

THE **EPISTLE**

May, 2022



Living in a Picture The images of Paul Rozycki Art Walk, May 8, 2022



Iquoted from publications of Mott Community College!

Paul Rozycki retired as a professor of political science at Mott Community College in 2011. Paul continues to teach at the Flint campus, however, while also appearing regularly on TV 12 and 25 news broadcasts to comment on current political issues. He is a regular guest on Andy Heller's local talk radio show on 1470 and moderates many candidate debates and discussions for League of Women Voters.

He has lived in Flint since 1969 and is author of Politics and Government in Michigan (with Jim Hanley) and A Clearer Image: The History of Mott Community College.

Paul received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1966 from Northern Illinois University, and a Master of Arts degree in Political Science in 1967 from Indiana University.

In the early '60s, Paul worked as a reporter/photographer and later taught introductory and advanced photography classes at Mott, the University of Michigan-Flint and the Flint Institute of Arts. He was the faculty advisor to the MCC Post, the student newspaper for Mott, from 1987-1992.

Muisc: Gilda Tucker is a Flint native. She has played violin in church and in local community orchestras since high school. From around 1998 to 2004 she performed at part of a violin and guitar duo for various events in Flint and surrounding areas. Currently living in East Lansing she continues to play in the Lansing/East Lansing area for church and community events.



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The Warden's Word

One thing we have learned during the Covid pandemic is patience. Every time we thought we could begin our search process, things were put on hold. I am now glad to report that the vestry has meet with Rev Tracie Little, Canon for the Ordinary, who will guide us in our search for a new rector.

Knowing God is preparing the person who will become our new rector will require each of us to pray for guidance. Trust in the ability of the Search committee to do the work of calling a new Rector. Give input when asked and take the time to study and learn how to create a healthy and loving relationship with a new priest. This is a wonderful opportunity to practice being still and listening for God to speak to you. Be open minded and not focused only on your needs but those of the entire congregation present today and in the future. Remain faithful and loving members of St Paul's family. Support one another and reach out to our neighbors.

Canon Tracie Little has asked each member of the congregation to pray daily using the following prayer for transition.

Almighty God, look graciously on the people of St Paul's, be with us and lead us as we seek a priest for our church. We ask your direction and guidance for those who shall choose our new spiritual leader that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries. Grant us perception, faithfulness, and joy, so that we may hear your voice in all our deliberations. Grant us also the desire and the ability to truly hear each other and those who have entrusted us with this process. Give us courage to respond and act as you lead us. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This transitional time under the direction of Father Davidson is to prepare us for a new rector. He is leading us in new directions and revealing how we can grow and develop our Christian community within and outside our doors. Let's not waste this opportunity. Embrace the challenge, withstand the discomfort and be joyful. It is a time to reflect on the Easter message. Just as the



disciples were called to spread the gospel, we need to go out into the world to do the work we have been given to do, to Love and serve one another as Christ serves us. Thanks be to God. For His Sake, Barbara Mannor

ASCENSION

And if I go,

while you're still here...

Know that I live on,
vibrating to a different measure
—behind a thin veil you cannot
see through.
You will not see me,
so you must have faith.
I wait for the time when we can soar
together again,
both aware of each other.
Until then, live your life
to the fullest.
And when you need me,
Just whisper my name in your heart,
... I will be there.

Colleen Hitchcock

NEW LIVE STREAMING!

Our new live-streaming equipment has arrived and is installed. The equipment will allow a multi -camera system to present a high-definition to the Internet. Your picture will depend on your home computer and the speed of your home broadband connection.

We need help from those willing to learn how to run the system on Sundays.

If you (kids welcome) enjoy video games, you can learn how to run our video directing.

HISTORIC ST. PAUL'S CELEBRATES 150 YEARS AT THE INTERSECTION!

