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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

August 2014

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



A Message from Pastor Bruner

*The August Messenger is
sponsored in honor of Ron &
Wanda Johnson on their
50th wedding anniversary.*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This article will focus on the fact that days are getting shorter. We may not notice it right now, but there is less daylight each day. We may not worry about it, but eventually we are forced to alter our plans because of it. We resort to prioritizing what we really want to accomplish when there is less time available: vacation, outside projects, preparation for the upcoming school year and the church's mission. What we "want" to do is pushed aside for what "needs" to be done. Many people in our church have experienced this shortening of time issue. That is why it is good that God has provided what we needed.

I truly thank God that we were able to contract Mr. Brian Titsworth as principal and Mrs. Christy Ostrander as seventh grade teacher. These two people are wonderful additions to the existing faculty and staff. They have the same passion for the education of children, which complements what I have witnessed in our school for many years. There has been much accomplished since they signed their contracts. There is still much to be done in the upcoming year.

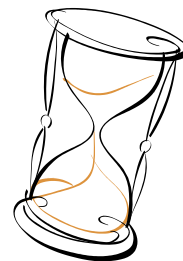
They are both interested in pursuing the colloquy (call-o-queue) certification in order to become synodically rostered teachers. Please pray that God would show our congregation the proper time to start the call process and whether either of these new people should be considered before they finish their course work. Regardless, I believe that Mr. Titsworth and Mrs. Ostrander will serve us well each day of the new school year.

As the days of summer passed, I was continually grateful to God for the years of service provided by Mrs. Elaine Bickel and Mr. David Kaiser (as well as Erika). It was also evident how blessed we are to have so many dedicated people working on the Boards of Education and Salary and Personnel. I want everyone to know that the great amount of effort they have exerted has been fruitful, even though there is still more work to be done.

As referenced earlier, losing precious time has been on my mind. The days of summer are growing short, and so is the time for our Lord's return. Jesus could return at any time, and yet there is still work to be done (Luke 12:35-48). This truth (and maybe my age) has led me to think about what are the priorities for St. Paul Lutheran. There is so much more that I want to share, but I assure you that each of us has much to do in the church before Jesus returns. I hope that we all will consider how we can use the time we have to grow in our faith and then share this faith with others. Our Lord will help our faith grow as we spend time in the Word of God, reflect on what a blessing it is to be a Baptized child of God, and receive as often as possible the forgiveness God gives through the Sacrament of the Altar.

I hope and pray that we will consider how to use our time carefully and wisely. Life is a precious gift to enjoy. There is also a life to come. We have the Good News that can help others experience both in the way God intended. Spend some of your time seeking God's guidance on how He would want you to use the time that is left.

Remember – you matter to God and you matter to me,
Pastor James Bruner



Spiritual News

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

Bible Study – Led by Pastor Bruner in the Library.



The
Lutheran Hour

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

August 3rd

"Well Fed" - Matthew 14:13-21

August 10th

"When In Doubt" - Matthew 14:22-33

August 17th

"Testing" - Matthew 15:21-28

August 24th

"Your Final Answer?" - Matthew 16:15-16

August 31st

"Virtues for Christian Living" - Romans 12:9-21

August Meetings

Special Voters' Meeting

Sun., Aug. 3rd at 1:30PM

Agenda: Membership changes & budget

Council

Wed., Aug. 6th at 7PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., Aug. 11th & 25th at 7PM

Voters' Assembly Meeting

Wed., Aug. 13th at 7:30PM

Trustees

Sun., Aug. 13th at 6PM

Note the date change

Elders

Wed., Aug. 27th at 7:30PM

Musical Opportunities

Worship Team

Wednesdays at 6PM



Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM

August Scripture Readings

August 3rd

Isaiah 55:1-5

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:13-21

August 10th

Job 38:4-18

Romans 10:5-17

Matthew 14:22-33

August 17th

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32

Matthew 15:21-28

August 24th

Proverbs 3:1-8

2 Cor. 4:7-10

Luke 22:24-30

August 31st

Jeremiah 15:15-21

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

New Stephen Ministry Classes

Get Together - Some activities are better done alone, like brushing your teeth or playing solitaire. Some activities are better and more satisfying when you work with others. Stephen Ministry is one of those get-it-done-together ministries. Stephen Ministers meet regularly with another person to provide care. They also meet with other Stephen Ministers to support and encourage one another. Stephen Leaders provide training and supervision. When Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers work together, God accomplishes wonderful things! Is God calling you to get together with this team? **New classes** will be on Mondays at 7PM beginning September 29th. For more information contact Paul Schoenkecht 871-2280, Laurel Woodward 871-4969 or 989-550-6868 or Pastor Bruner 871-4581.

