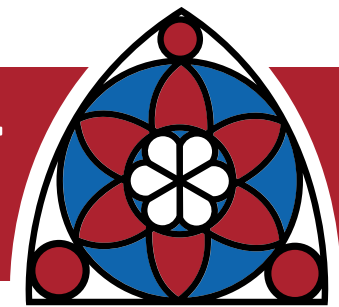


# THE JOURNEY



*A Newsletter of The Cathedral Church of St. Paul*

*The Very Rev. Fr. Troy C. Beecham, Dean*

MAY 2019

## From the Dean *The Merry Month of May is upon us!*

April has been a wonderfully busy month. We experienced such an amazingly beautiful Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Sunday of the Resurrection of Jesus. Many thanks to our Altar Guild for all the hard work of making sure that our liturgies were well appointed and supplied; our ushers and greeters who helped us to welcome our many, many visitors; our choristers for bringing such beauty to our worship; the staff for all the planning, printing, hosting, and care for detail; to all of our parish community for attending so faithfully; and to our organist/choirmaster Mark Babcock, for organizing our Lenten Choral Evensongs, providing inspired music throughout, and for his beautiful original compositions for organ and chorus that so

moved our spirits. Thank you also for the host of volunteers, and to Elvin and Mark for painting our kitchen!



This month, as the trees begin to take on their spring foliage and the flowers and shrubs are

blooming, my prayer for us all is that we too will continue to be renewed in the beautiful, joyous spirit that has so truly marked these past several months. Now is the time for us to reach for the heavens in faith, to spread our arms open wide to invite, welcome, and connect with our constant stream of visitors, helping them to find their place with us in joy.

The Lord who has already done so much among us and within us is faithful, and will continue to bless and prosper us if we will faithfully continue to grow and deepen as disciples of Jesus, through grace and by faith. To the Lord God who loves us more than we can possibly imagine be all the praise and glory.

Amen!

Fr. Troy+



# Holy Week Reflection *By Deacon Zebulun Treloar*

Holy Week was truly special, from the diocesan Chrism mass, where clergy renewed their ordination vows, to Easter morning, with a large multitude of God's children coming to celebrate. Maundy Thursday we were reminded of the need to sit on both sides of the table, allowing ourselves both to be served and to serve others. On Good Friday, we engaged in deep reflection on crucifixion in the world and

our lives. Easter Vigil was filled with excitement and wonder as we pondered what it meant to be part of God's story, living into our traditions. Finally, the light shone forth and we were brought into the full majesty of Christ's resurrection power. One adult was received, three adults were baptized and confirmed and three babies joined us in the family of God through baptism. Christ was remembered,

celebrated, and resurrected in our lives and the world. Alleluia!

We hope you enjoy these photos of Easter at St. Paul's. In addition to services with baptisms, confirmations, and receptions we hosted an Easter Egg hunt, and Easter bonnets were donned fashionably. Many thanks to Jim Zeller for photographs of the Vigil and to those who posted pictures on our Facebook page.



*The Altar party at the Great Vigil.*



*Stephanie and Debbie Wells with Peyton King.*



*The Paschal Candle is lit.*



*During the Easter Vigil.*



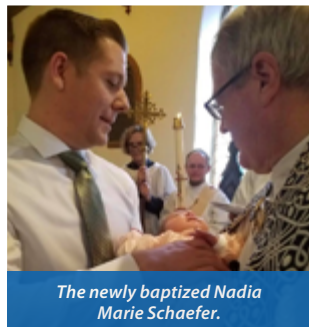
*Bishop Scarfe and Deacon Treloar preparing the Paschal Candle.*



*The newly baptized Ella June Whittington.*



*The newly baptized Brook Gillespie and Rhett Yang Gillespie. There were baptisms at both services on Easter Sunday.*



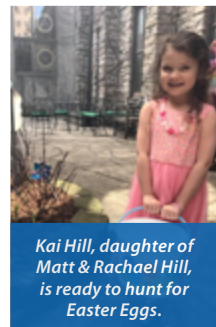
*The newly baptized Nadia Marie Schaefer.*



*"Thanks be to God"*



*John and Tom Stender Custer with Mary and Arlo.*



*Kai Hill, daughter of Matt & Rachael Hill, is ready to hunt for Easter Eggs.*



# Upcoming Music and Arts Opportunities at the Cathedral

## Sunday, May 5 at 2pm, Joby Bell, Organ Recital

Sponsored by the Central Iowa American Guild of Organists.

