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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

June 2015

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

A Message from Pastor Bruner

All we want is a real person! After each prompting question we push another button. Finally we have the correct department, *we think*. Now for the wait as music plays over the handset. Will we ever talk to someone? Will the person even know enough to help us? What if the "associate" or "technical support" person is inconsiderate and impatient? We better rehearse our explanation in order to be persuasive. Why do we have to go through this process to get what we need?

What would your attitude be... if a real person answers the line and listens to your dilemma? This person understands the situation because he/she listens and then asks a few questions to help clarify the problem you are having. What would be your attitude when the other person cheerfully says you would not be charged a thing and that your problem would be corrected free of charge as a customer service courtesy? You hang up dumbfounded but very pleased. Do you think the person to whom you spoke enjoys helping people with problems like yours? I do. This really did happen.

How would we treat others if you and I thought of our Christian life like being on the customer service team? We could enjoy listening carefully, because we know that God uses us to communicate how He has the ability to help anyone. Imagine the joy of telling others that the problem will be handled at no cost to them, it is "company policy." What if we helped others the way we want to be treated?

Christians do work for the most generous Boss/Owner. He intends for us to apply his limitless grace to problems in life caused by sin. Everything will be handled by Him free of charge. We are able to accomplish our work with a joyful and caring spirit, because of what God has done for us and is able to do for anyone.

One of our many roles as Christians at St. Paul Lutheran is to share joyfully what God has given to us... limitless comfort as a result of His grace in Jesus Christ. We can provide cheerful "customer service."

*The June Messenger
is sponsored in honor of
Marvin & Dorothy Schreiber on
their 56th wedding anniversary
on June 20th.*

³ Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, ⁴ who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. ⁵ For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. ⁶ If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. ⁷ And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort. (2 Corinthians 1:3-7) Take time to read 2 Corinthians chapter 4 also.

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. (1 Cor. 15:58)

Remember – you matter to God and you matter to me,

Pastor Bruner
1 John 4:10-11

Spiritual News

Bible Studies

9:45AM Sunday Morning Adult Bible Studies

Join us for **Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall** before Bible Study begins.

Bible Study – Learning about the persecution of the church and her response as shown in the book of Acts - led by Pastor Bruner in the Library.

Adult Instruction Class - led by Pastor Abatelli in the Multi-Purpose Room.

The Story – We will not meet during the summer months, but will resume in September. Blessings to all of you and we hope to see you in the fall.

Wednesday Bible Study

Daily Lectionary - led by Pastor Bruner at 9AM in the Council Room.

Heroes Men's Bible Study

Led by Pastor Abatelli Tues., June 9th at 7:30PM in the Library.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study - Sat., June 6th

Led by Ed White the first Saturday of the month at 7:30AM in the school library. Coffee and goodies will be provided. Hope to see you there!

June Scripture Readings

June 7th

Genesis 3:8-15

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Mark 3:20-35

June 14th

Ezekiel 17:22-24

2 Corinthians 5:1-17

Mark 4:26-34

June 21st

Job 38:1-11

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

June 28th

Lamentations 3:22-33

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43



The Lutheran Hour

Lutheran Ministries

"Worship for Shut-Ins"

June 7th

"Don't Lose Heart!"
2 Corinthians 4:16-18

June 14th

"Longing for Heaven"
2 Corinthians 5:1-9

June 21st

"Our God is AWESOME!"
Mark 4:35-41

June 28th

"There's Always Hope"
Mark 5:21-43

Musical Opportunities



Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM

June Meetings

Evangelism

Tues., June 2nd at 6PM
at Elaine Bickel's home

Social Concerns

Wed., June 3rd at 6:30PM

Council

Wed., June 3rd at 7:30PM

Stephen Ministry

Monday, June 8th at 7PM

Board of Education

Tues., June 9th at 6:30PM

Voters' Assembly

Sun., June 14th at 1:30PM

Trustees

Sun., June 14th after Voters'

Elders

Wed., June 24th at 7:30PM

Calendar of Events

Weekly Happenings

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings every Tuesday from 7:30-8:30PM in the Council Room.

