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ST. PAUL'S NEWS JULY AND AUGUST

2019

LUKE 10:1-9 Jesus Sends Out the Seventy-Two

and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. ² He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. ³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. ⁴ Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. ⁵ "When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' ⁶ If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. ⁸ "When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to



you. ⁹ Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'





HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER

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"St. Paul's Church is a community of believers in Jesus Christ committed to helping all people by actively practicing the Gospel in word and deed."

PASTOR'S LETTER

"God Is Good...."

"God is good all the time; all the time God is good." This is a wonderful phrase that I have learned from my Liberian brothers and sisters in Christ. I use the phrase often, and I especially want to remind myself and all the dear members of St. Paul's of God's eternal goodness as we approach the coming months of July and August. I am now making plans for these months and the plans are not exactly what I am looking forward to for the summer. Oh, I will get a lot of rest and that's good. However, I will need to rest from another surgery that will require six weeks to fully recover.

Yes, it's another back surgery. The good news is that the doctors will be able to repair what has been plaguing me now for nearly a solid year or perhaps even better. I am scheduled to go in for surgery on Monday, July 22. This means that I will be somewhat "out of order" until the first full week of September. So, you will have the opportunity to worship with a new voice speaking from the altar for six Sundays: July 28, August 4,11,18,25 and, most likely, Sunday, September first. I will, however, always be with you in spirit and my prayers.

And with that having been said, I wish you all a very pleasant and relaxed summer as we move through July and August. May the Lord bless your days, your plans and, of course, your good health. Please, pray daily and include me in your prayers as I also pray for you and all the needs of St. Paul's Church. And do always remember that "God is good all the time; all the time God is good."

Sincerely,

Pastor Schultz



JULY AND AUGUST 2019

ALTAR GUILD

USHERS

COMM. ASSIST.

READER/ ACOLYTE

	READERY ACOLITE	COIVIIVI. ASSIST.	ALTAK GOILD	USHEKS
7	Young Adult Joe Norris		Irma Pereira	Leela Ballah
	Youth	Rick Sinnigen		Seaniah Ballah
				Solomon Paye
				Hardlyn Dauda
14	Jacqueline Pringl,e		Irma Pereira	Rick Sinnigen
	Cameron Arrundell			Steven Nagbe
				Onu Stevens
				Andrew Mastrostefa-
				no
21	Bill Oehlkers	Bill Oehlkers	Irma Pereira	Kim King
	Hawa Mulbah	Corvah Akoiwala		Helen Miller
				Bill King
28	Patricia Martin		Irma Pereira	Kevin Kehyei
	Camille Arrundell			Danlette Norris
				George Dauda
				Grace Dauda
	READER/ ACOLYTE	COMM. ASSIST.	ALTAR GUILD	USHERS
4	Youth	Steven Nagbe	Donna Buco	Leelah & Seaniah Bal-
	Jacob Mastrostefano	Joe Norris	Kolu Clark	lah
				Solomon Paye
				Hardlyn Dauda
11			Donna Buco	Rick Sinnigen
	Kevin Riley		Kolu Clark	Steve Nagbe
	Titi Adekeye			Onu Stevens
				Andrew Mastrostefa- no
18	Rick Sinnigen	Rick Sinnigen	Donna Buco	Kim King
	Christopher Dauda	Bill Oehlkers	Kolu Clark	Helen Miller
				Bill King
25	Andrew Mastrostefano		Donna Buco	Kevin Kehyei
4 3	Abiodun Adekeye		Kolu Clark	Danlette Norris
	Abioduli Adekeye		Koiu Ciaik	George and Grace Dauda

1 John M. Stamp

27 Benjamin Robinson

3 Soonkaru Varfley

28 Trudy Kohm

6 Robert Russell

31 Nellie Cooke

7 Jerry Mulbah, Jr.

29 Rachel L. Kollie

Corrine Stoskopf cer

14 Jerry Mulbah, Sr.

11 Mack Makor

16 Shaheed Patterson ros

Catherine Stoskopf

17 Patricia Martin

22 Stanley Urey, Jr.

Dahn

23 Joseph Marchetti

Kerkula

Vivian Marchetti

Mulbah

24 John D. Sinnigen



3 Jeanne Long

Hilde Rapp

4 Tom Kausch

9 Ingrid Mer-

10 Kim Cook

Steven Nagbe

15 Joaquim Bar-

Centeio III

17 Kwayah Makor

18 Tonia

23 Abraham

27 Hawa

Elaine Slavin

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

16 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fruggiero (36)

17 Mr. & Mrs. William Oehlkers 59)

18 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cook (14)



AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

13 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Watson (64)

21 Mr. & Mrs. David Martin (31)

21 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Richard (20)

26 Mr. & Mrs. George Dauda (13)

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	Hoppy the of July!	5	6
7 ₁₀ worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 10 worship	15	16	17	18	19	20 Soup Kitchen 2:15- 4:30
21 10 worship Communion	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 10 worship	29	30	31			

August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 Worship 10am Comm.	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Worship 10am	12	13	14	15	16	17
18Worship 10am Comm.	19	20	21	22	23	24
25Worship 10am	26	27	28	29	30	31

MINUTES OF CHURCH COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING June 16, 2019

A special meeting of the Church Council was called to order at 11:40 a.m., on Sunday, June 16, 2019, by President David Ballah. Present were: President Ballah, Vice President Corvah Akoiwala, Secretary David Martin, Financial Secretary Donna Buco, Chairperson of the Board of Deacons Joe Norris, Chairman of the Board of Finance Richard Sinnigen, and Pastor Leon Schultz. Also in attendance was Bill Oehlkers. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by Pastor.