Worship Service Change

Worship Services for the weekend of

Aug. 16th & 17th are as follows:

Saturday at 7:30PM

Sunday - **One service only at 10AM** with communion

New - Monday at 7:30PM

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.

Special Voters' Meeting

Sun., Aug. 3rd at 1:30PM

Agenda: Membership changes and 2014-15 budget

Voters' Assembly Meeting

Wednesday, August 13th at 7:30PM

If you are a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, 18 years or older, you can become a voting member by attending a meeting and asking to join. After you have been received as a voting member, you are eligible to vote at the following meeting.

Millington Old Fashioned Days Festival

August 14-17

Please come and support our St. Paul booths!

Fish Booth

If you are able to help, please contact the school office 871-4581. Money earned goes to PTL to help support the school.



Hot Dog Booth

Enjoy a hot dog with the works at the 8th grade booth. The money earned will go toward their Washington D.C. trip in September.



Dorcas Bake Sale

Fri., Aug. 15th at 9AM near Fairway

Your help in making baked goods is more than welcome. Items can be dropped off at 8:30AM.

Senior Citizen Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by the Millington Ministerial Alliance

Fri., Aug. 15th at 8AM at the Millington Baptist Church

Hymn Sing

The Millington Ministerial Alliance is looking for anyone interested in doing a musical special for the **Hymn Sing** on Sun., Aug. 17th. Call the church office if interested.

Elaine Bickel Retirement Roast

Let's have a toast for the Elaine Bickel Roast.



Have you heard her speak at conferences? Now it is time to "pay it forward," and honor her with a roast on her behalf. A day of fun for the whole family.

Please tell all your friends, schools and churches about this event. We want to pack the house!!

When: Sunday, August 24th

Time: 1:30p.m.

Where: St. Paul Activity Center

Free will donation at door.

Ice cream social in the Parish Hall following the event.

Any questions, or if you would like to "take part" in this event, please call church office 871-4581 ext. 3.

Important Meeting

Mon., Aug. 25th at 7PM in the church.

This meeting is for **ALL St. Paul 8th Graders and Parents**. This is an important, mandatory meeting to go over the religion curriculum for the school year. Please make every effort to attend. If questions, call the church office.

Confirmation Meeting

Mon., Aug. 25th at 7PM in the church.

This mandatory meeting is for all parents and students planning on taking the Public School Confirmation classes. We will cover the Confirmation requirements and answer any questions you may have.

Christian Music Concert & Cedar Point Trip

Saturday, September 13th

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

Prices:

Admission Ticket + Bus Seat: \$62.50

Admission Ticket + PointFest Ticket + Bus Seat: \$67.50

Order forms can be found in the narthex or church office. Please return form to church office with checks made payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church by Thurs., Aug. 7th.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline
Fri., August 15th



August Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



Kenneth Damm	8/1	Garry Knapp	8/10	Jennifer Herrick	8/17	Jake Finatri	8/25
Susan Figgins	8/1	Janet Love	8/10	Cynthia Jensen	8/17	Alicia Griesing	8/25
Micheal Harrington	8/1	Brandi Murphy	8/10	Megan Russell	8/17	Adam Jacobs	8/25
Jody Hunt	8/1	Jason Smith	8/10	Bethany Severn	8/17	David Lyons	8/25
Neil Kabat	8/1	Kathleen ILL	8/11	Kendall Steepe	8/17	Rylie Mills	8/25
Sharon Mitchell	8/1	Kenneth ILL	8/11	Patricia Wahl	8/17	Emma Mitchell	8/25
Olga Nims	8/1	Timothy Keinath	8/11	Tori Duve	8/18	Michael Reinert	8/25
Richard O'Connor	8/1	Tiffany Matzke	8/11	Jeffrey ILL	8/18	Matthew Blue	8/26
Easton Ruppel	8/1	Brayden Rondo	8/11	Alyson Jacobs	8/18	Ryan Damm	8/26
Kellie Sherman	8/1	Felicia Ball	8/12	Christina Petzold	8/19	Janel Dues	8/26
Patrick Allen	8/2	Kay Horning	8/12	Hayden Rader	8/19	John Hergenreder	8/26
Chad Engelhart	8/2	Jessica Lenk	8/12	Ronald Schiefer	8/19	Thomas Keinath	8/26
Jeremy Frahm	8/2	Carolyn Petzold	8/12	Kevin Adelberg	8/20	Laura Oliver	8/26
Aubrie Laplow	8/2	Matthew Singer	8/12	Courtney Baker	8/20	Teresa Powell	8/26
Charles Michael	8/2	Steven Titsworth	8/12	Susie Balcom	8/20	Kaiden Reinert	8/26
Amanda Roth	8/2	Karen White	8/12	Rosanna Grzebinski	8/20	Mark Reinert	8/26
Jeremy Colman	8/3	Gary Woelzlein II	8/12	Nikolas Jensen	8/20	Emmitt Stiff	8/26
Alexis Reinert	8/3	Patricia Ziegler	8/12	Easten Myers	8/20	Daniel Weber	8/26
Evan Reinert	8/3	Kelsey Howay	8/13	Kayla Osborn	8/20	Eric Heuchert	8/27
Beverly Wanamaker	8/3	Wanda Johnson	8/13	Alicia Rosebush	8/20	Olivia Ostrander	8/27
Joshua Bailey	8/4	Erin Schmandt	8/13	Heidi Tyree	8/20	Vicky Petzold	8/27
Stephen Ley	8/4	Bryan St. Onge	8/13	Erica Johnson	8/21	Charles Turner	8/27
Bradley Nielson	8/4	Dale Todd	8/13	Jacob Koch	8/21	Aryha Wendland	8/27
Francis Rosebush	8/4	Brynn Bearss	8/14	Teresa Malace	8/21	Hailey Brown	8/28
Brenda Ruppel	8/4	Kathryn DeOrnellas	8/14	John Mallard	8/21	Tina Dale	8/28
Jean Skank	8/4	Shelly DuRussel	8/14	Matthew McGraw	8/21	Gary Lince	8/28
Larry Beagle	8/5	Victor Fabbro	8/14	Tyler White	8/21	Kathryn Pennington	8/28
Jon Carnet	8/5	Stacey Force	8/14	Michael Aguirre	8/22	Andrew Rogers	8/28
Nathan Dalton	8/5	Heath Keinath	8/14	Lindsey Allen	8/22	Paul Schoenknecht	8/28
Matthew Grulke	8/5	Timothy Kern	8/14	Drake Carlyon	8/22	Amy Viano	8/28
Lorie Keinath	8/5	Aaron Reinbold	8/14	Emma Dalton	8/22	Justen Witmer	8/28
Scott Raymond	8/5	Hannah Sergent	8/14	Jacob ILL	8/22	John Barnum	8/29
William Sherman	8/5	Beverly Baldwin	8/15	Alexander Johnson	8/22	Mary Davison	8/29
Kristopher Watchpocket	8/5	Norman Brueggemann Jr.	8/15	Andria Kern	8/22	Nicholas Ewing	8/29
Garret Woodward	8/5	Donna Duranseau	8/15	Masen O'Neil	8/22	Jeffrey Higgins	8/29
Andrew Conrad	8/6	Stephanie Hanlin	8/15	Mark Rude	8/22	Julie Keinath	8/29
Ronald Schnell	8/7	Kathryn Matzke	8/15	Kenneth Sebert	8/22	Terry Keinath	8/29
Alexandria Sergent	8/7	Lisa Mohr	8/15	Penny Younger	8/22	Vincent McCurdy	8/29
Thomas Shufelt	8/7	Heather Selich	8/15	Danielle Fritz	8/23	Aliyah Raymond	8/29
Keith Brown III	8/8	Charles Daenzer	8/16	John Sergent	8/23	Diane Selich	8/29
Bonnie Fall	8/8	Roy Kauer	8/16	Mary Sutton	8/23	Connie Singer	8/29
Adam Knoll	8/8	Judith Kolaja	8/16	Michael Albert	8/24	Geraldine Stange	8/29
Andrew Lugg	8/8	Maureen Kralik	8/16	Brandon David	8/24	Kathryn Abatelli	8/30
Cassie Allard	8/9	Alyssa Okorowski	8/16	Madilyn Draper	8/24	Kathleen Badgley	8/30
Alicia Bellows	8/9	Collin Paquette	8/16	Troy Dues	8/24	Dawn Devereaux	8/30
Dale Hanlin	8/9	Ashton Porter	8/16	Jonathon Hoard	8/24	Edward Hunt	8/30
Diane Prusi	8/9	Malachi Wager	8/16	Allison Klauer	8/24	Pamela ILL	8/30
James Stratton	8/9	Mason Wolfington	8/16	Lori Reinert	8/24	Jason Jones	8/30
Haley Turner	8/9	Lisa Daenzer	8/17	Scott Reinert	8/24	Hunter White	8/30
Katherine Werner	8/9	Shannon Decker	8/17	Jodi Williams	8/24	Jason Hiles	8/31
Jeremy Kern	8/10	Gerald Gross	8/17	Joann Woelzlein	8/24	Larna Peterson	8/31
						Travis Schiefer	8/31
						Peyton Woolwine	8/31