Free and open to the public. The Cathedral Casavant is one of our greatest assets. Please invite members of the community to attend and experience this amazing organ!

## Sunday, June 2 at 10am, Choral Mass in D by W.A. Mozart

Performed by the Cathedral Choir and Chamber Orchestra

Help us celebrate the Cathedral Choir's ministry at St. Paul's. Another

great opportunity to invite people to experience Cathedral Arts and worship.

Friday, June 28th at 6:30p, Des Moines Art Week Organ Recital and Art Show with Reception at St. Paul's

## August 5-9 from 8:30am-Noon, Children's Fine Arts Camp

Save the date and spread the word to children ages 8 - 12.

This professionally directed camp will focus on faith-based music, art, drama, and more. It will include the



production of a short musical, "It's Okay to Be Different." Cost is \$50 and includes all materials and snacks. Registration will be available in May on our website. We need volunteers during the week and welcome donations for scholarships for low income children.

# United Thank Offering Spring Ingathering 2019

## Sunday, May 19, 2019

For, they said, "Christ has no hands but our hands to do His work on earth. If we don't feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, listen to the stranger, visit the imprisoned, and clothe the naked, who will?" Christ is depending on us to do the very things which He did while upon earth. Brothers and sisters, if the gospel we hear does not have a social application, if it will not work effectively in the work-a-day world, then it is not the Gospel of Christ. With that thought in mind, the Spring United Thank Offering (UTO) will be held Sunday, May 19, 2019. At this time, you can help

with feeding the hungry, provide water to drink, and brighten the lives of others that are among us. A UTO Ingathering envelope will be available in the bulletin to enclose your contribution. You can also pick up a blue

box (mite box) for your "coins of thanksgiving" that reflect daily gifts we receive from God. The next Ingathering will be Sunday, November 3rd, 2019 (All Saints Day). At this time all monies will be received.

For more information on how your gifts are used the website [www.episcopalchurch.org/uto](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto) is a place where you can see the many

places that UTO is working in the lives of those around the world, More information will be available during the 8 o'clock and 10 o'clock coffee hour.



# St. Paul's UTO Contributions Go A Long Way

*United Thank Offering set to award \$1,535,740.55 after the 2018 Ingathering*

The United Thank Offering (UTO) Ingathering is set to award \$1,535,740.55 in 2019, thanks to increased giving by people from across the church in 2018. UTO funds are granted on an annual basis to support mission across The Episcopal Church and throughout the Anglican Communion.

The UTO 2018 Ingathering reflects an increase in giving of \$15,495.15 over the 2017 thank offerings. Fifty-three Episcopal dioceses increased their giving. For a complete breakdown in giving by Province and Diocese since 2000, please visit: <https://unitedthankoffering.com/ingathering/> (The link to this data is at the bottom of the page.)

"We are so very grateful for everyone who participates in UTO each year," shared UTO staff officer, Heather Melton. "Not only because your thank offerings go on to fund innovative mission and ministry in The Episcopal Church through UTO grants, but also because we believe that gratitude is an important and needed expression of faith in the world today. If you think about the Ingathering as an expression of the good things God is doing in the midst of us, then at a dime a piece, that means Episcopalians experienced almost 11 million blessings in 2018."

Since 1889, UTO has collected and granted \$138,629,911.07 in thank offerings to support

innovative mission and ministry in The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion through 5,257 grants. For the full list of grants awarded by UTO, please visit: <https://unitedthankoffering.com/granting/1883-2018-grant-list/> The 2019 grants, funded by the 2018 Ingathering, will be announced mid-June 2019.

UTO was founded to encourage Episcopalians to notice the good things happening in their daily lives and make small thank offerings in a UTO Blue Box or through the UTO Blue Box app. The following year, 100% of those thank offerings are awarded as grants. For more information on UTO, or how to participate, please visit [www.episcopalchurch.org/uto](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto).

## Connection Cafe

**Sunday, May 12**

All are welcome to help make sandwiches after the ten o'clock service on Sunday, May 12th. If you would like to help, please go to our website and click on that date in the calendar to sign up. If you work in downtown Des Moines, please consider helping to serve here at St. Paul's on Monday, May 13th from 12 – 1 p.m. You will be greeted enthusiastically!



Des Moines' Ecumenical Eatery



# May Shelter Meal

Friday, May 24, 2019

Our next Shelter Meal will be Friday, May 24th. Please check the sign-up poster located in the parish house corridor and think/decide what food you can contribute.