6th-8th Grade Dance/Lock-in

Fri., June 5th from 6PM-12AM

6-9PM Dance

9PM-12AM Lock-in

Chaperones needed!

8th Grade Graduation

Sun., June 7th

in the 11AM service



All high school and college graduates are invited to wear your caps and gowns and join us at the 11AM service.

Show Choir Camp

Show Choir Camp at St. Paul featuring, "A Jungle Safari Adventure." Camp is for grades 3-8 and will be June 9-16 from 9-11AM. The cost for camp is \$45.00 and includes a t-shirt and CD. Please make checks payable to Karen Bruner. Registration forms are in the school office and are due by June 5th.



Messenger/Calendar Deadline

Friday, June 12th

Scrapbooking/Crafts

Sat., June 13th from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall. Pre register \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door. Great Food! Great Fun! Make New Friends!...and Prizes too! Bring your own scrapbook supplies, a dish to pass and beverages if you want other than coffee or H2O. **R.S.V.P.** in the school office 871-4581 or school.office@spmill.org. **SCRAPBOOKING MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME....JESUS MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST FOREVER!**

Voters' Assembly Meeting

Sun., June 14th at 1:30PM

Everyone is welcome.

Dorcas LWIM 2nd Annual Bus Trip

There are 14 seats available for the Bus Trip on Wed., June 17th. The bus leaves St. Paul at 9AM and returns by 5PM. \$55.00 per person includes: motor coach, admission to the USS Edson Navel Ship and Museum, 2 hour river cruise on the Islander, lunch at the Atrium in Bay City, and time to shop. Call Connie Keinath 871-4125 or Eileen Ziegler 871-2329 and help fill the bus!

Happy Father's Day!

Sun., June 21st

"Train up a child in the way which he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Garage Sale

Fri. & Sat., June 26th & 27th

9AM-6PM

Sun., June 28th

9AM-2PM

Special - Buy One Get One Free Day!

Area News

Blood Drive hosted by the Immanuel Lutheran, Frankentrost Sr. High Youth Group on Sat., June 6th from 10AM-2PM in their Church Fellowship room. The need for blood increases in the summer, but donations decrease. Please give! Questions? -or to sign up, please call Sue Mielke, 989-245-4077.

Prolife Walk Across the Thumb - Walk for Life - Raise Awareness - Make Your Voice Heard - The walk (approximately 65 miles) will begin in Port Sanilac on Wed., Aug. 5th and end in Frankenmuth on Fri., Aug. 7th. Free to any walkers 13 and older. Donations accepted. For more info or to participate, call 989-798-4814, email watt4life2015, or Facebook-Prolife Walk Across the Thumb.



Memorials / Serve & Volunteer / Miscellaneous

Opportunities to Serve & Volunteer

Videographer

We are looking for a volunteer to **videotape and finalize DVDs** for a performance on June 16th. Call Karen Bruner if interested at 871-2407.

Ushers

If you would like the opportunity to serve your Lord, the **Usher Policy** has been updated to include both men and women. **Ushers are needed** for all three services. Please contact the church office, Glen Brown at 810-686-1490 or an Elder for more information.

VBS Director Needed

If you have a passion for children and Vacation Bible School, we can use you! In order to continue VBS at St. Paul, a director is needed. If God is leading you in this direction, or for more details, please call the church office.

Screen Techs

We are looking for more people to run the **screen for church services**. We will train you and you can choose which service you would like. Please call the church office if interested and we will put you into rotating schedule.

Tellers

Volunteers are needed to be part of our **Teller Team**. You would be placed on a team and scheduled once a month to count the church offerings. If this is something you would like to be a part of, or if you have questions, please call Larna Peterson at 871-2223. Thank you!

