

THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR MERCIFUL SAVIOUR
THE CHIMES



Psalm 51:10, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me."

Dear Members of the First Cathedral,

This June will mark my third year as your Dean for my second term. Remember that I was the Dean from 2001 to 2014. I am the longest running Dean, passing Charles Slattery and Tom Winkler by a few years. The other day I was making a pastoral call to Jan Batchelder. She is homebound with granddaughter Sarah caring for her needs. Jan was the Senior Warden when I was hired as the Dean in both 2001 and 2021. She is responsible in placing my name as the Dean in each occasion. My ministry as Dean was much different the first term. We had a congregation of around 200 people and the traditional pre-covid church was services twice a week, youth group and Sunday School. We also had activities which were Cathedral traditions and assisted the Episcopal Church in Minnesota with special events.

Now it is post-covid. When I was called as the Dean of the Cathedral, we needed to make changes to survive! My post covid plan is very simple. The plan is to be creative and bring a wide variety of activities and people through the Cathedral doors. When I took the job for the second time our congregation has been reduced to fifty dedicated people.

This past year the plan is starting to be fruitful. We have new life and keep the past traditions alive. We are able to keep our buildings clean, functional and open for the Faribault community. Our buildings are a visible site of the love of Jesus our Lord. We are a central beacon of God's love in the middle of the city across from Central Park. The 2024 Events and Merner Concert schedule are filled with attractions that will bring in new faces. Our ministry of the Community Café feeds 300 people weekly. We host Triumphant Life, another church and have established a good relationship with them and gather four times a year for fellowship. We host groups from the Episcopal Church in Minnesota, local non-profit organizations, and many organizations outside the walls of the Cathedral. We have opened our doors, and we are a central example of hospitality in the Faribault community.

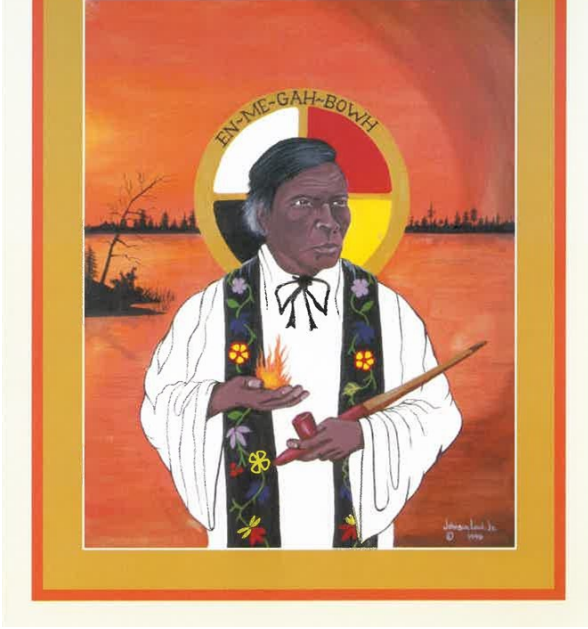
WE ARE THE FIRST CATHEDRAL! ALIVE AND WELL!

Let's keep alive and well for all those who need us.



Yours in God's love,

Fr. Jim, Dean



On Sunday, February 10 we held The Annual Meeting of The Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour and The Church of the Good Shepherd. We had about 25 people in attendance. The group enjoyed a delicious potluck meal and a cake with a picture of En-me-gah-bowh.



Merner Concert Series & Cathedral Events



Cannon Valley Regional Orchestra
March 10
3:00 pm



Over and Back
May 17
7:00 pm

Planning is underway for the 2024 event schedule at the Cathedral. We have a lot of fun things in the works. A free will offering will be taken at the Merner sponsored events. A poster with the full schedule will be coming out very soon.

Attached is a copy of the 2024 budget for anyone who wasn't able to attend the Annual Meeting. 2024 will be challenging financially. We are facing a large deficit. The chapter has been and will continue to address the issue and work on plans to lower the deficit.

Budget

Accounts

Jan 01, 2024 - Dec 31, 2024

Revenues	
Total Regular Offerings	\$ 68,601.00
Total Other Income	\$ 12,002.00
Total Investment Income	\$ 105,485.00
Total Revenues	\$ 186,088.00
Expenses	
Total Building and Grounds	\$ 70,551.00
Total General and Administrative	\$ 10,600.00
Total ECMN Support	\$ 22,245.00
Total Worship & Music	\$ 9,200.00
Total Enrichment	\$ 3,200.00
Total Staff	\$ 130,690.00
Total Expenses	\$ 246,486.00
Net Total	\$ (60,398.00)



Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign, the largest grassroots food and fund drive in the state, brings together organizations, businesses, faith communities, and individuals to help stock and support the capacity of nearly 300 food shelves.