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

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Life is Not a Race. . .

*Do not undermine your worth by comparing yourself with others.
It is because we are different that each of us is special.*

*Do not set your goals by what other people deem important.
Only you know what is best for you.*

*Do not take for granted the things closest to your heart.
Cling to them as you would your life, for without them, life is meaningless.*

*Do not let your years slip through your fingers by living in the past, nor in the future.
By living your life one day at a time, you live all the days of your life.*

*Do not give up when you still have something to give.
Nothing is really over until the moment you stop trying.*

*Do not be afraid to encounter risks.
It is by taking chances that we learn how to be brave.*

*Do not shut love out of your life by saying it is impossible to find.
The quickest way to receive love is to give love; the fastest way to lose love is to hold it too tightly.*

*Do not dismiss your dreams.
To be without dreams is to be without hope; to be without hope is to be without purpose.*

*Do not run through life so fast that you forget not only where you have been,
But also where you are going.*

*Life is not a race,
But a journey to be savored each step of the way.*



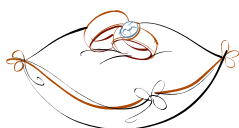
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MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Dennis DeOrnellas	
General Fund	\$180.00
Building Fund	\$1540.00
St. Paul School	\$20.00
Board of Trustees	\$45.00
Giving Tree	\$725.00
Stephens Ministry	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Paul Hunt	
Building Fund	\$10.00
IN HONOR OF Elaine Bickel	
General Fund	\$20.00
To Be Designated by Elaine Bickel	\$50.00
St. Paul School	\$30.00
IN HONOR OF Linda Henderson and Dianne Weber	
General Fund	\$20.00
IN MEMORY OF Wallace Haubenstricker	
Building Fund	\$5.00
IN MEMORY OF Carl Straub	
General Fund	\$175.00
Building Fund	\$300.00
St. Paul School	\$630.00
IN MEMORY OF Paris Rogers	
General Fund	\$1270.00
Building Fund	\$10.00
St. Paul School	\$100.00
Stephens Ministry	\$110.00
To be designated by Memorial Comm.	\$25.00
IN MEMORY OF Wilma List	
General Fund	\$500.00
IN HONOR OF David & Erika Kaiser	
St. Paul School	\$10.00
WITH THANKSGIVING OF my 90 th birthday and 90 years with St. Paul - Erna Reinert	
General Fund	\$100.00
IN HONOR OF Erna Reinert's 90 th birthday	
General Fund	\$105.00

Congratulations on your upcoming wedding!



*Claudia Brown & Bryan Wilson
August 9th*

Hot Dog Booth

The 8th Graders are asking for donations to help support the **Hot Dog Booth** during the Millington Old Fashioned Festival. **Items needed:** Cases of Bottled Water, Napkins, Hamburg (90 pounds), Liquid Hand Soap, Large Trash Bags, Plastic Spoons, Hand Sanitizer, and Plastic Gloves. Monetary donations are welcome also to help offset the cost of supplies. If you can donate any of the above, please bring to the church or school office. Thank you for your help!!