Baby Bottle Boomerang

Remember to fill your baby bottle with your spare change and return by Father's Day. The donations are given to Positive Alternatives in Caro to help young mothers and show them there are other options available besides abortion. If you don't have much spare change lying around, checks are also welcome and can be made out to Positive Alternatives. Thank you for your support.

Yearbook Pictures

Pictures are needed for the 2014-15 school year. If you have any class photos, banquets, confirmation, sports, field trips, candid, etc., please email to stacey.force@spsmill.org. Thank you for helping make a memorable book for the students!

Hello
JUNE

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Paris Rogers General Fund	\$500.00
IN MEMORY OF Robert Hebner Handbells	\$25.00
IN MEMORY OF Walter Kamasis St. Paul School	\$10.00
IN MEMORY OF Dennis DeOrnellas Send Out Cards	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Karen Jobson Hot Lunch Program	\$10.00
IN MEMORY OF Selma Haubenstricker General Fund	\$30.00
IN MEMORY OF Michael Reinert General Fund	\$140.00
Christian Care Committee	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Ida Titsworth General Fund	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Betty Glynn General Fund	\$20.00

Reminder to All Boards:

Remember to check your board mailbox in the Council Room weekly. This is a way for our parishioners, staff, and other board members to communicate with you. There may also be invoices for you to sign before bills can be paid.

Another friendly reminder: The deadline to submit articles or advertise for an event in the bulletin is Thursday by 10AM. The Messenger deadline is the 15th of every month. Items can be brought to the church office or emailed to church.office@spsmill.org.

Special Thanks!!

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Living the Parable Dinner Dance. We made over \$1,200.00! Thank you for your support and everyone who helped to make this event successful!
-Karen Bruner

Daily Lectionary Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Daily Lectionary June 2015 <u>LSB</u> , pp. 299-304	<u>1</u> Ec 9:1-17 John 9:24-41 Ps 97:4-12	<u>2</u> Ec 10:1-20 John 10:1-21 Ps 9:3-6, 13-14	<u>3</u> 9:00 a.m. Bible Study Ec 11:1-10 John 10:22-42 Ps 77:5-11, 14-15	<u>4</u> Ec 12:1-14 John 11:1-16 Ps 61	<u>5</u> [Last School Day] Pr 1:8-33 John 11:17-37 Ps 72:12-19	<u>6</u> Pr 3:5-24 John 11:38-57 Ps 119:169-176
<u>7</u> 2 nd S. a. Pentecost Pr 4:1-27 John 12:1-19 Ps 119:9-16	<u>8</u> Pr 5:1-23 John 12:20-36a Ps 36:7-12	<u>9</u> Pr 8:1-21 John 12:36b-50 Ps 77:10-15	<u>10</u> Pr 8:22-36 John 13:1-20 Ps 116:12-19	<u>11</u> Pr 9:1-18 John 13:21-38 Ps 34:12-22	<u>12</u> Pr 10:1-23 John 14:1-17 Ps 37:1-7	<u>13</u> Pr 13:1-25 John 14:18-31 Ps 68:32-35
<u>14</u> 3 rd S. a. Pentecost Pr 14:1-27 John 15:1-11 Ps 66:1-8	<u>15</u> Pr 15:1-29 John 15:12-27 Ps 51:1-12	<u>16</u> Pr 16:1-24 John 16:1-16 Ps 147:1-11	<u>17</u> Pr 17:1-28 John 16:17-33 Ps 107:1-9	18 Pr 20:5-25 John 17:1-26 Ps 86:9-17	<u>19</u> Pr 22:1-21 John 18:1-14 Ps 31:9-10, 14-19	<u>20</u> Pr 22:22 -- 23:12 John 18:15-40 Ps 45:6-12
<u>21</u> 4 th S. a. Pentecost Pr 24:1-22 John 19:1-22 Ps 22:22-27	<u>22</u> Pr 25:1-22 John 19:23-42 Ps 22:12-21	<u>23</u> Pr 27:1-24 John 20:1-18 Ps 139:14-18, 23-24	<u>24</u> Pr 30:1-9, 18-33 John 20:19-31 Ps 85:7-13	<u>25</u> Augsburg Confession <u>Stion</u> Pr 31:10-31 John 21:1-25 Ps 119:41-48	<u>26</u> Joshua 1:1-18 Acts 8:1-25 Ps 31:19-24	<u>27</u> Joshua 2:1-24 Acts 8:26-40 Ps 51:1-9
<u>28</u> 5 th S. a. Pentecost Joshua 3:1-17 Acts 9:1-22 Ps 89:24-29	29 Joshua 4:1-24 Acts 9:23-43 Ps 103:1-12	<u>30</u> Joshua 5:1 -- 6:5 Acts 10:1-17 Ps 114				

