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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

July 2014

*"We are God's servants, saved by grace, through faith,
commissioned to share the Word of Christ to all."*



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

*The July Messenger is
sponsored in memory of
Jeanne Jaruzel from her kids,
grandkids, and husband.*

Hope and encouragement is rarely seen in our society today. No matter where you look words of hopelessness and discouragement is there. I was watching with TV with Katie and saw how many shows put down people and give no hope. It seems we are good as humans to criticize and put down others.

I remember watching another show, *So You Think You Can Dance* and they did critique others, but they also did something that was uplifting. They encouraged the dancers, and at times when they critiqued, they encouraged them in their task to do better.

This shows something about our words - they can do two things. I believe the lyrics from Hawk Nelson's song, "Words" says it the best.

They've made me feel like a prisoner
They've made me feel set free
They've made me feel like a criminal
Made me feel like a king

They've lifted my heart
To places I'd never been
And they've dragged me down
Back to where I began

Words can build you up
Words can break you down
Start a fire in your heart or
Put it out

Words can do a lot. Have you been like a prisoner, criminal, dragged down, broken down, feel like there's no hope? David writes, *You hear, O LORD, the desire of the afflicted; you encourage them, and you listen to their cry Ps. 10:17.* God hears the things said and hears our cry. He feels the hopelessness we have in our hearts, for those pains were placed on Christ on the cross.

He forgives and gives us hope when those around us say things that tear us down. *The God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among us Rom. 15:5.* His Words give us hope, His resurrection gives us assurance that no matter what anyone says to tear us down His Words build us up.

With His words given to us to build us up and with His Spirit what words will we say? *"For the mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life" Prov. 10:11 and "The tongue has the power of life and death" Prov. 18:21.* We have tremendous power in our words. So let the Words that come out of our mouths be *only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen Eph. 4:29.* Let the words uplift and point to Christ.

As Hawk Nelson lyrics continue in the song:

Let my words be life
Let my words be truth
I don't wanna say a word
Unless it points the world back to You

You can heal the heartache
Speak over the fear
God, Your voice is the only thing
We need to hear

Words can build us up
Words can break us down
Start a fire in our hearts or
Put it out

Let my words be life
Let my words be truth
I don't wanna say a word
Unless it points the world back to You

Let the words I say
Be the sound of Your grace
I don't wanna say a word
Unless it points the world back to You

I wanna speak Your love
Not just another noise
Oh, I wanna be Your light
I wanna be Your voice

Let my words be life
Let my words be truth
I don't wanna say a word
Unless it points the world back to You

Spiritual News

Adult Bible Studies **9:45AM Sunday Morning**

Inviting Community – Led by Pastor Bruner in the Library.

Daring to Walk as Christ's Disciples – Led by Pastor Abatelli in the Projects Room.



Lutheran Ministries **"Worship for Shut-Ins"**

July 6th
"Rest" - Matthew 11:28-30

July 13th
"That's Not Right!" - Isaiah 55:10-13

July 20th
"Waiting in Hope" - Romans 8:18-27

July 27th
"You Are Valuable" - Matthew 13:44-52

July Meetings

Council

Wed., July 9th at 7PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., July 14th & 28th at 7PM

Trustees

Sun., July 20th at 6PM

Elders

Wed., July 23rd at 7:30PM

Musical Opportunities

Worship Team

Wednesdays at 6PM



Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM

July Scripture Readings

July 6th

Zechariah 9:9-12

Romans 7:14-25a

Matthew 11:25-30

July 13th

Isaiah 55:10-13

Romans 8:12-17

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 20th

Isaiah 44:6-8

Romans 8:18-27

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 27th

Deuteronomy 7:6-9

Romans 8:28-39

Matthew 13:44-52

Open Positions for Latchkey/Childcare, Reading Specialist and Teachers' Aide

Currently St. Paul Lutheran Church and School have openings in the following areas:

1. **Childcare Lead:** This position requires an associates in early childhood, CDA or similar courses in the area of child development and education. The usual hours for this position will be 20 hours per week and will vary slightly depending on the needs of the Childcare and other workers. This is a part time position and offers no benefits.
2. **Teachers' Aide:** This position requires a genuine desire to work with and for the teachers and to help students who are facing extra challenges to meet their full potential with the help of individualized attention. An educational background or previous experience would be helpful, but not required. This is a part time position offering approximately twenty hours per week and no benefits.
3. **Reading Specialist:** This position requires a current teaching certificate. This is a part time position with no benefits.