Please sign up if you will be bringing food so we don't purchase more than necessary. Monetary contributions are welcome anytime, and will be credited to your personal St. Paul's contributions. Thank you!



## Upcoming Ordinations



God willing and the people consenting  
The Right Reverend Alan Scarfe  
Bishop of Iowa  
will ordain

### Zebulun Bevans Treloar

to the Sacred Order of Priests  
in Christ's holy catholic Church

Thursday, May twenty-fifth  
two thousand nineteen  
at eleven o'clock in the morning

Cathedral Church of St. Paul  
815 High Street, Des Moines, Iowa

Your prayers and presence are requested  
Festival color is red | Reception following



God willing and the people consenting  
The Right Reverend Alan Scarfe  
Bishop of Iowa  
will ordain

### Nicola Bowler

to the Sacred Order of Priests  
in Christ's holy catholic Church

Thursday, May thirtieth  
two thousand nineteen  
at seven o'clock in the evening

St. John's by the Campus Episcopal Church  
2338 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa

Your prayers and presence are requested  
Festival color is white | Reception following

# LET'S celebrate

## HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY

Nancy Morton, May 3  
Bishop Alan Scarfe, May 3  
Kimela Weisenborn, May 3  
Marilyn Sand, May 5  
Dee Vickery, May 7  
Zoe Rawson, May 18  
Tommy Thompson, May 18  
Loretta Baker, May 19  
Helen Dagley, May 24  
Donald Sherinian, May 25  
Anne Reasons, May 26  
Aidan Champion, May 27  
Paolo Bartesaghi, May 28  
Linda Garten, May 30

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Denise and Scott Linn, May 6  
Martha and Russell Benda, May 26  
Jason and Diana Palmer, May 28

Would you like your birthday or anniversary included in the Journey?

Please contact the Cathedral Office (515-288-7297) or visit

<http://www.cathedralchurchofstpaul.org/about-us/contact-us/>





## June Courtyard Dinner

**Save the date:** St. Paul's Fundraising Courtyard Dinner is Back!

Please mark your calendars for SATURDAY, JUNE 8th, for a delicious dinner and fellowship. More details in the next few weeks.

For any questions, please contact Paolo Bartesaghi.

## Summer Ministry School and Retreat

June 14 - 16, 2019

### Fun, Learning and Worship for the Whole Family!

For the past 30 years Episcopalians in Iowa have gathered for a weekend in the summer to learn church leadership skills, explore personal spirituality or just find Sabbath time. Praying The Daily Offices together sets a rhythm and tone for the weekend that culminates in Eucharist on Sunday morning with The Bishop officiating. 7-8 hours are set aside for "track time" to get in-depth study in one track topic of your choice. Morning and Evening social time, meals and this year's "Gathering Session" is time with folks that aren't in your track.

As the event has grown, we've expanded to include the entire

family... offering chaperoned lock-in programs for youth and FREE childcare in the JRC for kids entering grade 3 and younger.

Grinnell College offers air conditioned dorm living across the field from the JRC building where



Summer Ministry School and Retreat  
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all meals, social time, track classrooms and worship take place. We even provide golf cart transportation between dorms and the JRC! Meals are all buffet style and are delicious even for picky eaters!

This year's Co-Coordinator are The Rev. Ruth Ratliff and The Rev. Jeanie Smith. Contact them at [smsr@iowaepiscopal.org](mailto:smsr@iowaepiscopal.org)

with questions or to apply for a scholarship. Questions about registration and logistics to Elizabeth Adams: [eadams@iowaepiscopal.org](mailto:eadams@iowaepiscopal.org) or 515-277-6165.

**REGISTER BY MAY 10, 2019  
TO TAKE ADVANTAGE  
OF SPECIAL SAVINGS**





## Egg Fund

*Free range chicken eggs produced by local farmers in Warren County*

Provided by generous parishioners, we are collecting voluntary donations on eggs produced by local farmers in Warren County. (They should be washed before use. Although they are only a few days old, having not been washed they keep much longer than "store bought" eggs that have been washed.) Please place your free-will donation in the basket provided (you can also write a check to St. Paul's with "Egg fund" noted on the memo line). If you have questions, please speak with Tom & Shelley Thompson or John Zickefoose.

## 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!

# TEXT TO GIVE

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

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 June issue will be Friday, May 17.***

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Or bring to the Cathedral Office.



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# See Inside for a Reflection on Our Holy Week and Easter Services!

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