Fall Bible Sale

Now is the time to start thinking about gifts for Christmas, birthdays, Confirmation, etc. The **Fall Bible Sale** from Concordia Publishing House is here. Discounts can be found on The Lutheran Study Bible, the New Lutheran Bible Companion, The Story Bible, and much more. A sign up sheet can be found on the glass case in the narthex, or call the church office to order by Mon., Sept. 15th. We will let you know the total amount due with shipping when we place the order.

Missing Jelly Roll Pan

If anyone has accidentally taken home a 10x15 **jelly roll pan** and noticed they have an extra one, please call Erna Reinert at 871-3218. It has been missing since the Heritage Picnic.

2014 Messenger Sponsors

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



SUMMER
TIME

Financial Report for Congregation – General Church Account

Carryover Deficit as of 5/31/14		(54,309.32)
June General Fund Income	\$72,540.42	
General Fund Expenses	(\$91,913.92)	
+ / - for Month of June	(\$19,373.50)	
Ongoing Deficit to Date		(\$73,682.82)
+ / - For Current Fiscal Year 2013/2014 through 6/30/14		(\$17,210.66)
Monthly Givings - June		
Building Fund (Direct givings, Memorials, etc.)	\$14,467.80	
Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials)	\$1,368.88	
T.I.M. (Direct givings plus mission %)	\$800.94	
VLHS (Direct givings plus mission %)	\$228.84	
Energy Efficiency Fund Balance	\$12,044.75	

Lutherans For Life / Special Thanks

The Hobby Lobby Supreme Court Decision

Category: Abortion, Bioethics, Worldview and Culture, Contraception

Lutherans for Life (LFL) rejoices that the U.S. Supreme Court, in its ruling in *Sebelius v. Hobby Lobby*, upheld the constitution and protected religious liberty for all Americans. This was not a pro-life v. pro-abortion issue. People on both sides of the abortion issue and people of all religious faiths should be united in praising this decision. The decision, in line with the U.S. Constitution, limits the government from forcing others—in this case a company—to operate in such a way as to violate their religious beliefs. This is more than a victory for people of faith. This is a victory for the people of a free America. We are grateful for Hobby Lobby's stand on their religious principles. Please join us in thanking the Lord of the nations for this ruling. (There has been a lot of propaganda regarding this decision that is false and misleading, read and learn more at Lutheransforlife.org or RTL.org.)

Planned Parenthood awards affiliate for providing more abortions

Abortion advocates often claim they want abortion to be safe, legal and rare. If Planned Parenthood really wanted fewer abortions, then they would congratulate their centers for performing fewer abortions, right? The reality is the opposite. An abortion clinic employee, who recently left her job, provided a prolife ministry a photo of certificate of achievement given out by Planned Parenthood of Rocky Mountains to its Aurora clinic "for exceeding abortion visits" compared to the year before. Learn more about Planned Parenthood's abortion agenda at www.RTL.org.

Life Thoughts from Lutherans for Life

Whether it be the evils of abortion or the assaults on biblical marriage, it becomes easier to attack people rather than confront the evil. We end up fighting evil with evil. But the way of Christ is different. "Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them" (Romans 12:14). "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (12:21). Prayer: Jesus, help us boldly confront evil and compassionately deal with those caught up in it. Amen.

Separation of Church and State

Have you ever wondered what the founders of this great nation meant when they spoke of "Separation of Church and State"? David Barton has written an inexpensive 20 page booklet (all documented) with information on the intent of our founders. Go to www.wallbuilders.com – or call 810.750.5026 for a free copy.

Abortion is forever – Get the facts first

Resource Centers: www.rtl.org www.lifenews.com www.prghelp@sbcglobal.net
www.fentonrighttolife.org www.lutheransforlife.org



Dear Friends of St. Paul Lutheran,

It has been quite odd not heading south on M-15 to complete summer tasks at St. Paul Lutheran School. We will never forget what this wonderful congregation has done for our family. We wanted to take the time to say **thank you** for not only the prayers, cards, and gifts that you have given us, but to say thank you for being our family. When we did not have family close to us, you accepted us as your son and daughter. We truly appreciate the hard work and effort you gave to support Erika, Elijah, Emma, and myself. We pray that God would lead the right candidates to St. Paul to continue His ministry there. We miss you but will NEVER forget you. God bless you each one of you. We love you all.