To apply for any of these positions, please submit your resume to the church or school office by Thursday, July 10th. All employees of St. Paul Lutheran must submit to a background check.

Calendar of Events

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings every Tuesday from 7:30 -8:30PM in the Council Room. For more information contact Gary 989-710-6637.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline
Fri., July 18th



Point Fest 2014 Christian Music Concert & Cedar Point Trip Saturday, September 13th

The bus will leave St. Paul, Millington at 7:00am SHARP and will return around 4am.

Reg. Admission Ticket + Bus Seat: Cost \$62.50

Reg. Admission Ticket + PointFest Ticket + Bus Seat: Cost \$67.50

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

NUMBER OF TICKETS _____ x \$62.50

NUMBER OF TICKETS _____ x \$67.50

TOTAL \$ _____

If you have an LYF Account and would like the money to come out of there please check the box.

**Please return form to church office with checks made payable to
St. Paul Lutheran Church by Thurs., Aug. 7th.**

If you are under 18, a permission slip will need to be signed. We need 1 chaperone for every 8 students that are attending this event. Direct any questions to Laura Gleim, 871-4581.

Christian Music Concert

Enjoy a fun-filled day at Cedar Point taking on the Dragster, Millenium Force, Power Tower, Rapture and their newest rides, the Pipe Scream and Lake Erie Eagles!

Then top off the evening with great contemporary Christian music by some of the best names in the business:

Emcee: John Nix

Musical Artists:

For King & Country, Jamie Grace
Newsboys, Chris Tomlin

Get a full day of fun at Cedar Point, then a full evening of music and ministry.



July Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



Sherry ILL	7/1	Erna Reinert	7/9	Patricia Saeger	7/16	Coy Thomason	7/25
Dwight Keinath	7/1	Bradley Wilson	7/9	Brooke Shaffer	7/16	David Walz	7/25
Mark Wolfer	7/1	Darrell Zeck	7/9	Fatima Compaore	7/17	Reagan Wisenbach	7/25
Robert Ames	7/2	Kenneth Jensen	7/10	Scott Heike	7/17	Eileen Ziegler	7/25
Suzanne Bleuer	7/2	Aaron Keinath	7/10	Dennis Shaffer	7/17	Fred Erlenbeck	7/26
David Edler	7/2	John Keinath	7/10	Amanda Turner	7/17	Seth Holmes	7/26
Wendy Edler	7/2	Kaden List	7/10	Benjamin Daenzer	7/18	Ronald Johnson	7/26
Joyce Koch	7/2	Brian Meier	7/10	Erik DuRussel	7/18	Cindy Kralik	7/26
Katherine Rohn	7/2	Margaret Mullin	7/10	Deklan Hager	7/18	Frederick List	7/26
Qwilleran Schmandt	7/2	Nicole Petzold	7/10	Neil Hecht	7/18	Jilee Mallard	7/26
Sandra Weber	7/2	Dennis Rodammer	7/10	Susan Kelly	7/18	Nicholas Maschke	7/26
Ashley Wolverton	7/2	Nancy Wilson	7/10	Renae Roth	7/18	Jeffrey Platt	7/26
Jerrie Daniel	7/3	Jacob Figgins	7/11	Brianne Wolfer	7/18	Lola Wendt	7/26
Arthur Saeger	7/3	Dale Higgins	7/11	Samantha Wolfer	7/18	Blake Ferrier	7/27
Dianne Scarborough	7/3	Muriel Mohr	7/11	Alexis Alberts	7/19	Michael Hibbard	7/27
Erica Cunningham	7/4	Karen Petzold	7/11	Brian Bentley	7/19	Dusty Higgins	7/27
Jayson Mays	7/4	Norman Weiss	7/11	Matthias Grulce	7/19	Isabel Ketels	7/27
Kent Singer	7/4	Caden Wilson	7/11	Bret Holmes	7/19	Aaron Knoll	7/27
Barbara Smith	7/4	Bridgette Bodeis	7/12	Morgan Rader	7/19	Donna Osborn	7/27
Nicholas Wilson	7/4	Christopher Guelette	7/12	Nathan Staple	7/19	Dean Rohn	7/27
Raymond Coon	7/5	Shirley Petzold	7/12	Sally Wolfer	7/19	Diane Sebert	7/27
Madison Hoard	7/5	Scott Reinig	7/12	Brianna Burns	7/20	Lane Shoens	7/27
Danielle Ayotte	7/6	Laura Simon	7/12	David Carsten	7/20	Jane Albrecht	7/28
Paige Ayotte	7/6	Jeffery Sutton	7/12	Kevin Clouse	7/20	Mikayla Brow	7/28
Marie Fisher	7/6	Kristie White	7/12	Velva Cobanovich	7/20	David Daenzer	7/28
Richard Kolaja	7/6	Hannah Badgley	7/13	McKenna Decker	7/20	Paula Kukulski	7/28
Leslie Maxson	7/6	Lydia Bruner	7/13	Barbara Rude	7/20	Alicia Leach	7/28
David Rush	7/6	Brittney Cartner	7/13	Denise Wilcox	7/20	Chelsea Leach	7/28
Aaron Singer	7/6	Kathryn Hoard	7/13	Kaylie Coleman	7/21	Christy Ostrander	7/28
Timothy Singer	7/6	Elijah Kaiser	7/13	Nathaniel Okorowski	7/21	David Russell	7/28
Morgan Aulbert	7/7	Madalynn Paquette	7/13	Laura Sherman	7/21	Blake Bowman	7/29
Justin Binder	7/7	Lenora Schuler	7/13	Jessica Allen	7/22	Rebecca Dalton	7/29
Jeffrey Boerneke	7/7	Gabrielle Sherman	7/13	Linda Henderson	7/22	Anthony DeOrnellas	7/29
Richard Myers	7/7	Barton Coleman	7/14	Larry Keinath	7/22	Michael Kern	7/29
Virginia Osborn	7/7	Andrew Jaruzel	7/14	Addison Ley	7/22	Katelin Koeltzow	7/29
Heather Sergent	7/7	Kimberly Peche	7/14	Shirley Petzold	7/22	Larry Petzold	7/29
Joseph Shufelt	7/7	Patricia Petzold	7/14	Avery Ratza	7/22	Philip Petzold	7/29
Wendy Baker	7/8	Aurianna Rogers	7/14	Arlene Rodemsky	7/22	Glen Reinert	7/29
Amy France	7/8	Keith Woolwine	7/14	Chaise Wilson	7/22	Amy Yorke	7/29
Mark Paquette	7/8	Daryl Benish	7/15	Hunter Wirsing	7/22	Elizabeth Zeck	7/29
Karen Petzold	7/8	Megan Butterfield	7/15	Lindsey Anderson	7/23	Ryan Ames	7/30
Kirk Piar	7/8	Amanda Klauer	7/15	Dayna Snyder	7/23	Bethany Daenzer	7/30
Richard Rohde	7/8	Erin Thompson	7/15	Brianna Weber	7/23	Sierra Goodhue	7/30
Judith Atkins	7/9	Connie Titsworth	7/15	Ryan Woodward	7/23	Alexandra Rueger	7/30
Ethan Casto	7/9	Erik Torrey	7/15	Michele Alberts	7/24	Hans Schmandt	7/30
Renee Hecht	7/9	Cassandra Wood	7/15	Stephanie Erickson	7/24	Sherry Sebert	7/30
Angela Howe	7/9	Cassandra Wood	7/15	Tamara Simmons	7/24	Bonnie Wittum	7/30
Jenelle Keinath	7/9	Kelly Ames	7/16	Justin Steepe	7/24	Randy Wolverton	7/30
Amy Kennard	7/9	Mindy Harry	7/16	Kristie McCurdy	7/25	Douglas Bender	7/31
Ashley O'Dell	7/9	Robin Pease	7/16	Cheyene Pashby	7/25	Russell Hayden Jr.	7/31
Darwin Reinert	7/9	Dwight Rodammer	7/16	Tyler Reyna	7/25	Braxton Long	7/31
						Shane Reinig	7/31
						Constance Wells	7/31



***God's Richest Blessings
on Your Birthday!***

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*God gave you a gift of
86,400 seconds today.*

*Have you used one
to say "thank you?"*

~William A. Ward

Memorials / Serve & Volunteer / Financial Report / Misc.

