

A Newsletter of The Cathedral Church of St. Paul The Very Rev. Fr. Troy C. Beecham, Dean

OCTOBER 2018

You Won't Want to Miss Any of This!

You are invited to two special events for our 25th Anniversary of Being a Cathedral.

November 3, 2018

The Rev. Canon Gary Hall, former Dean of the National Cathedral, will lead with a lecture and panel discussion "What it Means to be a Cathedral" followed by a reception.

As a part of the continuing celebration of The Cathedral Church of St. Paul's 25th Anniversary as a Cathedral Church, the Rev. Canon and Interim Rector Gary Hall, of Trinity Church, Santa Barbara, Calif., has been invited by the Episcopal Diocese of Iowa to participate in several events. He is also being sponsored by Growing Iowa Leaders: Called, Fed, and Sent.

Over the years, the Rev. Canon Hall has spoken and written much about what it means to be a Cathedral Church. Visit anglicantheologicalreview.org/ <u>static/pdf/articles/hall.pdf</u> to read Dean Hall's article, "The Purpose of Cathedrals," which appeared in "The Anglican Theological Review".

Highlights of the Rev. Canon Hall's visit to Des Moines include:

On Nov. 3, the Rev. Canon Hall will conduct two sessions at the Cathedral, which will feature several invited panelists. The event will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with a provided lunch.

Luncheon reservations for November 3 can be made at <u>Cathedralchurchofstpaul.org</u> or by calling (515) 288-7297. Deadline for a luncheon reservation is October 31, 2018.

On Nov. 4 (All Saints Day), the 8 a.m. service will be Holy Eucharist-only. Following the service, from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m., The Rev. Canon Hall will conduct a special class on "Being a Cathedral." He then will deliver the sermon at 10 a.m. service, which includes Faure Requiem.

The Very Reverend Gary R. Hall has been an ordained minister for more than 35 years. He was born in Los

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Angeles and holds an A.B. from UC-Berkeley and a Ph.D. from UCLA, in addition to his M.Div. from Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, MA.

He has served parishes in California, Massachusetts, Michigan, and Pennsylvania, and he taught Anglican theology and polity at Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, the Episcopal Theological School at Claremont, CA, and Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL, where he also served as Dean and President, From

2012 to 2015 he was the Dean of the Washington National Cathedral in Washington, DC.

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From the Dean

I'm writing on the first day of Autumn. It seems impossible. How could the Summer have gone by so quickly?

This past Summer brought some momentous changes to St. Paul's, some of them not easy or happy. Even so, the ministry of our faith community continues. It must continue. Why do I say 'must'? Because of the needs of our downtown community, which are many and deep. Our homeless and destitute neighbors need a stable and welcoming place where they may find rest, community, and nourishment. Those living with addiction need a safe and consistent place where they may gather to find support and help. Because of the need that all of us have, to worship the Lord together, to have a place where we may gather as one body to lift our hearts and voices in praise, and where we may encounter the Lord in a way that transforms our lives through an encounter with the Holy Spirit and the Risen Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Because of the increasing numbers of visitors who are seeking a place of belonging, refuge, and hope.

The Lord has given us all a vocation: to serve him and his people, to preach the gospel to all people, and to make disciples of all people through beautiful, meaningful worship and opportunities for growing in the Faith through teaching and learning opportunities. As the cathedral, we also have a special vocation in our downtown community, to be a place where those who are not yet part of the Body of Christ through baptism, and those who belong to other Christian traditions, may encounter the Lord, perhaps through our ongoing arts programs and increasing participation in the downtown community through annual events such as our very successful first time participation in Des Moines Art Week as an exhibition space.

We have already begun, and will continue, to discern just what it means to be the cathedral, and who the Lord is calling us to be and to welcome in the downtown community. I do hope that you are all planning to attend the several events planned for this Autumn, including diocesan worship this October at the cathedral, our panel discussions with the Rev'd. Canon Gary Hall, formerly the Dean of the National Cathedral, in early November, and our grand celebration of 25 years as the Diocesan Cathedral mid-November.