God's Blessings and Peace,

David, Erika, Emma, and Elijah Kaiser

Thank you for the prayers said on my behalf as I had a safe journey to Guatamala and back. The mission was very rewarding and many people were served with eyeglasses and children through Vacation Bible School. Blessings Always,
Janette Keinath

Mark Your Calendar - September Events

Adult Instruction Classes

Do you have questions about the Bible, the world, suffering, right and wrong, forgiveness, the purpose for your life?

Get answers and discover what a relationship with Christ is about during our Adult Instruction Class "The Real Truth."

In this class, we will look at the myths about Christ and His teachings, and then explore the truth about Christ and His teachings.

We will provide you with a study booklet and "Luther's Small Catechism." If you do not own a Bible, we will also make sure you get your own.

Begins: Sunday, Sept. 7th

Time: 9:45AM

Place: St. Paul Lutheran Church

Interested? Please call our office at 989-871-4581 ext. 3, so we can prepare materials at no cost to you. After attending these classes, if you desire, you can become a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Adult Confirmation will be Sun., Jan. 11th.

We look forward to seeing you!

Sunday School

Sunday School classes for all ages will begin Sun., Sept. 7th from 9:45-10:45AM. The rooms will be labeled for each age group. We will meet each week September through May. The lessons, activities and songs will follow Concordia's schedule of Bible stories. Plan to join us as we explore God's word and His plan for our lives. We will enjoy fellowship and lively activities throughout the year. Learning is fun when we spend time together. Invite your friends. Teachers and helpers are needed on a part time basis. Please consider helping for 3 months. The Bible and activities are planned and available for you. Any confirmed member is welcome to help. Call Lori Osborn with questions or to volunteer 989-205-9873.

Storyhour

Storyhour will begin Tues., Sept. 9th from 9-11AM in the Youth Room. We will meet every Tuesday throughout the school year. We will learn how God guides us and loves us every day. We will explore Bible stories and participate in activities, songs, crafts, and a snack. This energetic, busy group will have fun and learn as we play. This is a free program for all preschool children. No pre-registration is required. Please tell everyone you know and invite the children to share in the fun. If you have questions, please call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873 or come in and join the fun any Tuesday morning.

Quilting

Quilting Workshops will begin Tues., Sept. 9th from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall. No experience is needed! If you can trace a square or cut on the line, you can quilt!! If you can tie a knot or sew a straight line, you can quilt!! Please consider coming in and joining the fun. This is a rewarding activity and hobby for me. I look forward to spending time with my quilting friends, and hope to see you there. Each week we will make quilts for the World Relief donations and quilts for people in need both locally and throughout Michigan. God will direct us to the needs we can help fill. We also make beautiful quilts to be sold at the Dorcas Bazaar in November. This helps to fund our quilt projects. We receive many generous donations and many hours are given by the faithful sewing ladies. Thank you all, and continue the good work. We can use material, thread, sheets, blankets, jeans, and volunteers. Please bring to the church office or the Parish Hall on Tuesdays. If questions, please call the church office or Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Bazaar Craft Workshop

Craft Workshop Sat., Sept. 13th from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall. The Dorcas Bazaar will be here soon. We continue to make crafts at home and at school on the 2nd Saturday of each month. We have supplies and ideas. We need more willing hands to join the fun. Do you have a favorite craft you could share with us? Maybe you make something or have an idea - consider bringing it to our Saturday workshops. Please share your creative projects or just come in and work on your hobby while we spend time together. Bring your own supplies and sit with friends. Spend an hour or two and discover something new. Many people make items at home and we welcome donated items to be sold at the bazaar. This helps us to have a large variety of items. The proceeds from the Bazaar are used in our mission projects in our church, school and community. The kid's day of the bazaar will be Thurs., Nov 6th. On this day all of the school children will be allowed to shop at the bazaar. We make many items just for them. The children look forward to this each year. The prices are low and the variety of items is great. Watch the Messenger and bulletin for details of how you can help get ready for this big, exciting project.

