

Dear Friends in Christ.

The St. Paul's Worship Committee met on Saturday, April 1, 2017. One concern we have is the length of time it takes for announcements before the beginning of worship. Last Sunday, announcements took nearly 20 minutes to deliver and some people have difficulty hearing them.

While it is a very good thing that we have so many activities that need to be shared, it is our hope to be more diligent to get them in writing as well as simply spoken. That way, members have a written copy to take with them as reminders. I realize it is easier to just give a verbal announcement, but they are becoming cumbersome and somewhat ineffective.

If you or the ministry you are representing has information that needs to be shared with the congregation, we are requesting that your representative email the announcement to Jackie in the church office BEFORE Wednesdays at 10:00 am. She will print them in the Sunday bulletin.

Her email address is [Jackie@stpauljxmi.org](mailto:Jackie@stpauljxmi.org).

We do realize that some announcements are time sensitive and need to be given in church, but many can be printed and referred to in the bulletin in the weeks preceding the event. Thank you for your cooperation as we try to find the best methods of communication at St. Paul's.

Our Treasurer, Diane Billingsley, in an effort to streamline labor and mailing expenses, has requested that the quarterly financial statements be emailed to parishioners who have shared their email address with the church. She needs your permission to send financial statements electronically. If you can help us out by approving the receipt of your financial statement electronically, please send her an email stating your consent to:

[financial@stpauljxmi.org](mailto:financial@stpauljxmi.org).

Thank you so very much for helping us with these matters.

Yours in Christ,

Barbara Markowski

Sr. Warden

St. Paul's