July 2014

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Judy Leach	
General Fund	\$180.00
Computer Fund	\$100.00
Stephen Ministry	\$210.00
Kitchen Equipment	\$ 95.00
IN MEMORY OF Gladys Fischhaber	
General Fund	\$184.00
St. Paul Lutheran School	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 10.00
IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE MINISTRY OF Pastor Bruner	
Building Fund	\$100.00
IN MEMORY OF Paul (Pete) Hunt	
General Fund	\$680.00
St. Paul School Library	\$400.00
St. Paul School Technology Lab	\$600.00
Church Tape Ministry	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 95.00
St. Paul Pre-School	\$ 50.00
St. Paul Lutheran School	\$ 25.00
Designated by Memorial Com.	\$ 10.00
IN MEMORY OF John Abbas	
General Fund	\$25.00
IN APPRECIATION OF Contemporary Service & Music Send Out Cards	
	\$25.00
IN MEMORY OF Crystal Sebert	
General Fund	\$20.00
Christmas Decorations & Lights	\$20.00
IN MEMORY OF Donna Weiss	
Building Fund	\$20.00
IN MEMORY OF Rolland Gugel	
General Fund	\$20.00

Financial Report for Congregation – General Church Account

Carryover Deficit as of 4/30/14		(\$35,910.93)
May General Fund Income	\$83,540.02	
May Living the Parable	\$49.25	
General Fund Expenses	(\$101,987.66)	
+ / - for Month of May	(\$18,398.39)	
Ongoing Deficit to Date		(\$54,309.32)
+ / - For Current Fiscal Year 2013/2014 through 5/31/14		\$2,162.84
Monthly Givings - May		
Building Fund (Direct givings, Memorials, etc.)		\$10,080.00
Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials)		\$1,466.78
T.I.M. (Direct givings plus mission %)		\$882.49
VLHS (Direct givings plus mission %)		\$252.14
Energy Efficiency Fund Balance		\$12,044.75

2014 Messenger Sponsors

Messenger Sponsors are needed for the months of September, November & December. The cost is now \$125.00 per month to cover the postage. Please call the church office to reserve a month.

Did you know?

Our school participates with Frankenmuth Credit Union in the **School Spirit Check** program. They have specially designed checks with the St. Paul logo on them. For each box of checks members purchase, the credit union will donate \$2.00 to St. Paul.

Ministry Perks

2nd quarter earnings were \$13.66. Thank you to all who remembered to use your Ministry Perks card when making purchases at the Family Christian Bookstore! **What is the Ministry Perks Program?** Family Christian stores track all purchases made by perk card bearers at any of the Family Christian Stores. A rebate certificate equal to 5% of the total spent is sent to our church to use any products at FCS. Perk cards are available in the church office.

Homemade Apple Crisps and Apple Butter



Crisps and butter are for sale to help the 8th grade go to Washington D.C. Crisps are \$6.00 each and ready to bake, Butter is \$6.00 for a 1/2 pint and \$10.00 a pint. To order, sign up on glass case in the narthex or call the church office. Thank you!

Lutheran Study Bibles

Need a gift idea for confirmation, birthdays, etc? **Lutheran Study Bibles** are available in the church office for \$45.00.

Oh...A new baby!

We would love to welcome each and every one of them with a card and a special visit so, please let the church office know as soon as possible so we can celebrate too.



Independence Day
July 4th

Special Thanks

*God's Blessings to you, Mrs. Bickel and
Congratulations on your retirement!*



Mrs. Bickel at her retirement and sporting her new sunglasses!!

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

I have been blessed by the opportunity to serve our God with you for many years. Your children have been my joy! Your examples of Godly servanthood have been an inspiration. I **thank you** from the depth of my soul for your encouragement, kind words and generous gifts over the years and especially at last Sunday's retirement event.

It is my hope and prayer that our God will continue to use me to serve you. I ask your forgiveness for anything I may have said or done to knowingly or unknowingly hurt any one of you. I ask you to join me in thanking God for anything He has empowered us to do together. To God be the glory!

God's blessings & peace,
Elaine Bickel

Thank You!