June 25 – The Presentation of the Augsburg Confession + Herbert Mueller First Vice-President, LCMS <http://wmlitblog.org/2013/06/june-25-the-presentation-of-the-augsburg-confession/>

October 31 is rightly celebrated as Reformation Day, the day in 1517 Martin Luther published 95 Theses for debate, an action considered to be one of the sparks of the Reformation. June 25, however, is at least as important. On this date in 1530, Chancellor Christian Beyer, a member of the government of Duke John, elector of Saxony, read before Holy Roman Emperor Charles V and a gathering of princes (a "Diet") in the city of Augsburg, Germany, a confession of faith signed by seven princes and two city councils in whose lands the teachings of Luther and the Wittenberg reformers had taken root in the previous decade. Philip Melancthon, is the principal author, though he used several previous documents in the preparation.

As he was still under the imperial ban, Luther himself was unable to attend the meeting in Augsburg. When Melancthon and other Lutheran theologians and princes arrived at Augsburg, they found that they were being accused of just about every heresy known to the church. So they decided to make a united Lutheran defense of their teaching, both confessing the Gospel teaching of the reformation, and also showing that it was nothing new. Not only is Lutheran teaching based solely on Scripture, it is essentially the doctrine of the church universal from the beginning. The purpose of the confession was also to explain why and how the churches of the Lutheran reformation had corrected certain abuses that had sprung up in the church.

The genius of the resulting Augsburg Confession is that, in clear and unambiguous terms, it shows how the Gospel, the good news of justification by grace for Christ's sake received through faith alone, is the heart of every major teaching of the church. Drawn from Scripture, Lutheran theology seeks to bring the greatest comfort to hurting and broken people, to penitent sinners.

As Lutherans, we subscribe other confessional statements in the Book of Concord – Luther's catechisms, the Formula of Concord, etc. – but none are more important than the Augsburg Confession. Here we insist that "we cannot obtain forgiveness of sin and righteousness before God by our own merits, works, or satisfactions, but that we receive forgiveness of sin and become righteous before God by grace, for Christ's sake, through faith, when we believe that Christ suffered for us and that for his sake our sin is forgiven and righteousness and eternal life are given to us. For God will regard and reckon this faith as righteousness, as Paul says in Romans 3:21-26 and 4:5." (*Augsburg Confession, Article IV*, Tappert edition, p. 30).

This teaching is not only meant to comfort, but it begs to be confessed and proclaimed in the world. It is the beating Gospel heart of Christ's mission through His church. Christian Beyer, it is said, proclaimed the text of this confession in a loud voice for all to hear. We also cannot keep it to ourselves, but must bring it to many more that they too might hear and believe. May we in our day faithfully confess this Bible teaching, centered in Christ.

Compassion Child

Did You Know that the St. Paul Youth Sponsor a Compassion Child?

We have "adopted" him until he becomes a young adult and send him \$45.00 per month.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Compassion Child" and place in the offering plate or bring to the church office. Letters are also encouraged. If being a pen pal is something that interests you, please call the church office and we will give you the information needed.