God has plans for St. Paul's, for each and every one of us, and it takes all of us giving our best, and our all, so that the lost may be found, the hungry fed, the despairing find hope, and all may come to know the wondrous love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. I have absolute confidence in the Lord, giving us his Holy Spirit to empower us, and I have absolute confidence that we already have, in each other, all that we need to live into this wonderful calling if we will each give our best, our all.

l remain yours, in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Troy+

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November 18, 2018

Worship and party celebrating 25 years as the Liturgical Cathedral of the Diocese of Iowa.

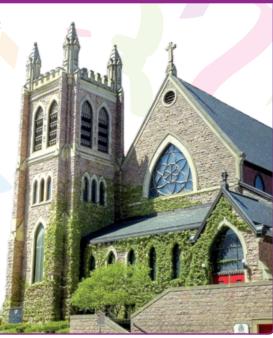
On Oct, 23, 1993 --- 25 years ago -- the-then 139-year-old downtown Des Moines parish of St. Paul's Episcopal Church became The Cathedral Church of St. Paul. St. Paul's will celebrate the great honor of having been named the Liturgical Cathedral for the Diocese of Iowa on Sunday Nov. 18.

It will be a magnificent celebration with Diocesan Bishop Alan Scarf presiding and with Bishop Christopher Epting, who served the Diocese at the time, as a liturgical participant. A musical tribute, composed by Cathedral organist Mark Babcock, will be presented as a new choral work.

Joyful pageantry will highlight the beauty of the ancient and welcoming Eucharist service at 10 a.m. on Nov. 18. Note ---there will only be one service.

Everyone is invited to participate in this special occasion. Following the service, the celebration will continue with a party in the Undercroft.

You won't want to miss this celebratory event. So mark your calendars now for a very special day of joyful praise and gladness.





166th Annual Diocesan Convention

Friday October 26–Sunday October 28

We invite you to join us for the 2018 Diocesan Convention! The convention is free to visitors and you can choose to pay only for the meals you wish to eat. Attend the sessions which are of interest to you. There will be three chances to Worship:

7:00 PM – Friday Eucharist at St. Paul's

4:00 PM – Saturday Evensong at St. Paul's

11:00 AM – Sunday Eucharist at the Downtown Marriott, with the Presiding Bishop Michael Curry giving the Homily

For more information and to register, visit <u>www.dioiowa.org/convention</u>.

Consider volunteering to welcome people at the Cathedral or the Marriott on Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. Sign up to volunteer by visiting the event page on our website!

Cathedral Arts



Our 2018–2019 Cathedral Arts Series has begun! But there's more: Cathedral Arts Patron Party, Sunday 7 October 3–5pm

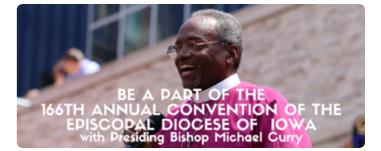
Mark Babcock and Tony's Braida's Home, 1804 28th St. Des Moines, IA 50310

Festive refreshments and live harp entertainment by Kris DeWild

Opportunity to hear about the exciting season ahead and support financially

RSVP by Friday 5 October by calling the Cathedral Office (515-288-7297).

Our next Choral Evensong will be Sunday, October 14 at 4:00 pm. Sung by the Howells Scholars, the service includes "The Harvard Service" by Charles Callahan.



Convention Schedule

Friday, October 26 (at Cathedral Church of St. Paul)			
1:30рм	Clergy Registration		
2:00-5:00рм	Clergy Only Gathering		
4:00рм	Early Registration for ALL		
5:00-6:30рм	Dinner (Ticketed)		
7:00рм	Gathering Eucharist, Presiding Bishop Curry Celebrates		
Saturday, October 27 (at Marriott)			
7:30ам	Registration open		
8:00ам	Exhibits open		
8:00ам	Breakfast (Ticketed)		
9:00ам	Plenary One		
11:00ам	Plenary Two Bishop Scarfe's Address		
1:00рм	Lunch available		
2:00рм	Plenary Three Presiding Bishop's Address		
4:00рм	Evensong at Cathedral Church of St. Paul		
5:00рм	Diocesan Choir practice at Marriott		
5:30рм	Social Time (Marriott)		
6:00рм	Welcome		
6:15рм	Question & Response with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry		
7:00рм	Buffet dinner		
Sunday, October 28 (at Marriott)			
7:00 AM	Breakfast available		
8:30ам	Plenary Four		
11:00 ам	Sending Eucharist, Presiding Bishop Curry preaches (live streamed to all churches in Episcopal Diocese of Iowa)		
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Stories of the People of St. Paul's

was brought to St. Paul's by two forces, both turning out to have a great influence on my life. A love of God had been instilled in me as a Lutheran lad who grew up in Des Moines. And secondly was the love Cindy Morton had for St. Paul's and shared with me.

