden fruit. Man fell from his right relationship with God and cast out of the Garden of Eden.

The second window, on the lectern side-aisle, depicts the flaming sword keeping Man out of the Garden of Eden after God banished Adam and Eve from the garden of Eden. In Genesis 3:24 "He drove out the man, and at the of the garden of Eden he placed the Cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life. The flaming sword symbolizes both the barrier created by sin and God's righteousness.



The third window depicts the serpent wrapped around the world representing sin spread to all men through the fall of Adam. In St. Paul's letter to the Romans chapter five verse twelve Paul wrote: "Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all because all sinned..."



I should have our first-year Seminarian, Nathanael Sherrill, write this section. Nathanael recently completed his Greek Language course during the summer semester at CTSFW. The fourth window on the lectern side depicts a six-sided or hexagon star with the Latin letters IHC (Greek IHΣ) in the center of the star. The IHC (IHΣ) is a "Christogram" or abbreviation of the Greek word IHΣΟΥΣ meaning Jesus (note

letter Σ or Sigma looks similar to a Roman C, so you would see the abbreviation of Jesus written with the Latin spelling of IHC).

I= iota

H= eta

Σ = Sigma

The six-sided or hexagon star represents the star of creation in Christianity. The complete symbol meaning is of the Messianic prophecy of the coming Christ. From Numbers 24:17 - "...There shall come a star out of Jacob and a scepter out of Israel...". The idea that the Savior would be for the world, the same world that was wrapped in sin according to the previous window (Thank you Pastor Sherrill for the help with the meaning of the window).





August Birthday's & Anniversaries

Birthday's

August 1st

Dane Hansen
Rosemary Paul

August 2nd

Malaika Lusajo

August 3rd

Julie Gardner
Charlotte McKee

August 4th

James Schmit

August 9th

Timothy Kealy
Marc Riley

August 10th

Karen Burns
Billie True

August 11th

Erika Harris
Ashley Smith
Suzanne Wood

August 12th

Karen White

August 13th

Lynn Farrell

August 14th

Christine Circo
Lois Hanusa

August 15th

Elizabeth Escritt
Rev. Robert Lindau Jr.