Daily Lectionary Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>TLSB p. 527: <u>Challenges for Readers</u> – <i>Chronology</i>. Often, 1 and 2 Kings switch focus between different sources of information about the Judean and Israelite kings. As a result, the order of the history is not strictly chronological.</p> <p><u>Blessings for Readers</u> – As you read 1 and 2 Kings, take note of how intimately the LORD is involved in the lives of Israel's leaders, punishing their sins and forgiving them when they repent. Also note how the leaders set examples for the people, making their decisions even more important.</p>						
<p>3 8th S. a. Pentecost</p> <p>1 Sam. 17:48 --18:9 Acts 27:9-26 Ps. 68</p>	<p>4 1 Sam. 18:10-30 Acts 27:27-44 Ps. 56</p>	<p>5 1 Sam. 19:1-24 Acts 28:1-15 Ps. 21</p>	<p>6 1 Sam. 20:1-23 Acts 28:16-31 Ps. 92</p>	<p>7 1 Sam. 20:24-42 1 Cor. 1:1-25 Ps. 144</p>	<p>8 1 Sam. 24:1-22 1 Cor. 1:26 -- 2:16 Ps. 62</p>	<p>9 1 Sam. 25:1-22 1 Cor. 3:1-23 Ps. 94</p>
<p>10 9th S. a. Pentecost</p> <p>1 Sam. 25:23-44 1 Cor. 4:1-21 Ps. 14, 53</p>	<p>11 1 Sam. 26:1-25 1 Cor. 5:1-13 Ps. 51</p>	<p>12 1 Sam. 28:3-25 1 Cor. 6:1-20 Ps. 99</p>	<p>13 1 Sam. 31:1-13 1 Cor. 7:1-24 Ps. 68</p>	<p>14 2 Sam. 1:1-27 1 Cor. 7:25-40 Ps. 33</p>	<p>15 2 Sam. 5:1-25 1 Cor. 8:1-13 Ps. 132</p>	<p>16 2 Sam. 6:1-19 1 Cor. 9:1-23 Ps. 11, 84</p>
<p>17 10th S. a. Pentecost</p> <p>2 Sam. 7:1-17 1 Cor. 9:24 -- 10:22 Ps. 24</p>	<p>18 2 Sam. 7:18-29 1 Cor. 10:23 -- 11:16 Ps. 107:1-9, 106:1-5</p>	<p>19 2 Sam. 11:1-27 1 Cor. 11:17-34 Ps. 12, 22:14-21</p>	<p>20 2 Sam. 12:1-25 1 Cor. 12:1-13 Ps. 51</p>	<p>21 1 Kings 1:1-4, 15-35 Cor. 12:14-31 Ps. 139</p>	<p>22 1 Kings 2:1-27 1 Cor. 13:1-13 Ps. 97</p>	<p>23 1 Kings 3:1-15 2 Cor. 1:1-22 Ps. 111:1-3, 9:10; 49</p>
<p>24</p> <p>1 Kings 5:1-18 2 Cor. 1:23 -- 2:17 Ps. 27</p>	<p>25 1 Kings 7:51 -- 8:21 2 Cor. 3:1-18 Ps. 32</p>	<p>26 1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63 2 Cor. 4:1-18 Ps. 36</p>	<p>27 1 Kings 9:1-9; 10:1-13 2 Cor. 5:1-21 Ps. 72</p>	<p>28 1 Kings 11:1-26 Cor. 6:1-18 Ps. 48</p>	<p>29 1 Kings 11:42-- 12:19 2 Cor. 7:1-16 Ps. 17</p>	<p>30 1 Kings 12:20 -- 13:5, 33-34 2 Cor. 8:1-24 Ps. 29:1-4, 10:11; 75</p>
<p>31 12th S. a. Pentecost</p> <p>1 Kings 16:29 -- 17:24 2 Cor. 9:1-15 Ps. 68:15-20, 70</p>	<p>TLSB: p. 527: <u>Blessings for Readers</u> – Consider your spiritual and political leaders. Pray that the Lord would guide them to make wise decisions and that He would deliver them from evil. Likewise, consider your own plans and conduct and the effect they may have on the future of your family, congregation, and community. Through the blessings and promises extended to the kings of Israel and Judah, the Lord will equip you for leadership and service among His people and assure you of His forgiveness in Christ the King.</p>					

TLSB p. 529: **Kings and Prophets of Judah and Israel** – Then kingdoms of Judah and Israel began as one kingdom under the rule of Saul (1048-1009 BC). They were divided briefly when David reigned in Hebron (1009-1002 BC) and Saul's son Ish-bosheth (1009-1008 BC) reigned in Mahanaim. Some years after Ish-bosheth was murdered by rivals, David became ruler of all Israel from Jerusalem; he subdued Israel's traditional enemies (1002-970 BC). David's son Solomon succeeded him and further expanded the kingdom (970-931 BC). But Solomon's son Rehoboam did not manage the kingdom well, and it split into Judah and Israel (also called Ephraim in the OT).