I began, in 2008, to attend services as Cindy indicated it was going to be "one of many conditions" she had for her new soul mate. I remember the first visits and the wonderful welcome I received from Rev. Cathleen (Bascom), John Doherty and so many of the parish. (Of course, I was sure that, most simply, they wanted to know who this guy was that was coming to church with Cindy.)

I knew how much St. Paul's meant to Cindy as a place of community and her many great memories of raising Alex and all the wonderful events that occurred as he grew in faith. From baptism to adulthood, this truly was the answer to Cindy's prayers when, in 1986, a spiritual home was sought where Alex could be raised. And, of course, there was the warm welcome you showed to her Mother and Father. In recent years, Mary Jane always felt the love of many of you, and the spirit of God's love when she entered the Cathedral.

In 2008, I was immediately impressed by the wonderful worship service that allowed such a personal relationship with the Lord. However, the parish "won me over" by the respect you showed to Cindy in allowing her to serve you in so many ways. Her service to St. Paul's was one that she truly loved and you honored her by allowing her to serve the Lord. I knew, as you did, how talented she was and how much she loved to serve others.

We were blessed on Dec. 22, 2015, to be married by Father Troy, a day that will be remembered by the image of a blessed guest, shown in sunlight near the altar. We, of course, have been blessed by so many of you in the past year as we traveled the path

that the Lord had chosen for Cindy

and our family. As many of you witnessed, Cindy had a strong faith, which was demonstrated in so many ways. Cindy once wrote to me "of her strong sense of looking for Jesus' presence in all and how we who are now living must carry the load." Throughout our journey the past few years we accepted the call in Matthew 11: 28-30

"To come to him who are heavy laden... to take my yoke upon you and learn of me... and you shall find rest unto your souls."

This message was given to us twice in the Gospel readings on two special Sundays when we needed to hear these words most of all. It served us well and remained a touchstone for our faith.

While the sudden call the Lord had made to her to come to him was astonishing to all of us, Cindy's total acceptance reflected her love of the Lord. The Lord was generous by giving us a brief time to accept his plans.

As we prepared for the Lord's final call to Cindy, we discussed what message she wanted to leave with those of us left with her memory. The thoughts were simple but will guide us forever. Cindy's hopes were that each of us would:

- 1. Love all around you, more than you have before, and
- 2. Enjoy the beauty of God's wonders, and
- 3. Serve, however possible, those in need.

In St. Paul's I find these thoughts are present in so many ways, and it is a source of strength.

Story Submitted by **Rich Jacobs**

Outreach Update

Because of your generosity, St. Paul's has given to the following:

- 2 Full Scholarships for Prison Ministry at Anamosa State Prison
- Education for Ministry \$320.00
- 3 Scholarships and transportation for EPIC summer camp \$600.00
- Connections Cafe \$200.00
- Central Iowa Shelter \$100.00
- Y Supportive Housing \$250.00
- DMARC Food Pantry \$100.00
- Purchased DART Bus tokens \$175.00
- Eastern Iowa Community Bond Project \$383.00
- Bus Fare to lowa City for Medical Treatment \$20.00
- Cell Phone and Minutes Purchase \$25.00 (So a person could report to their parole officer)
- Replacements of SS card and Permanent Resident Status Card \$20

Thank you! Many people are blessed by your offerings to our Social Ministries.



Annual Stewardship Appeal Kicks Off October 14th

The theme if this year's campaign is "In Support Of Our Growth". Five short years ago an appropriate theme may have been servicing our debt but much has changed at St. Paul's in recent years. The establishment of The Cathedral Preservation Fund, growth in the number of pledging members, two consecutive years of increase in the total amount pledged, the kitchen remodel and the soon to be completed Guild Hall refurbishing project. All in all there is much to be grateful for at St Paul's.