This year we will be collecting food all month that will be given to the Community Café to distribute. Collections baskets will be in the Cathedral, the Cloister and the office.

March, April & May

	Acolyte	Lector & Prayers	LEM	Ushers
March				
3	Carol Kingsley	Emily Nesvold	June Muchow	Marlene Sammon
10	Chris Rodewald	Joyce Dezeil	Candy Greeley	Nancy Schmidt
17	Mike Frankenfield	Mike Frankenfield	June Muchow	Chris Rodewald
24	Chris Rodewald	Lesley & Pat Dudley	Candy Greeley	Carol & Al Kingsley
31	Mike Frankenfield, Carol Kingsley	Emily Nesvold	Candy Greeley	Marlene Sammon
April				
7	Chris Rodewald	Joyce Dezeil	Candy Greeley	Nancy Schmidt
14	Carol Kingsley	Mike Frankenfield	Candy Greeley	Chris Rodewald
21	Carol Kingsley	Lesley & Pat Dudley	Candy Greeley	Marlene Sammon
28	Mike Frankenfield	Emily Nesvold	Candy Greeley	Carol & Al Kingsley
May				
5	Chris Rodewald	Joyce Dezeil	June Muchow	Marlene Sammon
12	Carol Kingsley	Mike Frankenfield	Candy Greeley	Nancy Schmidt
19	Candy Greeley	Lesley & Pat Dudley	June Muchow	Chris Rodewald
26	Mike Frankenfield	Mike Frankenfield	Candy Greeley	Carol & Al Kingsley

Bishop's Letter

The 10th Bishop



Beloved in Christ,

One day early last summer, Asa and I set out for a day of fishing at a few metro area lakes. When we reached our spot, it began to drizzle lightly, which, over the course of an hour, turned into a heavy, soaking rain. We were not at all prepared, and had brought no umbrella or rain coats. When it became clear this was not just a passing rain, we shrugged our shoulders and kept fishing, letting the rain soak us and just enjoying being outside together.

Love is the intersection of mercy, kindness, and delight. Bishop Matt Gunter of Fond Du Lac reminded me in a sermon this week that God is always seeking to lavish mercy, kindness, and delight on us like a heavy rain, and we often go through life with layers of rain gear and umbrellas that keep us from knowing it's there. One way to think about Lent is as an invitation to shed some of the protective layers that keep us from receiving the nourishing rain of mercy, kindness, and delight.

As you prepare for Lent next week, what distractions, false beliefs, fears, are building up layers between your soul and God's lavish love? What can you do to really feel that love soaking into the deepest parts of your soul?

God's mercy, kindness, and delight aren't lavished on us just to make us feel good, but so that our lives join God in lavishing that love on the world. We receive it so that we can give it away. Lent is a time to focus on allowing God to fill us up, so that we can be sent out to give it all away, over and over again, until the whole world is flooded with God's perfect, healing love.

Grace and Peace,

The Right Reverend Craig Loya



Check out Episcopal Church in

Minnesota news: <https://episcopalmn.org/>

Reaffirmation of Ordination Vows, 11:00 am

Wednesday, March 27

Clergy lunch with Bishop Loya

Maundy Thursday

March 28, 6 pm

Passover Meal with Triumphant Life Church

Good Friday Service

March 29, Noon

Ecumenical Service at SSM Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Dressing of the Cross

March 29, 4 pm

Cathedral north lawn, followed by Hot Cross Buns

Easter Service

Sunday, March 31, 10:00 am



On March 2 we had a large group to package meals for Jesus Food. Jesus Food is a Christian organization whose mission is to provide a nu-



Easter Lilies



If you would like to sign up to donate an Easter Lily for the Altar for Easter please contact Candy Greeley, or sign up in the Cloister. They are \$18 a piece.

Thank you to June Muchow and Angela Sammon for all of their hard work! We were awarded a grant from the Minnesota Historical Society to repair stonework on the Cathedral Chapel.