A Letter from Our Compassion Child's Pastor

Our Compassion Child: Samuel Kwame Essien, Birthday: Dec. 16, 2006

Dear Friends,

I am Out Akwa, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Ghana, Emmanuel Congregation, located in Assin Adubiase in the central region of Ghana. We minister to Samuel Kwame Essien at the Assin Adubiase Presbyterian Child Development Center.

I wish to express my profound gratitude to you for your support of Kwame.

Assin Adubiase is predominantly farming community and has about 2,000 inhabitants. It has about 12 Christian denominations. It also has two public schools and two private schools.

The children on a typical day go through extracurricular activities like crocheting, weaving, choreography, choir, and football training. During the year, the center has a clean-up exercise to encourage the children to have the spirit of volunteerism. There was a series of classes for parents on how to take good care of their children to prevent them from being sick.

The center has helped and is continually helping the children and community as a whole. Most children, registered and non-registered at the center, now recite Bible verses, attend school regularly, and pray before bed and before eating. These children have also been seen involving themselves actively in church. Children are also engaged in sporting activities, which has helped improve them physically. The center conducts health screenings for the children, which has helped curb most sickness. They are physically healthy, because they are given multivitamins and dewormers every three months.

The major challenge facing the community members is lack of finance due to the subsistence nature of cultivating of food crops and the oil of palm/citrus. When crops are out of season, then families are strapped for cash. In addition, the divorce rate is high, leading to many single parents. For the church, the basic challenge is the commitment of members to their Christian faith. The low levels of member's income also put the church in a tight corner to meet its financial needs.

My vision is to make the church and the center Christ-centered, self-sustaining, and evangelistic. Most of the children who are enrolled in the center have had their financial needs met, thus improving their standard of living. The other ways where the church ministers to the community is through regular visitation to homes of members and organizing prayer revivals and a radio ministry. About 15 of the children and their parents attend the church.

The sponsor-child relationship that is built through letter writing makes the children feel valued, highly-spirited, and motivated. But those who do not get letters feel demotivated and some parents even think they have been discriminated against. It really helps the children to know that someone cares about them. They cherish every word of love and encouragement.

We are emphasizing academic excellence of the children as well as bringing them to Christ so they accept Him as their Lord and Savior. This will enable them to grow in wisdom and in stature to fulfil their divine mandate to positively influence others who do not know Christ.

Thank you for the hope and the generous support you bring to Kwame. May God bless you and your family.