I recently found myself thinking about why do I give to St. Paul's? There are plenty of references in the Bible about the generosity of our God. However, part of my answer is that giving is my response to God's grace and mercy, because God always gives. It is also because people in my life showed me the privilege of giving and generosity in action.

It Began With My Parents

Growing up, on Sunday mornings we would attend St. Pius X Catholic Church in

Urbandale. Before leaving for church my dad would get out the box of envelopes and pick out the one for the current date. The envelopes were printed with a number that meant the envelope was theirs. The check was written and placed in the envelope. Then it was off to church. When the plate was passed the envelope was given. Clearly, at a young age, I didn't understand tithing or stewardship yet. But watching them give week after week made giving seem like a privilege. I still feel that way.

Lessons In Giving

Having witnessed my parents giving year after year, I saw that one of the responsibilities as a member of the Christian community was to give from what we had been given. To this day, I witness the work of the church as we care for the homeless in our community, welcome new members, baptize newborns, listen to our magnificent choral programs and look at our lovely building and grounds.

I give because of God's grace and the experience of seeing what happens when you give what you can. I give because it is a privilege to share what has been given to me. I give because loving your neighbor includes generosity in action. I give because God always gives. I invite all members of St. Paul's, new and old alike, to participate in the 2019 Annual Stewardship Campaign. When you make a pledge you support every member and ministry of St. Paul's. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Rick Stearns, Stewardship Chairman Matt Petty, Stewardship Co-Chair

October Outreach Opportunities

We need more volunteers with Connection Cafe, Central lowa Shelter & Services, Des Moines Area Religious Council Food Pantry, and the Lovejoy Elementary School Food Pantry. Watch for the monthly sign up sheets at church and on our website. If coordination or organization of these ministries are of interest to you, please visit with Deacon John, call or email him for more information. These ministries do not last without member involvement.

Loving the Neighbor

I began attending meetings of the Outreach Action Committee last year for its study of sanctuary and the U.S. immigration system because my inclination is to sympathize with people who have been so desperate to escape violence and danger at home that they were willing to risk everything to get to the U.S. and try to establish themselves here. However, by attending the meetings, I learned that immigration is a lot more complicated than I realized.

It involves a broad swath of issues, from U.S. foreign policy going back a half century or more to an immigration system so complex hardly anyone understands it, to America's increasing urbanization, leaving rural areas desperate for workers. I was surprised to learn that many (about 40 percent) of the undocumented immigrants in the US are people who have simply overstayed their Visas and that the number of unauthorized persons apprehended at the Southwest border has declined by 81.5 percent since 2000.

In the current climate of fear and polarization, we as Christians need to adhere to the mandate to love our neighbor as ourselves. The vast majority of people being apprehended, held in detention, and deported are children, brothers, sisters, parents, husbands, wives--people who want what anyone wants—to live in safety, to work and get an education and take care of their families. At St. Paul's, we don't have the personal relationships that would allow us to work effectively with the immigrant community, but there are churches and organizations that do. I would hope we would support them (for example, Walnut Creek Church and Justice for Our Neighbors) in their efforts to provide compassionate assistance as needed.

Submitted by Vicki Ingham

Name Tags Now Available!

Name Tags are now available outside Guild Hall. Wear them for church or meetings. It helps us get to know one another and welcome guests.



Des Moines Hunger Hike

Join us at 1:30 pm on October 14, 2018, for the 50th Hunger Hike Jubilee at the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates, 100 Locust St. (Riverside entrance). This year's route is approximately 3 miles, with much of the Hike along the Principal Riverwalk. Following the hike, enjoy live music by local performers, cold drinks and snacks, as well as the opportunity to tour the Hall of Laureates. Let's walk as a church!



The Des Moines Area Hunger Hike serves as a visible witness to the concern about hunger, both locally and globally. Hundreds of people of all ages, a coalition of institutions, organizations, denominations, and faiths will gather to walk the 3 mile hike.

This year will be our 50th Hike! If you have ever hiked with us before, we want to see you again!

New to the hike? This is a great year to walk since it's our 50th Jubilee!

JOIN US!

Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 1:30pm World Food Prize Hall of Laureates 100 Locust St. (riverside entrance) Des Moines, Iowa 50309 How to Participate:

Donation Packets ideal for large groups Request a packet by emailing info@desmoineshungerhike.org and begin collecting donations.