My family and I have always loved Dennis, but we never knew so many others did also. We are still in shock over the outpouring of prayer, love and lasagna and we will never begin to thank you all so very much for everything. What a comfort you all have been, Pastor Bruner, Pastor Abatelli, Elaine and Karri, thank you for being there for my children when I could not be home yet. So many meals, calls and love; the delicious meal provided by Dorcas, the wonderful food at the funeral home, the amazing amount of people who came to tell Dennis goodbye. . . he would be so touched to see so many cared. If I live to be a hundred I will never be able to **thank you** all enough.

I love you all.
Betty DeOrnellas and family

**The only people with
whom you should try
to get even are those
who have helped you.**

~John E. Southard



Lutherans for Life

If they say...No one knows when life begins. You say...

If no one knew when a distinct human being comes into existence or if the unborn are alive, wouldn't that actually be a good reason to make abortion illegal? Because if we're not sure if the unborn are living human beings, then don't women having abortions take the risk of possibly signing the death sentence of a living human being?

Before buildings are imploded, those destroying the building make sure there are no humans inside or in the near vicinity. A person who claims it's okay to have an abortion because no one knows when life begins is like a structural engineer thinking it's okay to implode a building before making sure no one is in it. If we're not sure the unborn are alive, then we shouldn't destroy them until we're 100% positive they're not. This is why in the first few days after September 11, workers clearing the wreckage of the World Trade Center used their hands and buckets and not bulldozers because there was the possibility there could be living human beings underneath.

However, the above argument may be set aside because people who take the time to find out when human life begins will find a ready answer in the scientific field of embryology. Major embryology textbooks and any scientist with the slightest knowledge of prenatal development will testify to the scientific fact that when sperm and egg combine at conception the life of a distinct human being has begun.

How can something be growing and developing and not be alive? What other things grow, develop, mature and are not alive?

If they say...If our country makes abortion illegal thousands of women will be killed in brutal back-alley abortions. You say...

First, even if thousands of women died from illegal abortions that doesn't mean abortion should be legal. This argument only works if abortion doesn't kill a human being or else we should make armed robbery and murder legal because robbers and murderers are often killed while committing their crimes or trying to escape. The possibility that women may die from doing something illegal doesn't mean it should be made legal.

Second, statistics on women dying from illegal abortions disseminated by pro-abortion activists are often outright lies. According to the Centers for Disease Control, in 1972, the year before abortion was made legal throughout the country, 39 women died from illegal abortions while 24 women died from legal abortions.

In a 1960 American Journal of Health article, Planned Parenthood's then-medical director, Mary Calderone, concluded that "90% of all illegal abortions are presently done by physicians." So it seems the large majority of the "back-alley butchers" on January 21, 1973, magically became "caring doctors who believe in a woman's right to choose" on January 22, 1973. January 22, 1973, is the date when the U.S. Supreme Court handed down the Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions making abortion legal in every state through all nine months of pregnancy.

The complete guide can be found at: http://www.rtl.org/prolife_issues/iftheysay_abortion.html

"Babies are a gift from God—from the moment of conception. Every life is precious to God because He is the Creator of life (Jeremiah 1:5a)" *Kay Meyer, former director of development for Lutherans For Life – A "Life Quote"*
from Lutherans For Life · www.lutheransforlife.org

Abortion is forever – get the facts first

Daily Lectionary Calendar

DAILY LECTIONARY – July 2014
 Notes from: Prepare the Way of the Lord, Lessing and Steinmann, pp. 163 – 178 & 189 - 210