August 16th

Kent Brockmann
Kathy Cowell
Timothy Frank

August 17th

Todd Cundiff
Debra Mohling
Dan Wurdeman

August 19th

Miles Wurdeman

August 20th

Brett Allen

August 22nd

Linda Hanusa

August 23rd

Henry Batterman
Ivy Farrell
Cynthia Frank
Samuel Raymond

August 24th

David Johannes
Eric Nelson
Marjorie Poggensee

August 25th

Sydney Fink
Adam Ireland

August 26th

Dawn Cundiff
Rachel Johnson
Tara Seipold

August 28th

Alynn Cory
JoAnn Gohlinghorst

August 30th

Judy Meyer

August 31st

Lee Achtemeier

Anniversaries

August 1st

Dave & Glennda Hedlund
Albert & Cindy Sadowski

August 2nd

Dan & Brenda Wurdeman

August 3rd

Gary & Sharon Morrison

August 7th

Todd & Dawn Cundiff
Ernest & Judith Johnson

August 12th

Tom & Sue Trede

August 15th

Bill & Kathleen Kruse
Don & Michele McKee
Donald & Karen Wittstruck

August 16th

Paul & Jennifer Kyndesen

August 19th

Luke & Jessica Batterman
Christine Dukes
Daniel & Denise Iverson

August 21st

Doug & Jennifer Ferris

August 23rd

Robert & Kathleen Seipold

August 24th

Clarence & Kathleen Meldrum

August 24th

Mark & Erika Harris

August 26th

Rick & Patti Guill



Birthdays

September 1st

Dorothy Jacox
Geno Velasco

September 3rd

Allen Timm
Clayton Timm

September 4th

Don McKee

September 5th

Wendy Storey

September 6th

Lauren Cohrs

September 8th

James Klinge
Olivia Meis
Tracy Riley

September 9th

John Sherrill

September 10th

Ella Cohrs

September 12th

Kathleen Meldrum
Connor Oliver

September 14th

Bryce Nelson

September 15th

James Brown
Steven Cory
Kristian Schultz

September 16th

Mark Heinicke

September 18th

Shirley Gust

September 19th

J. Gordon Christensen
Priscilla Oliver

September 20th

June Feller

September 21st

Giovanni Strong
Melissa Walden

September 23rd

Kara Merksick
Taylor Riley

September 24th

Donald Kadereit
Peter Klinge
Anna Liddick
Derek Stephenson
Wendell Volkens

September 28th

Tommy Knipe Jr

September 30th

Emile True

Anniversaries

September 7th

Kyle & Stephanie Bryson
Steven & Alynn Cory

September 9th

Allen & Marcia Timm
Jay & Leann Wulff

September 11th

Jim & Jane Beno

September 15th

Mark & Jacquelyn Dix

September 16th

Heath & Jennifer Adams

September 19th

Jeff & Ronda Thomas

September 20th

Connor & Mackenzie Oliver
James & Kimberly Schnoor

September 21st

David & Shelly Hansen

September 24

Stephen & Nicole DeLong
Jason & Stacia Olsen

September 30th

Sonny & Bobbie Carter Jr.
Don & Marsha Kadereit

St. Paul's by the Numbers August 2026

St. Paul's Lutheran Church July 2026

Congregational Households	258
Congregational Members	577
Facebook Followers	1,280
Instagram Followers	18
X Followers	11
YouTube Subscribers	252

St. Paul's In Person Attendance and Online Views July 2026

Attendance 8:00	447
Attendance 10:45	309
Seasonal Service Attendance	0
Total In-Person Attendance	756
Sunday Facebook Views	1,682
Sunday YouTube Views	263
Seasonal Facebook Views	0
Seasonal YouTube Views	0
Total Online Views	1,945
Total July 2026	2,701

St. Paul's Lutheran Church July Income & Expense

	July 2026	2026 Year to Date
Income	\$55,200.21	\$357,283.71
Expense	\$42,606.17	\$321,902.60
Income Less Expense	\$12,594.04	\$35,381.11

St. Paul's Music Conservatory July Income & Expense Report

	July 2026	2026 Year to Date
Income	\$2,145.81	\$41,673.88
Expense	\$5,523.00	\$31,106.47
Income Less Expense	\$3,318.15	\$10,567.41

St. Paul's Music Conservatory July

Enrolled Students	66
Facebook Followers	904

St. Paul's by the Numbers August 2026

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center July 2026	
Infant	4
Toddler I	7
Toddler II	8
PS 3	13
PS 4	10
Summer Program K-4	11
Total Students	53
Facebook Followers	164
Instagram Followers	4
X Followers	8

St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center July Income & Expense Summary		
	July 2026	2026 Year to Date
Income	\$48,756.47	\$309,452.33
Expense	\$54,201.79	\$326,433.40
Income Less Expense	\$5,445.32	\$16,981.07
St. Paul's Center July Income & Expense Summary		
	July 2026	2026 Year to Date
Income	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Expense	\$590.43	\$590.43
Income Less Expense	\$590.43	\$4,409.57

St. Paul's Center July 2026	
Facebook Followers	32
Instagram Followers	0

August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
2 9th Sunday After Trinity 8am Divine Worship Service 9:30am Education Hour 10:45am Divine Worship Service	3	4 6am Men's Bible Study 6pm SPLECC / Center Board Meeting @ SP Center	5 10am Stain-Glass Kickoff meeting - Church Lounge
9 10th Sunday After Trinity 8am Divine Worship Service 9:30am Education Hour 10:45am Divine Worship Service 3pm Music Recital – Micah Fusselman	10 Nicholas Heights Reserved	11 Nicholas Heights Reserved CTSFW Cont. Ed. Class	12 Nicholas Heights Reserved CTSFW Cont. Ed. Class
16 11th Sunday After Trinity Nicholas Heights Reserved 8am Divine Worship Service 9:30am Education Hour 10:45am Divine Worship Service	17 Nicholas Heights Reserved	18 6pm SPLECC/SP Center Mtg.	19 6pm Elders Meeting
23 12th Sunday After Trinity Newsletter Articles Due 8am Divine Worship Service 9:30am Education Hour 10:45am Divine Worship Service	24	25	26
30 13th Sunday After Trinity 8am Divine Worship Service 9:30am Education Hour 10:45am Divine Worship Service	31		

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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
		1 9am Men's Bible Study 9am Women's Bible Study	
6 6:30pm High School – College Bible Study	7	8	
13 Nicholas Heights Reserved CTSFW Cont. Ed. Class 8:30am Jubilate Deo Workshop 4pm Music Conservatory Open House 6pm Music Conservatory Dinner 6:30pm High School – College Bible Study 7pm MC Music Recital w Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo	14 Nicholas Heights Reserved CTSFW Cont. Ed. Class	15 Nicholas Heights Reserved 9am Men's Bible Study	
20 Nicholas Heights Reserved 11:30am Women's Bible Study 6pm Church Council 6:30pm High School – College Bible Study	21 Nicholas Heights Reserved	22	
27	28	29	

The St. Paul's Church Calendar is online.