President Ballah recognized David Martin as the meeting had been requested by him in his capacity as chairman of the Board of Trustees. David explained that there had been another flood in the school basement on June 11. As a result, Children's Friend had made several requests, three of which needed to be addressed immediately. As set forth in the June 14, 2019, email from Brian Greene to David Martin, the three requests are:

"Give Children's friend access and use of the two rooms on the church side of the basement for the Food Program to use for equipment and staff to operate out of until the basement is reopened."

"Give Children's friend access and use for storage ¼ of the large room in the basement of the church to house the remaining items from our side until the basement is reopened."

"Give Children's friend access and use to the upstairs kitchen, the church refrigerator and cabinets for storage of food, meals and drinks for the children from our program side [sic] until the basement is reopened."

After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to grant the above three requests. The Council also agreed to meet on Tuesday, June 18th at 7:00 p.m., instead of on Thursday, June 20th because of the unavailability of both the President and Vice President on the 20th. It was further agreed that at Tuesday's meeting the additional requests made by Children's Friend would take priority over other matters normally on the agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m., with recitation of The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Martin, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the June 2019, Church Council meeting.

MINUTES OF CHURCH COUNCIL May 16, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Church Council was called to order at 7:03 p.m., on Thursday, May 16, 2019, by President David Ballah. Present were: President Ballah, Treasurer Dan Robinson, Secretary David Martin, Financial Secretary Donna Buco, Chairperson of the Board of Deacons Joe Norris, and Pastor Leon Schultz. The meeting opened with a prayer offered by Pastor..

Approval of Minutes. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2019, Church Council meeting.

Treasurer's Report. Dan Robinson presented the Treasurer's Report for the period Jan. 1 through April 30, 2019. Total income during this period was \$72,065.26 and total disbursements were \$43,418.84, resulting in a surplus of \$28,646.42. Current offerings are about \$1,600.00 above the amount budgeted. The balance of Memorial Funds as of Apr. 30, 2019, was \$250,109.14.

Pastor's Report. Pastor reported that on April 28, 2019, he baptized Cristiano Jaya Rodrigues, daughter of Jennifer Smith and Jose Rodrigues and granddaughter of Helene Smith. On May 5, 2019, the following new members were announced by Pastor during the worship service: William J. Doe, Marie Gayee, Alice Stevenson, Larry Nichols, Lisa Ann Nichols, Mary Loway, Goodiah K. Giddings, Jacobline Dorbor, and Victoria Ware Anderson. Pastor said that he was very pleased with the new member pot luck luncheon which was held following the service.

Deacons. Joe Norris reported that the Rev. Jim Kerner will conduct the worship service on June 9 and 23 as Pastor will be away. Pastor's daughter Alison is getting married in New York on June 8. Joe is seeking additional input from the congregation regarding the use of contemporary recorded music on Sundays. So far the response from the youth has been very positive. A few older members have expressed that they prefer the pipe organ instead of recorded music. Going forward the recorded music will be used on alternate Sundays but not for a high service such as Easter. Joe said that David Ballah asked Julius Kolawole to speak to our city council person about the large trailer truck that recently has been parking opposite the church on Sunday mornings.

Trustees. David Martin reported that F.G. Lees & Son have completed the installation of the underground check valves to prevent the basement toilets from overflowing in the event of another sewer line backup. The bill for this work was \$20,540.00. Gordon H. Chandler Roofing & Consulting (Chandler) has disconnected

the conductors which carry water from the gutters around the church and school roofs. They now deposit their water on the lawn and not into the sewer line. Chandler has also erected a temporary roof over the outdoor stairwell which will prevent rain from overwhelming the drain in it. The trustees have determined that the carpeting in the school basement library, which was soaked in the last flood, should be removed and replaced with tile. Anibal Ferro will do this work for \$2,200.00. Last fall, he removed the carpeting and installed tile in the first room you enter as you go from the church basement into the school basement. Anibal's work was very satisfactory. Eight members participated in the Window Well Cleaning on May 11. David has obtained approval for a Thrivent Action Team Project to water the trees which were planted around the church last fall on Elmwood Avenue, Carter Street, and Bucklin Street. He will make an announcement about this at the conclusion of the service on May 19.

Old Business. Altar Flowers. A question had been asked at the last Council meeting concerning flowers for the altar. Dan was not at that meeting, but he later responded in an email that there is a separate account for altar flowers and that he is treasurer of that account also. It presently has approximately \$900.00 in it. If on a given Sunday no one has donated the altar flowers, money from this account is used to pay for the flowers and any delivery charge.

Elections. David Martin recalled that at the last Council meeting he had asked the chairs of the various boards to determine if their members whose terms are expiring would be willing to be nominated for two year terms expiring June 30, 2021. David said that he had heard from the chair of the Board of Finance but no other board. It was agreed that the chairs of the boards who have not yet responded would do so by Sunday, May 26. It was further agreed that a Voters' Meeting will be held on June 30 for the purpose of electing those nominated to two year terms ending June 30, 2021.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. with recitation of The Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

David L. Martin, Secretary

These minutes were approved at the June

2019, Church Council meeting.