

# *The Chimes*

*July/August 2023*



## *Sunday Worship*

*10:00 am Worship service  
(also livestreamed)*

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## AUGSBURG-FORTRESS CLINIC HYMN FEST RETURNS TO ST. PAUL'S ON AUGUST 10

Please join us on August 10, Thursday evening, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary at St. Paul's for a hymn-fest with the participants and clinicians of the Augsburg-Fortress choral clinic.

The Hymn fest is titled "From the Heights of New Creation: A Hymn Festival Celebrating All the Saints," and will be led by conductor Anne Krentz Organ and organist Dr. Karen Black. **Anne Krentz Organ** is a composer and church musician serving as the Director of Music Ministries at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Park Ridge, IL. Along with worship planning and service playing, she oversees the choral and instrumental music program including adult and youth choirs, a handbell choir, and a variety of instrumental ensembles.

**Organist Dr. Karen Black** is the Rudi Inselmann Endowed Professor of Organ at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa. She teaches organ and church music, music theory and aural skills; serves as organist for chapel services; conducts the Kantorei choral ensemble, and the Handbell Choir.

The congregation will be made up of church musicians from throughout the area, and all are welcome to come.

Please join us for this special event at St. Paul's on Thursday, August 10, at 7:00 pm.

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**Chimes publication  
information**

The Chimes, the newsletter of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, is published for the inspiration, education and entertainment of its members and friends. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Just mail, e-mail or deliver them to the church office.

The next issue of The Chimes will be published on Thursday, August 31.  
Your articles are due in the office no later than Thursday, August 24.

# Pastor's Letter

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Dear siblings in Christ,

I've always enjoyed the change of pace that comes with summer. I'm sure it must be different for everyone, and I know those with school-aged children may not find summer relaxing at all! But around the church, summer moves a little slower. There are fewer emails, fewer phone calls.

What we call the "Program Year"—the months with most of our activities happening--concludes with Vacation Bible School in June and doesn't start again until Rally Day in September. In our liturgical life, the "Festival Half" of the year runs from Advent in late November through the seasons of Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter, and finishes up on Pentecost, sometime in late May or early June. Then we begin our long journey through the green season of summer.

If I'm making it seem boring, I don't mean to. As I said, I enjoy this change of pace. It's a good reminder that we're not meant to always be doing, always be going from one thing to next, always be busy. It's okay—in fact, it's needed—to take it slow sometimes. To simply be.

In our confirmation curriculum, we learn about the "gift" of Sabbath. God's instructions to the people to rest for one day a week weren't meant to be legalistic, difficult to deal with demands. They were meant as a gift, a reminder that we need rest. That we don't have to earn it, and yet we deserve it anyway. That time for renewal and rejuvenation is part of being fully human.

Our culture doesn't honor this need the way it should, and rest has unfortunately become both a privilege unattainable by many and a commodity to be bought and sold. Sabbath doesn't have to come as part of a wellness trend, but it can be hard to find for many, especially those working paycheck to paycheck, those without adequate childcare, those caring for aging parents or partners. Rest is often not easy.

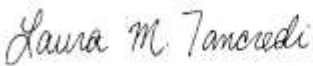
But however rest comes in our lives—in long vacations, or short quiet moments in the midst of busy days, or in slow summers—may we welcome it as a gift from our Creator, who modeled Sabbath for us.

Perhaps, if you have a few moments now to rest, you'll join me in contemplating one of my favorite poems, "The Summer Day," by Mary Oliver.

Who made the world?  
Who made the swan, and the black bear?  
Who made the grasshopper?  
This grasshopper, I mean —  
the one who has flung herself out of the grass,  
the one who is eating sugar out of my hand,  
who is moving her jaws back and forth instead of up and down —  
who is gazing around with her enormous and complicated eyes.  
Now she lifts her pale forearms and thoroughly washes her face.  
Now she snaps her wings open, and floats away.  
I don't know exactly what a prayer is.  
I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down  
into the grass, how to kneel down in the grass,  
how to be idle and blessed, how to stroll through the fields,  
which is what I have been doing all day.  
Tell me, what else should I have done?  
Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?  
Tell me, what is it you plan to do  
with your one wild and precious life?

+ Mary Oliver

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura M. Tancredi". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and personal.

Pastor Laura

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## Prayers

**Please pray for our men and women in the armed services**, Shane Boston, Army, (son of Kim Boston); Sean Hopkins (son of Terry Hopkins).

