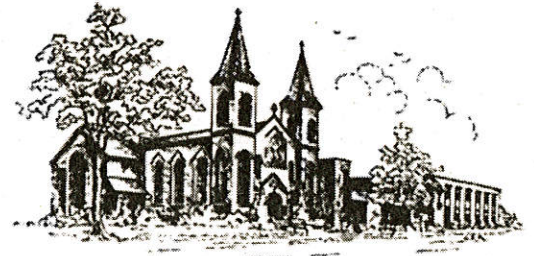


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Dear Friends in Christ,

As the Senior Warden of this parish, I am honored to introduce our new rector, The Rev. Sarah F. Midzalkowski! After two and a half years of discernment, very hard work and countless hours of prayer, Sarah was overwhelmingly selected to be our new spiritual leader.

The search committee presented two very powerful candidates, and ultimately selected Sarah because of the recurring theme that kept echoing from the Holy Conversations we conducted with you over a year ago. **"We want someone who will love us."** The Vestry agreed that Sarah was that person, and, yes, she LOVES us!

Most of us know Sarah as "the supply priest from MSU" who, no matter when we called, would do her best to accommodate our needs as a worship leader. She knows us well. She has wanted to come here for a long time, and I, for one, could not be more pleased with our selection.

Sarah will begin her duties on August 1, 2017, with her first official Sunday worship service beginning at 8 a.m. on August 6th!

I want to thank the Search Committee for their dedication and commitment to this most serious task. They took their assignment very seriously and listened intently to The Holy Spirit throughout these past five months. The Search committee members are:

Tom Holsinger-Friesen, Chuck Campbell, Dennis Marsh, Rhonda Rudolph, Valerie Rowley Edward Greene, Zoe Baldwin, Clark Hutchens, Molly Fearon, Carrie Grant.

Please take a moment when you see them to personally thank them for a job very well done.

I know we are all anxious to welcome Sarah to St. Paul's and will work closely with her as we look ahead to what God has planned for us! Thanks be to God!

Yours in Christ,

Barbara Markowski
Sr. Warden