Scan the QR Code to the right or go to the following URL.

<https://stpaulscouncilbluffs.org/calendar/>



Updates on Current Projects at St. Paul's

The St. Paul's Church Council would like to provide an update on all ongoing and completed projects started in 2026.

Stained-Glass Window Project

In April St. Paul's Voters gave approval to proceed with the restoration of all 35 stained-glass windows along with the replacement of the current window coverings. The project was awarded to the Willet Stained Glass Studios of Winona, MN. Initial meetings were held with Willet in May, and a start date was tentatively scheduled for late July or early August of 2026. An appraisal of the stained-glass windows is being performed on Saturday, July 25th by the National Stained Glass Consulting Group. The appraisal will be given to St. Paul's Property Insurance Agent to have the current replacement value updated and policy amounts adjusted accordingly. On Wednesday, August 5th, at 10:00 a.m. an updated kick-off meeting will be held with Willet Stained Glass Studio to discuss the new start date of the project now set at Monday, August 17, 2026. The congregation is invited to attend the meeting

in the Church Lounge. At this meeting we will be asking for a few additional items in the contract reflecting work being done on site, along with the exchange of certificate of insurance, and work to be done, along with meeting the project team from Willet that will be on-site. To date with pledges, donations, and the initial balance in the dedicated stained-glass and window coverings accounts St. Paul's has raised **\$194,438.00** of the **\$396,545.00**. This represents **49%** of the total goal. To date we have paid Willet-Stained Glass a down payment of **\$72,390.00** and **\$2,250.00** to National Stained Glass Consulting Group for the down payment for the appraisal.

If you would like to donate to St. Paul's Stained-Glass Window Capital Campaign, please scan the QR Code to donate online.



Frank St. Garage Roof Replacement

Earlier this spring, a neighbor notified St. Paul's after they moved their wooden fence off the property line there was wood rot damage to the lower part of the roof on the Frank St. garage. A bid was secured and approved by voters to remove the gutters, current shingles, wood sheeting, and rotted collapsed areas of the roof. Work on the roof began and was completed on July 2nd. The paint and installation of the gutters was completed on July 7th. The damaged areas were removed and replaced with new bracing, along with complete new wood roof decking, rubber membrane, and shingles. The new fascia on the east side was primed and painted and new gutters and downspouts were installed on both sides of the garage. The total cost of the Frank St. Garage project was \$8,308.00. This was \$600.00 over the Voter approved amount of \$7,700.00. The difference was for the new gutters and paint of the fascia boards. The additional \$600.00 was processed through the St. Paul's Facilities and Maintenance budget.

Before and After Pictures of Frank St. Garage Repair.



St. Paul's Center Update

At the 2026 Annual Meeting St. Paul's Voter's directed the Church Council, and SPLECC Board to create a separate entity since named The St. Paul's Center or St. Paul's Center. St. Paul's Center would assume control of the facility and establish additional community programs, while St. Paul's Lutheran Early Childhood Center would focus solely on child care and development of students. Other Programs such as the Summer Program, Art, Tutoring, Counseling, Home School Groups, Parents Night Out would be supported through St. Paul's Center. New accounting and financial accounts were created for The St. Paul's Center. St. Paul's Lutheran Church moved \$5,000.00 from the Church General Fund to SPC. Over the last three months, facility expenses have been slowly transferred from SPLECC to SPC. A new website, and social media pages were created for SPC. Pastor Sherrill has spent the Summer at SPC to work with the SPLECC staff and to coordinate activities at SPC. Several of those program included Camp Creation I & II, the Summer Program, the initial year of Art for All lead by Art Instructor Mr. Paul High Horse, and tutoring with Isaiah Lusajo.

There are many more changes coming at St. Paul's Center in the coming months. We are going to be hosting a Grand Re-opening Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in conjunction with our 3rd annual Oktober-Fun-Fest to celebrate

St. Paul's Center on Saturday, September 26th, from 3:00pm to 7:00pm.

