



Tower Talk

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

The Church with Heart, in the Heart of the City

January 27, 2022

Annual Meeting and New Vestry

The 183rd Annual Meeting of St. Paul's Episcopal Church was held within the Sunday service of Holy Eucharist on January 23, 2022. All reports from the meeting are available on our website: www.stpaulschurchflint.com.

Joel Arnold, Tina Morrison and Celeste Lord were elected to three-year terms on the Vestry.

The vestry brought forth a resolution that allows the Senior and Junior Warden to stay as members of the Vestry for one year beyond the normal end of their terms of office if the Vestry elects them to office. The resolution was adopted, and later the Vestry elected Barbara Mannor to continue as the Senior Warden and Becky Bennett to continue as Junior Warden. This unusual resolution was brought forth because the parish is in the midst of a Rector transition.

During the Annual Address of the Priest-in-Charge, Fr. Don announced the appointment of Walt Peake as the Church Archivist. Walt will be taking the lead on the Intersection150 group as we begin our celebration of the 150th anniversary of our building. Walt will also be working with the University of Michigan Flint on providing a repository of our archives.

Senior Warden Mannor discussed our growing partnership with Partners for Sacred Places in growing connections and opportunities to assess our space with our community.

Treasurer Maggie Hart and Director of Finance George Gibson presented good news with our financial status from 2021, and the parish budget for 2022.

Following the Annual Meeting the Vestry, in addition to the Wardens elected Jan Bugbee as the Clerk of the Vestry and Maggie Hart as the Treasurer. The vestry has elected to meet at 7:00 P.M. on the fourth Tuesday of each month either in-person or via ZOOM.



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Barbara Mannor

senior warden

Becky Bennett

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Maggie Hart

treasurer

Jan Bugbee

clerk of the vestry

Episcopal Church concerned about Russia and Ukraine.

[Episcopal News Service] Executive Council [passed a resolution on Jan. 26](#) that “expresses grave concerns about the escalation of tensions and military buildup along the border of Russia and Ukraine” and calls on Episcopalians to join in a day of prayer for peace, following the lead of Pope Francis.

The resolution references a [2014 statement by then-Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori](#) condemning Russia’s annexation of Crimea, which Jefferts Schori said, “put the lives of many innocent people at risk, and threaten peace and security far beyond that region of the world.”

Late last year, Russian President Vladimir Putin [began positioning troops near its border](#) with Ukraine in what the United States and Western allies have warned is a [build-up for a looming Russian invasion](#) of the former Soviet republic. President Joe Biden said this week he was considering deploying [thousands of U.S. troops to NATO allies in Eastern Europe](#) after diplomatic talks with Russia faltered.

Pope Francis responded by [calling for a world day of peace](#) on Jan. 26, that “all people of good will ... may raise prayers to God Almighty, that every political action and initiative may serve human brotherhood, rather than partisan interests.”

Executive Council, the governing body of The Episcopal Church between meetings of General Convention, joined the pope [and the World Council of Churches](#) in their prayers for peace, extending that call to Episcopalians in the resolution approved during its Jan. 25-27 online meeting. “The church urges the United States to respond wisely, condemning any violation of territorial integrity while holding armed intervention to be a last resort,” the resolution says.