Sincerely, Rev. Out Akwa



June Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



London Arnett	6/1	Jessi Woodward	6/8	Carrie McClenathen	6/16	Peter Robert	6/25
Wayne Jaruzel	6/1	Timothy David	6/9	Nathanael Thayer	6/16	Richard Saeger	6/25
Dennis Lugg	6/1	Nathan Selich	6/9	Dale Torrey	6/16	Amber Williams	6/25
Derrick Lugg	6/1	John Huber	6/10	David Bringer	6/17	Sandra Fackler	6/26
Terry Peters	6/1	Kristy Jaruzel	6/10	Heather Hayden	6/17	Michael O'Hearn	6/26
Braylen Reed	6/1	Ella List	6/10	Estee Heike	6/17	Jennifer Stewart	6/26
Dale Roth	6/1	Gerald Love	6/10	Kenny Knapp	6/17	Kevin Torrey	6/26
Dwight White	6/1	Janine McMahon	6/10	Brianna Schwab	6/17	Misty Campbell	6/27
Madelyn Abatelli	6/2	Jenna Meacham	6/10	David Turner	6/17	Kathryn Hayden	6/27
Mitchel ILL	6/2	Jamie Morningstar	6/10	Nadine Fealko	6/18	Meagan Rodammer	6/27
Marcia Keinath	6/2	Jeremy Petzold	6/10	Bonnie Gross	6/18	Timothy Walter	6/27
Ellie Titsworth	6/2	Brianna Reinertson	6/10	Jennifer Hahn	6/19	Gregory Hoard	6/28
Katie Watts	6/2	Gary Shreve	6/10	Jodi Henderson	6/19	Nicholas Jones	6/28
Jason Keinath	6/4	Elizabeth Skouson	6/10	Peter Klauer	6/19	Kelly Keipinger	6/28
Delilah Sabgash	6/4	Andre Stratton	6/10	Matthew Roth	6/19	Valerie Peche	6/28
Carole Titsworth	6/4	Christina Bassett	6/11	Dustin Sebert	6/19	Otto Petzold	6/28
Kelley Weber	6/4	Darryl McLaren	6/11	Jeanette Allard	6/20	Bradyn Titsworth	6/28
Jacob Petzold	6/5	Jake Rodammer	6/11	Joseph Conrad	6/20	Thomas Fritz	6/29
Trenton Reinertson	6/5	Parker Rodammer	6/11	Nichole Decker	6/20	Benjamin Hayden	6/29
Lisa Rodammer	6/5	Chad Ruppel	6/11	Levi Keinath	6/20	Trevor Sherman	6/29
Peter Shollack	6/5	Ryan Steepe	6/11	Angelina Knapp	6/20	Ryan Woolwine	6/29
Carl Simmons	6/5	Alyxandra Carlyon	6/12	Ashley Lichnovsky	6/20	Shannon Blue	6/30
Jordan Tyree	6/5	Ayla Farnsworth	6/12	Tricia Popham	6/20	Blake Burns	6/30
Ryker Cunningham	6/6	Lillie Flach	6/12	Jacob Schoenknecht	6/20	Cheryl Dormire	6/30
Ryland Cunningham	6/6	Shelly Ide	6/12	Becky Wolfington	6/20	Jackie Hecht	6/30
Heath Holmes	6/6	Marc Keinath	6/12	Chad Fackler	6/21	Robin Johnston	6/30
Janice McKee	6/6	Cindy Petzold	6/12	Amy Keinath	6/21	Earl Koch	6/30
Kelly Nelson	6/6	Vickie Rosebush	6/12	John Meinecke	6/21	Brooke Milostan	6/30
Janet Newbold	6/6	Gerry Smith Sr.	6/12	Pamela Schultz	6/21	Collin Milostan	6/30
Robert O'Neil	6/6	Betty Valentine	6/12	Andrew Wittenhagen	6/21	A. James Saeger	6/30
Levi Ostrander	6/6	Rodney Wilson	6/12	Linda Dues	6/22	Gregory Sayles	6/30
Donald Payea	6/6	Colleen Woelke	6/12	Edward Meeks	6/22		
Marian Reinert	6/6	Greg Ehrmantrout	6/13	Dale Peche	6/22		
Angela Albrecht	6/7	Kaitlyn ILL	6/13	Brian Rodammer	6/22		
Cory Butzin	6/7	Crystal Raymond	6/13	Florence Hohman	6/23		
Joshua Cunningham	6/7	Richard Sherman	6/13	Shelli Lugg	6/23		
Rachel Foley	6/7	Kelly Shoens	6/13	Wally Prusi	6/23		
Laverne Pashby	6/7	Darlene Dale	6/14	Jasmine Brandle	6/24		
Victor Reinert	6/7	Micah Denome	6/14	Ronald Coleman	6/24		
Douglas Wilcox	6/7	Melissa Galloway	6/14	Marcella Grzebinski	6/24		
Daniel Woolwine	6/7	Laura Gleim	6/14	Laci Harry	6/24		
Shelby Albrecht	6/8	Jason Gross	6/14	Lawson Harry	6/24		
Garet Edler	6/8	Gary Hecht	6/14	Paul Horning	6/24		
Amy Gross	6/8	Charlene Kinney	6/14	Colton Keinath	6/24		
Sue Howay	6/8	Jakob Selich	6/14	Kristen Keinath	6/24		
Luke Husted	6/8	James Simmons	6/14	Edward Schmidt	6/24		
Robert Irving	6/8	Susan Klauer	6/15	Lillia Sherman	6/24		
Shelby Mann	6/8	Lloyd Taylor	6/15	Bradley Smith	6/24		
Cassandra Matthews	6/8	Kathy White	6/15	Emily Bailey	6/25		
McKenna Slough	6/8	Amanda Fultz	6/16	Dustin List	6/25		
Jennifer Witmer	6/8	Tamara Ley	6/16	Amber Marks	6/25		

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God's Richest Blessings on Your Birthday!