The 2026-2027 SPLECC School year begins Tuesday, September 8th.

Art for All Fall-session art classes, along with Fall tutoring sessions are in the final discussion stages on the types of Art Classes and times to be held.

The new Parents Night Out Program will begin in late September.

There are other changes coming to both the St. Paul's Center and Early Childhood Center that we will be rolling out just in time for the start of the school year. We will be announcing those changes over the next three weeks so stay tuned.

Bat Remediation at St. Paul's

At the April 12, 2026, Special Voter's Meeting, Voters gave approval for Heartland Humane Bat Removal to prevent bats from entering in to St. Paul's. Over the past four months Travis, from HHBR, has been working on preventing the bats from entering, by sealing up areas around the Church. As of late July there has been almost no bat "droppings" in the Altar and Chancel area. We are scheduled for another inspection on July 31st. We are hoping at this point the bat issue has been resolved. We are hoping to have a final report on this in August for the September edition of The Word.

Faithful Preaching and Faithful Hearing: Homiletics for Pastors and Laity



St. Paul's will once again host this years CTSFW Continuing Education Class sponsored by the Council Bluffs Circuit of Iowa District West.

This years class **"Faithful Preaching and Faithful Hearing: Homiletics for Pastors and Laity"** runs from Tuesday, August 11th - Friday August 14th. Coffee, juice, donuts, and fruit are served each morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. Class begins each morning with Matins at 8:30 a.m. with lunch served by the St. Paul's Hospitality Team. Classes end each day around 4:00 p.m., except for Friday which ends at noon with a farewell luncheon.

The class is being taught by Rev. Dr. Carl Fickenscher, Professor of Pastoral Ministry and Missions at CTSFW since 1999. The description of the class is as follows:
"Homiletics can often be a one-sided affair. Pastors gather together and study what it means to preach. But pastors who practice preaching without listening to lay hearers are only "preaching to the choir" or "preaching to the pastor," as the case may be! In order to be most effective in preaching, pastors must be constantly mindful of their audience. In order to be faithful in our hearing, the audience should know something of the goals of preaching.

This class will take advantage of the presence of both pastors and laity in order to study the homiletical task together with the goal of becoming better preachers and better hearers. A note to elders: This would be a wonderful class for congregational elders to attend with their pastors that they may all learn together!"

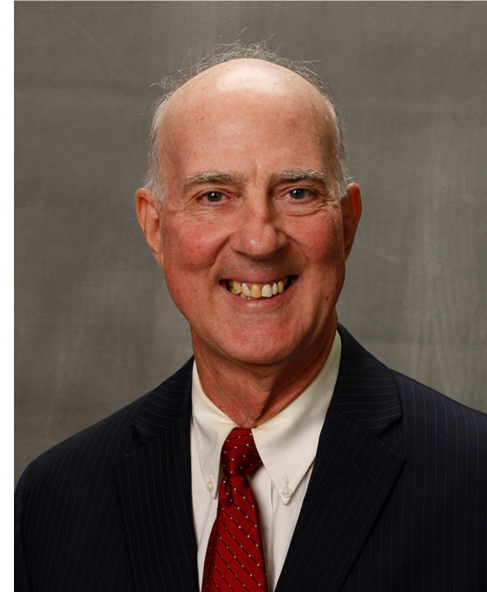
On Thursday evening, August 13th, class attendees are invited to a Dinner hosted by the St. Paul's Music Conservatory from 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. followed by a recital by CUNE Professor Dr. Elizabeth Grimpou, in the Church Sanctuary.

Scan the QR code today to register for this years CTSFW Continuing Education Course.



If you have any questions regarding the course, please contact the Church Office at 712-322-4729. We look forward to seeing you August 11th - 14th.

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Rev. Dr. Carl Fickenscher,
Professor of Pastoral Ministry
and Missions at CTSFW

Continuing Ed. Class Schedule

Tuesday, August 11th

8:30 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Class Starts
Noon Lunch
4:00 p.m. Class Concludes

Wednesday, August 12th

8:30 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Class Starts
Noon Lunch
4:00 p.m. Class Concludes

Thursday, August 13th

8:30 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Class Starts
Noon Lunch
4:00 p.m. Class Concludes

Friday, August 14th

8:30 a.m. Matins
9:00 a.m. Class Starts
Noon Farewell Luncheon