South Saginaw Street & East Third Street in Downtown Flint, Since 1873

GROUNDBREAKING DAY Saturday - May 14, 2022

10AM-12PM: Planting and Parish Clean Up 12PM-4PM: Downtown Cleanup & Mixer

- Cleanup Headquarters St. Paul's
- Cleanup Supplies and Snacks
- Mural Walking Tours Available
- Wander Around / Greet Neighbors

CORNERSTONE OPEN HOUSE

Saturday - May 21, 2022 10AM-4PM: Open House

- Press/Media Availability
- Friends and Neighbors
- Tours and Photos
- Hourly Organ Demos (1:00PM-3:00PM)
- Hourly Bell Choir Demos (1:30PM 3:30PM)
- Evening Prayer (4PM)

CORNERSTONE REDEDICATION Sunday - May 22, 2022

THE RIGHT REVEREND PRINCE SINGH 10AM: Cornerstone Rededication

- Procession to the Intersection
- Holy Eucharist
- Reception

4PM: Diocesan Confirmation

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rectors' Day - August 13/14, 2022 All Saints' Day/Glenwood Cemetery - October 30, 2022

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE PARISH

St. Paul's Episcopal
Church
was founded by
missionary priest
Daniel Ebenezer Brown
and nineteen of
Flint's earliest settlers on
January 15, 1840

THE BUILDING

Thirty-two years after the parish founding, the cornerstone for this Gothic Revival building was set on May 29, 1872

150 YEARS AGO!

The first service at the Intersection of S. Saginaw Street and E. Third Street took place on Sunday August 24, 1873



The Music Note

I was reading an article today in the New York Times about the NFL draft. The article was about how the first pick is not always the best pick. A pick depends on what the player can achieve years down the road, and no one can see into the future whether the first draft pick lives up to his expectations. They compared it to a job interview, which many of us have suffered through, it is a painful process and there is not a guarantee that the job will work out the way the applicate hopes or the employer hopes the new employee will fit into the position.

When Jesus chose his apostles, he knew one would betray him, do you think he knew which one? Or because we all have choices, Judas chose to follow a course of betrayal? Could Judas at any time changed course and become as devote as one of the others?

Teach Me Thy Way, O Lord, written by Benjamin Ramsey

- 1. Teach me Thy way, O Lord, teach me Thy way! Thy guiding grace afford, teach me Thy way! Help me to walk aright, more by faith, less by sight; Lead me with heav'nly light, teach me Thy way!
- 2. When I am sad at heart, teach me Thy way! When earthly joys depart, teach me Thy way! In hours of loneliness, in times of dire distress, In failure or success, teach me Thy way!
- 3. When doubts and fears arise, teach me Thy way! When storms o'erspread the skies, teach me Thy way! Shine through the cloud and rain, through sorrow, toil, and pain; Make Thou my pathway plain, teach me Thy way! Long as my life shall last, teach me Thy way! Where'er my lot be cast, teach me Thy way! Until the race is run, until the journey's done, Until the crown is won, teach me Thy way!

https://youtu.be/LKPhjvn3tIA

This is a beautiful hymn and it is comforting to know that regardless of the world around us, the uncertainty of a job, or life in general, Jesus, our Shepherd is with us and is willing to teach us the way.

Holly Richardson, Director of Music



Scholarships Needed for Youth Campers

Summer camp is a wonderful opportunity for children to learn, grow, and develop new friendships.

St Paul's has an opportunity to sponsor scholarships for youth campers to attend Camp Chickagami also known as Camp Chick, the Episcopal Summer Camp located at Presque Isle.

The Outreach Team is working with Crossover, a nonprofit in Flint that St Paul's helped found with parishes in the area.

Two camp sessions are planned for July to include two sessions of 20 per session (July 10-16, 3rd -5th graders) and (July 24-30, 6th-8th graders). Crossover is outfitting each camper with the necessary clothing and gear needed for each of the one-week camp sessions.

The cost is \$350 per camper. You have an opportunity to become a scholarship donor in **any amount.**

Make your check payable to St Paul's Episcopal Church with a notation "Camp Chick Scholarship."





What's Fr. Don up to?

Since 1997, CREDO conferences have provided clergy with a multifaceted wellness experience that many have described as life-changing. Through exploration of the four component areas – Spiritual, Vocational, Financial, and Physical/Psychological health – CREDO conference participants explore ways to support personal well-being, a healthy life, and vibrant ministry. A CREDO conference helps clergy examine their health, replenish their spirit, and rediscover the passion that first animated their call to ministry.

From May 3-9, Fr. Don will be attending a special CREDO conference at Episcopal Camp Solomon near Loranger, Louisiana. Following CREDO, Fr. Don will join the clergy of the Dioceses of Eastern and Western Michigan for a three-day retreat at the Roman Catholic retreat center in DeWitt, Michigan. This will be the first meeting of clergy and their Bishop.

On May 14, Fr. Don will be attending an all-day meeting with the members of the Building Bridges Task Force in Mt. Pleasant. Fr. Don will be available via email, text and phone while he is away.