



Pentecost 2023

Tuesday May 30, 2023

Here are a few updates from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Hamilton, MT:

Summer Book Study. Starts this coming Monday. Join Rev. Gretchen, Kathy Milne and Terry Moran this summer to read and reflect on Henri Nouwen's book, *Life of the Beloved: Spiritual Living in a Secular World*. We'll meet every other week on Monday at 2 pm to discuss the book. Meeting days: **June 5 (discuss pgs. 1-39)**, June 19 (discuss pgs. 43-66), July 3 (discuss pgs. 67-84), July 17 (discuss pgs. 85-103), July 31 (discuss pgs. 105-125) and August 14 (discuss pgs. 129-139), and August 28 (discuss pgs. 141-149).

Yard Sale Fundraiser is scheduled for **Saturday June 10th from 9 to 1pm**. Plan to price your items at home and to "man" your own table here at church. We'll have one central table for check-out. All proceeds will go to St. Paul's for church operating costs. Tables will be set up in the side yard. A volunteer crew will be at the church by 8:30 am

that morning to assist with unloading yard sale items. Snacks and drinks will be on hand for all volunteers. We are in need of shopping bags for the yard sale. Please bring plastic or paper grocery bags for our yard sale shoppers to use. If you would like to participate but have fewer than 5 items to sell or you can not attend on June 10th but would like to donate things please contact Tom Schmit at 406-381-6300. If you have a large item you would like to donate (i.e. furniture) contact Rev. Gretchen and she can help you set up an online sale of the item to avoid hauling it to the church.

Canopy. Has anyone seen the church's canopy recently? We can't seem to find it. If you know where it is please contact Rev. Gretchen 406-529-5581.

Learn about Paul's recent service project in Mexico. Join us on Sunday June 11th after worship to learn about what the bars of soap you purchased helped to fund. Come hear the stories, watch the short video the group produced and share some food!

Diversity Service. June is Pride month and once again we are collaborating with other churches in the valley to co-sponsor the Diversity Service. This year it will be held at Faith Lutheran Church, 171 Lewis Lane, on Monday June 12th at 7 pm. It will be followed by a reception. The co-sponsoring churches are: Stevensville UMC, Corvallis UMC, St. Paul's and Faith Lutheran.

Vacation Bible School. St. Paul's is collaborating once again with First Presbyterian, Faith Lutheran, and Corvallis United Methodist to host VBS, happening July 10-14, at First Presbyterian Church. We are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen, and in the craft room. We also need volunteers to donate cookies. Contact Rev. Gretchen [here](#) if you are interested in helping. VBS is from 9:00 to 1:30 Monday through Friday and is for children entering 1st through 6th grade. A pre-school program for 4 and 5 year olds will run concurrently and their day ends at 11 am.

May Clean Up Day. A huge thank you to everyone who helped spruce up the church on clean up day! It looks great!

Office Volunteer! A huge thank you to Deb Andrews who is our new office volunteer. She will be creating the service bulletins! Bravo Deb. Thank you!

Need to borrow. Do you have a 12' ladder? The church would like to borrow it. Please contact Paul Nelson (406-360-2555).

Bobbie Weyl (Wendy Raynal's mother) has moved. You can send her a note or drop by and see her at Beehive Senior Living, 842 New York Ave #7, Hamilton, MT.

Prayer List. Our prayer list at church will be refreshed each month. If you would like to have someone on the list please contact Alana (406-381-3534) or write your request in the orange book by the front doors of the church in the narthex.

Vestry Meeting. The next Vestry Meeting is Monday June 26 at 10:00 am. Find the minutes of our April meeting [here](#)

Stewardship Meeting. Our next stewardship meeting is Monday June 19th at 4 pm.

Prayer Ministries:

Healing Prayer is offered in the *Prayer Corner* following Communion and the last hymn.

Centering Prayer in person is held every Wednesday at 11:00 am in the Guild House (207 W. Desmet Street). If you are new to Centering Prayer, contact Kathy Milne (425-466-3934) with questions or for instruction. We would love to have you join us.

Rev. Gretchen's Schedule: She is in Hamilton EVERY Monday and every other Sunday. She does St. Paul's work remotely on Tuesdays.

Rev. Gretchen will lead Holy Eucharist on the following Sundays: June 11, June 25.

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