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>6</u> 4 th S. a. Pentecost Joshua 24:1-31 Acts 13:1-12 Ps. 100 & 5:1-8	<u>7</u> Judg. 2:6-23 Acts 13:13-41 Ps. 2:1-8 & 78:56-72	<u>8</u> Judg. 3:7-31 Acts 13:42-52 Ps. 16:5-11 & 139:12-18	<u>9</u> Judg. 4:1-24 Acts 14:1-18 Ps. 138:1-6 & 86:8-17	<u>10</u> Judg. 6:1-24 Acts 14:19 --15:5 Ps. 125 & 7:1-8	<u>11</u> Judg. 6:25-40 Acts 15:6-21 Ps. 5	<u>12</u> Judg. 7:1-23 Gal. 1:1-24 Ps. 118:10-18 & 108
<u>13</u> 5 th S. a. Pentecost Judg. 13:1-25 Gal. 2:1-21 Ps. 71	<u>14</u> Judg. 14:1-20 Gal. 3:1-22 Ps. 119:1-8 & 1	<u>15</u> Judg. 15:1--16:3 Gal. 3:23 --4:11 Ps. 33:13-22 & 27	<u>16</u> Judg. 16:4-30 Gal. 4:12-31 Ps. 21	<u>17</u> 1 Sam. 1:1-20 Gal. 5:1-26 Ps. 92	<u>18</u> 1 Sam. 1:21--2:17 Gal. 6:1-18 Ps. 20 & 131	<u>19</u> 1 Sam. 2:18-36 Acts 15:22-41 Ps. 82 & 136
<u>20</u> 6 th S. a. Pentecost 1 Sam. 3:1-21 Acts 16:1-22 Ps. 119:57-64 & 115:9-18	<u>21</u> 1 Sam. 4:1-22 Acts 16:23-40 Ps. 106	<u>22</u> 1 Sam. 5:1--6:3,10-16 Acts 18:1-11, 23-28 Ps. 137:1-7 & 56	<u>23</u> 1 Sam. 6:19 -- 7:17 Acts 19:1-22 Ps. 119:113-120 & 141	<u>24</u> 1 Sam. 8:1-22 Acts 21:15-36 Ps. 24	<u>25</u> 1 Sam. 9:1-27 Acts 21:37 -- 22:16 Ps. 63:1-8 & 149	<u>26</u> 1 Sam. 10:1-27 Acts 22:17-29 Ps. 69:30-35 & 70
<u>27</u> 7 th S. a. Pentecost 1 Sam. 12:1-25 Acts 22:30 -- 23:11 Ps. 119:17-24 & 141	<u>28</u> 1 Sam. 13:1-18 Acts 23:12-35 Ps. 59:1-5 & 57	<u>29</u> 1 Sam. 14:47 -- 15:9 Acts 24:1-23 Ps. 119:41-48 & 13	<u>30</u> 1 Sam. 15:10-35 Acts 24:24 -- 25:12 Ps. 50:1-6 & 130	<u>31</u> 1 Sam. 16:1-23 Acts 25:13-27 Ps. 80		

JUDGES: The book of Judges is not a memorial to Israel's heroes of yesteryear as much as it is a testimony to Yahweh's gracious resolve to preserve his people by answering their cries of distress and providing for their salvation. God could not rescind Israel's election because of his promises to the patriarchs; as he says, "I will never break my covenant with you." Yahweh's love is irrevocable and so he is Israel's Savior. ---- Judges 2:11 -- 3:9 is the theological center of the book. Its message may be illustrated using A, B, C, and D: **A**postasy, Israel sins (Judg 2:11); **B**attering, Yahweh disciplines his people (Judg 2:14); **C**rying out is Israel's only hope (Judg 3:9); and **D**eilverance, Yahweh raises up judges to save his people (Judg 2:16). Tragically, this sequence repeats itself over and over again. The only solution is God's gift of the monarchy. This becomes the main theme in 1 and 2 Samuel.

SAMUEL: In English Bibles, the book of Samuel is divided into two volumes, a division that most likely first appeared when Samuel was translated into Greek sometime before Christ. The last years of the judges and the reign of Saul are covered in 1 Samuel, while the reign of David is depicted in 2 Samuel. ---- ... the narrative of Samuel is knit together not by the human characters but by Yahweh. The book's literary goal is to portray God as the one who deals patiently and mercifully with sinners—Israel as a whole as well as its leaders—Eli, Samuel, Saul, David, ... and others. The skillful literary weaving together of the events of Israel's history is designed to show the readers that their God is gracious despite human failings, joyful when humans respond to his love in faith and obedience, and long-suffering with human failures and recalcitrance. ... God holds those whom he has placed in positions of authority especially accountable for their sins because their actions affect those whom they rule. Thus, Saul's decisions have dire consequences of all



July Schedule



Acolytes

July			
5	7:30PM		Corey Daenzer & Tim
6	8:30AM		Katherine Weber & Duane
6	11AM		Kaitlyn Ill & Jeff
12	7:30PM		Mason Lugg
13	8:30AM		Evan Hoard & Ethan
13	11AM		Timmy David
19	7:30PM		Dustin & Sydney Bishop
20	8:30AM		Joshua Allen & Justin
20	11AM		Abby Brown & Tim
26	7:30PM		Kaitlyn Ill & Jeff
27	8:30AM		Tyler Bentley & Brian
27	11AM		Jack Shreve