> Online Donation perfect for anytime giving Simply donate online at desmoineshungerhike.org

We hope you will join us for our 50th hike!

November Is a Musical Feast!

Sunday, November 4 – 10am Requiem by Gabriel Faure Cathedral Choir and Chamber Orchestra

Sunday, November 11 – 10am Festival Choral Eucharist Central College 60-voice A Cappella Choir

Sunday, November 18 – 10am Festival Choral Eucharist Celebrating 25 Years at the Cathedral Special Commissioned Choral and Organ Composition Premier

Plan to be present every Sunday. Bring your family, friends, neighbors,

and co-workers to experience the musical riches of the Cathedral that point us toward God's abundant love, joy, and peace.





LET'S Celebrate

HAPPY BIRTHDAY October Folks!

Judy Svengalis, Oct. 1 Melanie Scupham, Oct. 6 Barbara Hein, Oct. 9 Julie Linn, Oct. 10 Nancy Geiger, Oct. 12 Bruce Carr, Oct. 17 Tracy Wheeler, Oct. 18 Ben Allaway, Oct. 19 Doug Hein, Oct. 19 Sue Svenson, Oct. 21 Hulbert Bannister, Oct. 28 Jessica Rowe, Oct. 29

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to

11th Anniversary of The Rev. Canon Deacon John's Doherty's Ordination, Oct. 7 Jim and Jill Ferguson, Oct. 19

Diane Hayes and Tom Creviston, Oct. 31

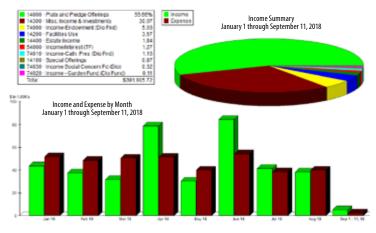
Would you like your birthday or anniversary included in the Journey? Please contact the Cathedral Office (515–288–7297) or visit <u>http://www.cathedralchurchofstpaul.org/about-us/contact-us/</u>



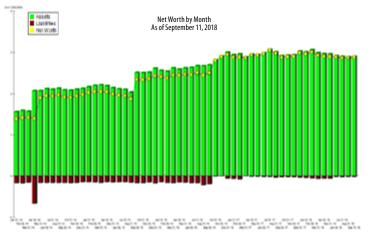
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Finance Update

So where are we in the big picture? This is a multi-year look at our net worth!



Income and expenses are generally following budgeted amounts. As per budget, we have been drawing from special gifts to support the 2018 budget. 2019 will not have this advantageous situation. Additional gifts and 2019 stewardship increases will be necessary.



The complete set of Financial Statements and the Treasurers Report for the Chapter is posted on the Chapter Bulletin Board.

If you have any			
questions, contact			
Jill Southworth,			
Treasurer, or			
Tracey Kolesar,			
Bookkeeper.			

Revenue and Expense January to Sept 11th 2018	2018 Actual	2018 Budgeted
Total Pledges	\$198,306	\$212,741
Total Revenue	\$391,905	\$358,958
Total Expense	\$373,578	\$364,401
Net Gain/Loss	\$18,327	-\$5,442

GIVE ONLINE, IT IS EASY.

Do it once or you can set up reoccurring gifts. Print a record of your giving anytime. No cash, no check book? No problem. You can text 515-207-8133 to give to the church. If you need to update or change your information, call the Cathedral Office (515-288-7297).

Safe and Secure Online Giving Now Available!

We now offer safe and secure online giving on our website. Credit and debit cards are accepted. You can set up an account or quick give. An account allows you to set up a donation schedule and/or track your donations. Quick giving allows you to bypass this step. You may choose to give to our general budget, to the Cathedral Preservation Fund, or Cathedral Arts.

St. Paul's Offers Text Giving!

You can automatically give by texting the amount you wish to donate to this number: **515-207-8133**.

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The Journey is published 11 times a year, usually on the third Thursday of the month to reach homes by the first of the following month. Your articles, news, photos are welcome!!

The deadline for the November issue will be Monday, October 15.

Please email to administrator@cathedralchurchofstpaul.org Or bring to the Cathedral Office.



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