What St. Paul Means to Me / Financial Report

What St. Paul Means to Me

I was not raised in the church; in fact, I attended my first worship at the age of 21. For the next 20 years, I was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Lapeer, where I was very active teaching Sunday school, being a wedding coordinator and a volunteer with The Refuge, which was a homeless shelter. Although I was active, and very close with our Pastor and his family, it was really only "a Sunday thing."

Since joining St Paul, Millington in 2009, my life has changed dramatically. Not just because I have married a wonderful man, but because of my church family. I have so many people from all walks of life in this church that I know truly care and pray for each other.

To belong in such a family is a huge blessing. Recently, my husband and I attended a funeral in a neighboring town for a gentleman that was not a member of St Paul. What a joy to see many of our members there to give love and support to his family. The same holds true for sporting events, community fundraisers and activities.

If you're feeling alone or lost, I strongly recommend that you get plugged in here at St Paul, whether it's volunteering for the many opportunities that are available, or just attending worship and saying "hello" to the people sitting next to you.

As you can see, you don't have to be "born into the church" to feel a part of this wonderful family.

-Jan McKee

Ministry Perks

Ministry Perks 4th quarter earnings were \$27.15. 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.

Church Extension Fund

Church Extension Fund has provided dedicated Christian financial management since 1901. Your ancestors have likely invested with CEF for just as long, helping to build our faith through ministries across the state. Now, you and your family can carry on this important tradition and further the vital funding needs of Michigan District congregations. You'll enjoy proven investment products, competitive interest rates, measurable results, and the knowledge that the Church is benefiting, too. Call 800-242-3944 or visit us at www.micef.org to get started.

Monthly Financial Report for Congregation General Church Account for Month Ending 4/30/15

Carryover Deficit as of 3/31/15		(\$164,470.42)
April General Fund Income	\$104,211.39	
April Living the Parable #2	\$ 6,713.00	
April General Fund Expenses	(\$ 92,674.66)	
+ / - for Month of April	(\$18,249.73)	
Ongoing Deficit to Date		(\$146,220.69)
+ / - For Current Fiscal Year 2014/2015 through 4/30/15		(\$72,537.87)
March Monthly Givings:		
Building Fund (Direct givings, Memorials, etc.)	\$20,521.00	
Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials)	\$ 2,097.99	
T.I.M. (Direct givings plus mission %)	\$ 1,306.45	
VLHS (Direct givings plus mission %)	\$ 373.27	

CEF BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

Building Mortgage Principal Balance as of **4/30/15**: \$1,158,511.64

CEF Building Fund Account Balance as of **5/11/15**: \$62,347.06



June Schedule



Acolytes

June			
6	7:30PM		Conner MacKay
7	8:30AM		Abby Brown & Tim
7	11AM	8th Gr. Grad.	Dustin & Sydney Bishop (+ Crucifer)
13	7:30PM		Zac Yorke & Jeff
14	8:30AM		Christian Kennedy & Eric
14	11AM		Kaitlyn Ill & Jeff
20	7:30PM		Landon Kern & Jeremy
21	8:30AM		Asher Petzold & Jeremy
21	11AM		Katelyn Kaschner & Gary
27	7:30PM		David Daenzer & Mason Lugg
28	8:30AM		Joshua Allen & Justin
28	11AM		Jack Shreve & Gary

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	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

Captain	Richard Harpst	Hans Schmandt
Assistant	Jay Rodammer	Michael Sherman
	Mike Hoard	Rick Sherman
	Heath Keinath	Randy Wolverton
	John Petzold	Bryan Wilson Jr.
	Michael Rader	

7:30PM

Captain	Larry Beagle	Jim Jaruzel
	Don Bierlein	Ed Keinath
		Brian White

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 - Lisa Rodammer/Heather Petzold

St. Paul Lutheran School

June 2015

The school year is quickly coming to a close. Even though classes for the year end early this month, we should all remember how much our heavenly Father has blessed us as we continue in faith as His children. Thank you, Lord for all You have done for us, Your children!