Dear June Muchow,

I am pleased to let you know that the Minnesota Historical Society has awarded a Minnesota Historical & Cultural Heritage grant in the amount of \$165,382 to the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour for The Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour's Stone Replacement at Chapel and West Entry Project - Phase 2 project. The Historic Resources Advisory Committee recommended this project for funding at their meeting on November 2 and 3, 2023, and the Society's Executive Council recently approved their recommendation.

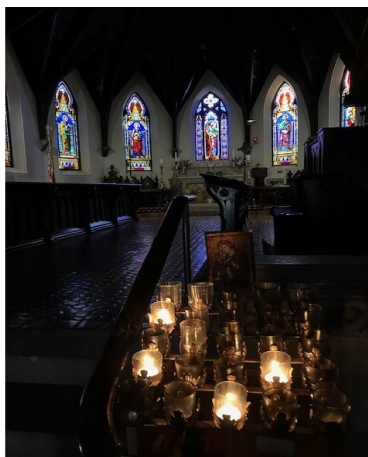
You will receive information about the specific requirements associated with the grant in the coming weeks from the Grants Office. However, one word of caution – work on the project must not commence until after the grant agreement's start date.

The Society is honored to support your efforts to preserve our state's heritage. If you have questions about any aspect of your grant award, please contact the Grants Office at grants@mnhs.org.

Best wishes for success in the work ahead.

Sincerely,

Brenda Raney
Senior Director, Preservation and Outreach



Did you know that you can light a candle in prayer for someone in the Cathedral? This is a great way to have a moment of prayer and honor a loved one. The Cathedral is open to everyone!

*Kindness is
in your blood*



 Red Cross

Blood Drive

Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour

Cloister
141 6th Street NW
Faribault, MN 55021

Thursday, March 21, 2024
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Jan Batchelder
Donna Glynn
Connie Reineke
Jean Roosmalen
Gilbert Truax
Myrna Winjum
Sue Zibrocki



PASSOVER MEAL

Fr. Jim is bringing back the Cathedral's tradition of the Passover Meal. It will be on Maundy, Thursday, March 28 at 6:00 pm. Triumphant Life Church will be joining us. Please rsvp by March 15, 2024 to reserve your post. A free will offering will be taken.



March

- 2 Aiden Reuvers
- 6 Myrna Winjum
- 16 Donna Glynn
- 22 Emily Nesvold
- 24 Aaron Babcock
- 25 Candy Greeley

April

- 3 Gary Andersen
- 5 Pat Dudley
- 19 Connie Reineke

May

- 7 Elizabeth Babcock
- 8 John Andrews
- 14 Sue Zabrocki



March

- 26 Emilee & Brandon Iverson

April

- 3 Gary Andersen
- 5 Pat Dudley
- 19 Connie Reineke

May

- 7 Lesley & Pat Dudley



If you would like to be included on the birthday and anniversary page, contact the Cathedral Office.

A special thank you to Mary Lynn Andrews for sending out cards to our members each month.

Connect with the Cathedral

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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:00 am – Noon.

March 4	Staff Meeting, 10:00 am
March 10	Cannon Valley Regional Orchestra, 3:00 pm
March 11	GROWS, 6:00 pm
March 21	Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
March 24	Palm Sunday Private Event, Noon
March 27	Renewal of Clergy Vows and lunch, 11:00 am
March 28	Nursing Home Visits Passover Meal, 6:00 pm
March 29	Ecumenical Service, Noon Dressing of the Cross, 4:00 pm
March 31	Easter Sunday, 10:00 am, Coffee Hour following
April 1	Easter Monday, Office Closed
April 8	GROWS, 6:00 pm
May 9	Nursing Home Visits
May 13	GROWS, 6:00 pm
May 17	Private Event (kitchen prep) Over and Back (Merner Concert Event), 7:00 pm
May 18	Private Event, 1:00 pm
May 23	Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:00 am to 3:00 om
May 27	Memorial Day

At the Annual Meeting our congregation voted and approved our Chapter representatives for 2024. Thank you to everyone who has completed their service and pray for our current members as they begin the new year leading the Cathedral.

2024 Chapter

Senior Warden: Chris Rodewald
Treasurer: Candy Greeley

Junior Warden: June Muchow

Cindi Cronin, Mike Frankenfield, Candy Greeley, Connie Reineke, Perry Starr

Delegates for the Southeast Region Meetings & The Diocesan Convention:
Pat Dudley
Lesley Dudley (Alternate)



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