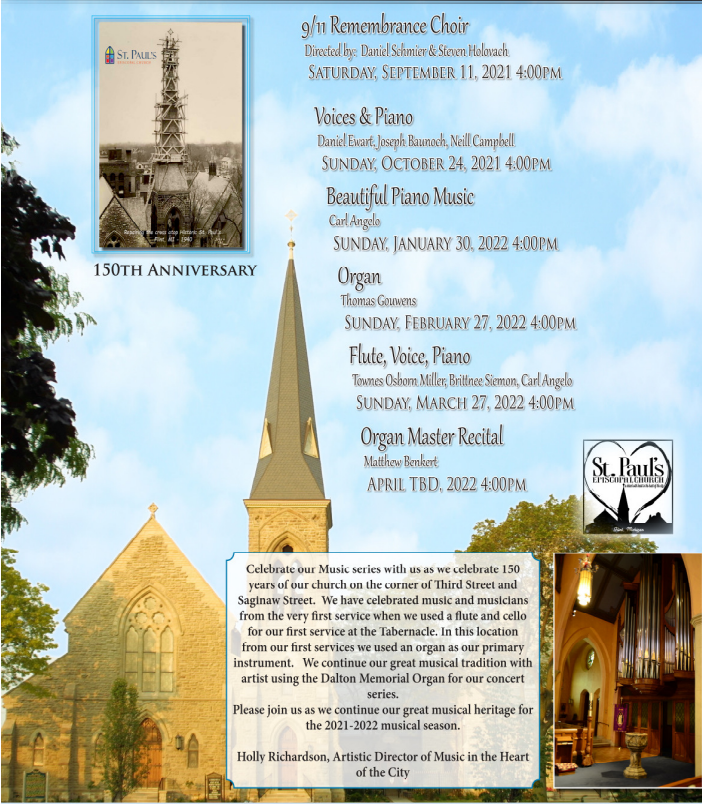
– David Paulsen is an editor and reporter for *Episcop*

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2021 - 2022 CONCERT SERIES

MUSIC IN THE HEART OF THE CITY

We are going ahead as planned with social distancing and masks required at all concerts.



9/11 Remembrance Choir
Directed by: Daniel Schmier & Steven Halovach
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 4:00PM

Voices & Piano
Daniel Ewart, Joseph Baunoch, Neill Campbell
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021 4:00PM

Beautiful Piano Music
Carl Angelo
SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022 4:00PM

Organ
Thomas Gauvens
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2022 4:00PM

Flute, Voice, Piano
Townes Osborn Miller, Brittnice Siemon, Carl Angelo
SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022 4:00PM

Organ Master Recital
Matthew Benkert
APRIL TBD, 2022 4:00PM

150TH ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate our Music series with us as we celebrate 150 years of our church on the corner of Third Street and Saginaw Street. We have celebrated music and musicians from the very first service when we used a flute and cello for our first service at the Tabernacle. In this location from our first services we used an organ as our primary instrument. We continue our great musical tradition with artist using the Dalton Memorial Organ for our concert series.
Please join us as we continue our great musical heritage for the 2021-2022 musical season.

Holly Richardson, Artistic Director of Music in the Heart of the City

Admission: \$10.00 for Adults / \$5.00 Students / Free to MCC & U of M students with ID
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Blood Drive
Red Cross Donation Center
1401 S. Grand Traverse Street, Flint

Tuesday, December 28, 2021
8:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

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Welcome Bishop Singh



The Standing Committees of Eastern and Western Michigan invite all in our dioceses to participate in a special service of Evensong and Welcome for our new bishop provisional, the Rt. Rev. Prince Singh. The service takes place on February 2, 2022 at 7pm on our diocesan Facebook pages.

Bishop Singh was elected as our bi-diocesan bishop provisional at our joint convention in late October and begins officially in this role on February 1st. Together, we will mark this new beginning with a special service of welcoming. Bishop Singh will preach.

Due to the ongoing pandemic and current surge, in-person participants are limited to those necessary to the liturgy and all others are asked to participate via livestream. We are hopeful that pandemic precautions will allow us to safely invite the dioceses to regional in-person gatherings with the Bishop in the spring, beyond those visits in his regular visitation schedule.

The Master Calendar

of all events, services and meetings at St. Paul's is now available on our website.

www.stpaulschurchflint.com

Wi-Fi in the building

Our New Wi-Fi provides a faster and more consistent connection to the Internet in the building. There is a new password. The password for the StPGUEST Wi-Fi in Barth Hall is
L0v3Jesus

“The Epistle”

our

Monthly Newsletter

will be published February 1, 2022.

If you would like to submit news or information,
please send them via email to:

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