**Prayers are also requested for:** Miranda Bagnet (friend of Beth McElvenney); Tina Brady (friend of Dottie Buchanan); Dottie Buchanan, Charlotte Conybear, Carl DellaBadia (brother-in-law of Judi DellaBadia); Mary Devereaux (niece of Boofie Younkin); Diane Duane (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Daniel Dry Sr., (father of Dan Dry); Theresa Dry (sister of Dan Dry); Bill Egan (friend of Bob Burns); Jo Fenstermacher (cousin of Bob Burns); Pat Fenstermacher (cousin of Bob Burns); Sandy Foote (friend of Sandy Farina); Gunda Grabowski (aunt of Mark Muller); Jim Kamerdze (cousin of Bob Burns); Tom Keyser, Kathleen Martini (friend of Laurie DeWarf); Stephanie McClay (friend of Belle Miller); Lynda McNab, Irma Payan, Kris Peterson, Walter Proschinger (brother of Christa Scheidly); Allie Puccio (friend of Judi DellaBadia); Johnathan Richards (friend of Pastor Tim); Claire Robinson; Bob Rogers (brother of Lynda McNab); Scott Ruehr, Dorothy Schulz (sister of Carol Hammarberg); Skylar Seeley (friend of Spencer Schumacher); Bill Stoll (friend of Melissa Krissinger); Lily Walker (friend of Sarah Krissinger); Joel Wilkins (friend of Louise Pierce); Alyson (cousin of Jane Downing); Bart (brother of Gail Feustel); Jenn Phelps, Betty (aunt of Liz Cassidy) and Colleen (friend of Mark Muller).

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## Baptisms

**Peter Kenneth Simmons**, son of David and Kristen Simmons was baptized on June 11.

**Harrison Merrill Heller**, son of Brian Heller and Ashley Hobart was baptized on July 2.

**Weekly Garden Harvesting  
Sundays following worship  
All volunteers welcome!**

## ***July Birthdays***

- 2 Ryan Clifford, Maurin O'Neill  
4 Christa Scheidly  
7 Gordon Downing, Gwen Lieb, Sara Spengler  
8 Caroline Brophy, Linda Van Horn, Allison Wilkes  
9 Aileana Barron, Reid Iverson  
12 Elissa Iverson, Helena Koerner, Robert McElwee  
13 Ryan Baxter, Zoey Joyce, Carl June, Waneta Peart  
14 Susan Bode  
16 Laurie DeWarf  
17 Roy Erickson, Terry Hopkins, Jamie Mills, Kassy O'Neill, Kylie Stetler  
18 Sarah Schumacher  
19 Tim Ness, Maryann Schimpff, Steven Talley  
20 Linda Bailey, Joan Talley  
24 Bob Burns, Bill Fry  
25 Helene Roth  
27 Brandon Foust, Stephenie Yeung  
28 Emily Miller  
31 Sofia Norquist



**Fall Garden Planting**  
Sunday, August 20  
Following Worship

## August Birthdays

- 1 Lisa Tintera
- 2 John Curtis, Jayleb D'Antonio
- 4 Sandy Groff, Josephine Norquist
- 5 Lindsay Cannon, Dan Joseph, Andrew Roth
- 6 Frances Wilson
- 7 Anastasia Groff, Bill Miles, Annika Storey Julianne Wagner
- 9 Belle Miller, Jake Riggs
- 11 Tom Keyser, Mara Penne
- 12 Robert Allman, Joan Swan
- 15 Jason Baxter, Laura Erickson, Ava Jacobsen
- 16 Natalie Carstens
- 17 Mary Ayres
- 18 Harry Kaufman
- 19 Gus Johnson, Gail Ruehr, Molly Schimpff, Toni Whaley
- 20 Mary Lynn Kennedy, Robert Pavlenco
- 21 Liz Marren, Kate Trombello
- 22 Cynthia Chester
- 23 Cole D'Antonio, Lyn Sander
- 24 Dane Hopkins, Evaline Vickrey
- 25 Kevin Clouse, Caroline O'Mara, Colin Soung
- 27 Analiese Gale, Alexander Hampson, Bill Lukasiewicz, Killian Riggs
- 28 Andrew O'Mara, Elisabeth Wagner
- 31 Owen DeLar, Amanda Ertner, Emily Hampson, Chase Iverson



**Red Cross Blood Drive**  
**Monday, August 21**  
**1:00 – 6:00 pm**

Sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) search sponsor code:  
StPaulArdmore, or contact  
Christina Wagner at  
[cmwagner97@gmail.com](mailto:cmwagner97@gmail.com)



We had a great week of Vacation Bible School! We collected \$610.00 for the Ardmore Food Pantry and had lots of fun!











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