We do have several special events of which to make you aware for this month.

June 4th Kindergarten Graduation at 7:00 p.m. Congratulations!

June 5th Last day of class - Chapel, field day 2:40p.m. pick-up

June 7th 8th Grade Graduation-Sunday, in the 11:00 a.m. service.
Congratulations to all of the graduates.

June 12th Sports Physicals at St. Mary's in Birch Run from 9 a.m.-1p.m.
The school will receive \$10 /physical.

June 16th & 18th 2015-2016 School Registration 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

You will pick up your child(ren)'s report card(s) at registration.

Please make sure you bring your insurance card.

June 26-28 St. Paul annual Garage Sale

Friday/Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. BOGO

August 3rd Blood Drive from 2-7 p.m. For each person that donates, we earn \$10 so tell your friends.

The yearbook is being put together. If you have any pictures of class activities or field trips, please email them to school.office@spmill.org

attention yearbook or you may drop them at either office
NO LATER THAN JUNE 12.

As a reminder, even though it is summer, we still have some **SCRIP** on hand, the Kroger, Meijer, Boxtops for Education and Campbell Soup label programs continue. See the school office for more information.

The school faculty and staff would like to thank you all for your prayers and support throughout the school year. May God grant us His blessings for a safe and fun-filled summer! We will see you at church, school registration and around town; until next school year, which by the way, starts on **September 8, 2015!**

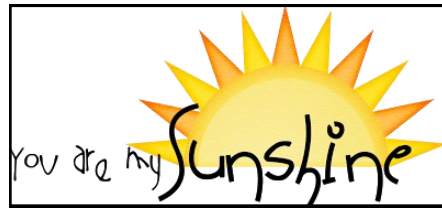


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June 2015

St. Paul Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2 6PM Evangelism at Elaine Bickel's 7:30PM AA	3 6:30PM Social Concerns 7:30PM Council	4 7PM Kindergarten Graduation	5 <i>Last Day of School</i> 6PM-12AM 6 th -8 th Grade Dance/Lock-In	6 7:30AM Men's Bible Study 7:30PM Worship
7 8:30AM Worship+C 9:45AM Bible Study Adult Instruction Class 11AM Worship <i>8th Grade Graduation</i> <i>Faculty Choir / Music Fest Group</i>	8 7PM Stephen Ministry	9 6:30PM Board of Education 7:30PM AA Heroes	10	11 6:15PM Praise Team	12 <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	13 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking 7:30PM Worship+C
14 8:30AM Worship <i>Church Choir</i> 9:45AM Bible Study Adult Instruction Class 11AM Worship+C <i>Church Choir / Music Fest Group</i> 1:30PM Voters' Meeting Trustees Meeting Following	15	16 7:30PM AA	17	18 6:15PM Praise Team	19	20 7:30PM Worship
21 <i>Father's Day</i> 8:30AM Worship+C <i>Music Fest Group</i> 9:45AM Bible Study Adult Instruction Class 11AM Worship Contemporary	22	23 7:30PM AA	24 7:30PM Elders	25 6:15PM Praise Team	26 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">Garage Sale 9AM-6PM</div>	27 7:30PM Worship+C
28 8:30AM Worship <i>Music Fest Group</i> 9AM-2PM Garage Sale 9:45AM Bible Study Adult Instruction Class 11AM Worship+C Contemporary	29	30 7:30PM AA	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">Michigan District LCMS Convention</div>			