Greeters

First Sunday	8:30AM	Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy Ill
	11:00AM	Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims
Second Sunday	8:30AM	
	11:00AM	LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel
Second Saturday	7:30PM	Bill Bleuer & Betty Bleuer
Third Sunday	8:30AM	Natalie Smith
	11:00AM	Rosie Horning, Dale & Pam Hanlin
Third Saturday	7:30PM	Laura Sherman
Fourth Sunday	8:30AM	Jim Bickel
	11:00AM	Jason & Heather Jones
Fifth Sunday	8:30AM	Donna Torrey
	11:00AM	Steve & Nila Schmandt
Greeter Subs – Denise Miller (871-2675), Sherry Sebert (871-3084)		

Ushers

8:30AM

Captain	Glenn Brown	Brian Meier
Assistant	Vic Reinert	Ron Schiefer
	Ricks Anderson	Matt Singer
	John Hergenreder	Bob Wager
	Mike Kern	Bill Weber
	Nate Kern	Duane Weber
	Tim Kern	Ed White

11AM

Captain	Mark Rude	Larry Henderson
Assistant	Tim Brown	Jason Ketels
	Matt Ayotte	Arlyn Marks
	Tedd Burton	Eddie Meeks
	Tim Daenzer	Rod Wilson

7:30PM

Captain	Jeffrey Yorke
	Chad Fackler
	Marc Keinath

Church Sextons

Mathew & Angela Ayotte	Ted & Katrina Wager
Ron & Ruth Mieske	Rod & Nancy Wilson
Ed & Marcia Keinath	

Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Amy Yorke
8:30AM - Angie Zeck
11AM - Betty DeOrnellas/Melissa Keinath



Youth News

412 Youth Jr. High & High School Ministry July Events

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." 1st Timothy 4:12

TUESDAY, JULY 8TH 6-8PM

Youth Night

EXTREME YOUTH ROOM MAKEOVER & ICE CREAM

We will be scraping off old paint, re-painting, dusting, vacuuming, and scrubbing down the Youth Room tonight. So wear some old clothes and get your cleaning on!

TUESDAY, JULY 15TH 6-8PM

Youth Night

MOVIE CLIP: PAY IT FORWARD

Not only do we need to understand the true purpose of good works, but more importantly, to understand God's grace and the fruits of faith.

TUESDAY, JULY 22ND 6-8PM

TOPIC: NAVIGATING THE WORLD AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

In previous decades teenagers depended on books and teachers to learn new information. They waited eagerly for letters to arrive with the postman, and using a telephone was a rare privilege. In the 21st century, our lives are filled with convenience, speed and awesome advances in technology. Phones are no longer attached to walls, and we can have "face-to-face" conversations on our video screen whether we're across the room, across town or across an ocean. God has created people to seek knowledge and given us a desire to feel connected to others. Sometimes, though, our phones, laptops, and tablets go places they shouldn't go, show us things we shouldn't see and share ideas that we wouldn't or shouldn't share.

TUESDAY, JULY 29TH 6-8PM

PIZZA, POP & MOVIE NIGHT (PIZZA IS \$1/SLICE, POP IS \$1/CAN)

MOVIE: YOU AGAIN?!

July 2014

Calendar of St. Paul Lutheran Church Activities

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 7:30PM AA	2 6PM Worship Team	3 🎵 6:15PM Praise Team	4	5 📖 7:30PM Worship
6 Faithful Freedom 📖 8:30AM Worship+C <i>Church Choir</i> 9:45AM Bible Study 📖 11AM Worship <i>Church Choir</i>	7	8 6-8PM Youth 7:30PM AA	9 6PM Worship Team 7PM Council	10 🎵 6:15PM Praise Team	11	12 📖 7:30PM Worship+C
13 📖 8:30AM Worship 9:45AM Bible Study 📖 11AM Worship+C	14 7PM Stephen Ministry	15 6-8PM Youth 7:30PM AA	16 6PM Worship Team	17 🎵 6:15PM Praise Team	18 <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	19 📖 7:30PM Worship
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