August Schedule



Acolytes

2	7:30PM	Seth Mittler & Jason Ketels
3	8:30AM	Timmy David
3	11AM	Bradyn Henderson & Jim
9	7:30PM	Zac Yorke & Jeff
10	8:30AM	Katherine Weber & Duane
10	11AM	Zac Maas
16	7:30PM	Seth Mittler & Jason Ketels
17	8:30AM	Corey Daenzer & Tim
17	11AM	Abby Brown & Tim
23	7:30PM	Mason Lugg
24	8:30AM	Evan Hoard & Ethan
24	11AM	Pierce & Sterling Force
30	7:30PM	Kaitlyn Ill & Jeff
31	8:30AM	Joshua Allen & Justin
31	11AM	Jack Shreve

Greeters

First Sunday	8:30AM	Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy III
	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 Service

Captain	Phil Gordon	Larry Petzold
Assistant	Ron Johnson	Peter Shollack
	John Keinath	Chris Smith
	Kerry Koch	Gerry Smith
	James Kribs	Gerry Smith II
	James Petzold	Jason Smith
		Andrew Weber

11:00AM Service

Captain	Dick Gross	Seth Keinath
Assistant	Arnold Petzold	Tom Keinath
	Russ Hayden	Mike O'Hearn
	Gary Hecht	Phil Petzold
	Steve Holmes	Mathew Slough
	Derrick (Kip) Keinath	

7:30PM Service

Captain	Brian Glady	Dale Peché
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Church Sextons

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

Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Vicki Albert
8:30AM - Sonja Russell
11AM - Betty DeOrnellas/Melissa Keinath



Youth News

412 Youth

Jr. High & High School Ministry August 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, AUGUST 5TH 6-8PM

Youth Night

TOPIC: Is There More Than One Way to Get to God?

When you compare the religions of the world to Christianity or even popular "spiritual" beliefs you quickly realize one major difference. Christianity makes the claim that we cannot make our own path to God because of our sinfulness; rather, it is God who has come down to us. He has made His own path to us. The "All paths to God" belief may be attractive in a post-9/11 "coexist" bumper sticker world, yet looking at it logically it does not hold water, because people believe different things about how one gets to God, as well as who that God is.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19TH 6-8PM

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

MOVIE: God's Not Dead

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26TH 6-8PM

Youth Night

MOVIE CLIP: The Help

As Christians, God expects us to be generous and helpful to everyone, regardless of status, race, nationality, or ethnicity.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					1	2 7:30PM Worship
3 8:30AM Worship+C 9:45AM Bible Study 11AM Worship 1:30PM Special Voters' Meeting	4	5 6-8PM Youth 7:30PM AA	6 6PM Worship Team 7PM Council	7 6:15PM Praise Team	8 6PM Rehersal	9 2PM Wedding Claudia Brown/ Bryan Wilson 7:30PM Worship+C
10 8:30AM Worship 9:45AM Bible Study 11AM Worship+C	11 7PM Stephen Ministry	12 7:30PM AA	13 6PM Worship Team 6PM Trustees 7:30PM Voters' Meeting	14 6:15PM Praise Team	15 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin: 5px 0;"> Millington Old Fashioned Days Festival Come on out and support our St. Paul booths!! </div> <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	16 7:30PM Worship
17 10AM Worship +C	18 7:30PM Worship	19 6-8PM Youth 6:30PM Parent Sports Meeting 7:30PM AA	20 6PM Worship Team	21 6PM Pre-School Parent Meeting 6:15PM Praise Team	22	23 7:30PM Worship+C
24 8:30AM Worship 9:45AM Bible Study 11AM Worship +C Contemporary 1:30PM Elaine Bickel Roast	25 7PM Stephen Ministry 7PM All 8th Grade Parent & Student Meeting & Public School Confirmation Parents & Students	26 6-8PM Youth 7:30PM AA	27 6PM Worship Team 7:30PM Elders	28 6:15PM Praise Team	29	30 <i>Youth Service</i> 7:30PM Worship
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