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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

May 2016

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



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

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Cultivating Lifestyles of Reconciliation

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for hope that you have. 1 Pt. 3:15

It's never okay! When the people finished reading the words of confession in worship, Pastor Steve faced the people with his arms raised for blessing and declared: "As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I announce that God says, 'That's okay. No problem. You should be sorry. Don't ever do it again. I forgive you, but I don't want anything to do with you! Go in peace.'"

The people froze, too shocked to move or speak. Pastor continued, "What's the matter? Isn't that the way you forgive one another? But you don't expect God to forgive you that way!" Then he immediately began his sermon on forgiving others as God has forgiven you. After preaching, he properly comforted the people with God's forgiveness.

Six weeks later, a young couple approached him. "Pastor Steve, we want to thank you for changing the culture in our home," the wife said, smiling.

"Uh, what do you mean?"

The husband explained, "Last week my wife and I had a fight in the kitchen, but we made up in the new way you taught us. Instead of stuff like 'I'm sorry if I hurt you' and 'that's okay,' we used the new language that you taught us. You know, things like, 'I confess' and 'I forgive you because Christ died for me.'"

His wife continued, "That's right, Pastor, we're learning to live reconciliation in our family. It's a whole new lifestyle for us."

A Christian's response to a confession should not reflect the world's way of dealing with conflict. Sin is never "okay." Sin is never "no problem." There's only one cure for sin: Forgiveness through Christ. God forgives us because Christ paid for the full price of our sins. He even forgives our poor ways of responding to others who say to us, "I'm sorry."

Fruit of our repentance is demonstrated when we learn to say, "I forgive you because Christ forgave me."

At times, we take our reconciliation to God for granted. In worship. We praise God for restoring our relationship through Christ, but then we act or speak in ways like non-believers in the daily activities of our lives.

Reconciliation is not simply an event. We can recall specific miracles of reconciliation, ranging from Christ dying on the cross to tearful moments of exchanging confession and forgiveness. But living reconciliation means much more than certain memorable events.

To cultivate lifestyles of reconciliation means to live

our lives in such a way as to reflect Christ in everything we say or do. When we sin (and we do so daily), we repent, confessing our failures to God and others. When relationships are broken, we quickly go to others to reconcile. When others sin against us, we forgive as God forgave us.

Praise God for His love shown to us: "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8b)

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WOW! Confession and forgiveness go beyond our worship service! We should not use the world's response to wrongs, "That's okay. No problem. You should be sorry. Don't ever do it again. I forgive you, but I don't want anything to do with you!" Rather we use forgiveness, for that is what Jesus gave for all our wrongs we have done against God and each other. All wiped away, separated from us as far as the east is from the west Ps. 103:12.

There is a Bible Study I will be doing on the topic of reconciliation and how to use it in our daily lives, starting May 1st. This Study will be between the church services on Sunday, right after we finish the topic *Unity in Purpose... on Purpose*. The unity study will give us a frame work of how God wants us to be united. Then reconciliation will follow to show how we handle disagreements to remain united.

In Christ's Service,
Pastor Abatelli

Spiritual News

9:45AM Sunday Bible Studies



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

Revelation Bible Study – Led by Pastor Bruner in the library. Have you seen the “Unlock Revelation” advertising? Our study is NOT that material, but we WILL be learning what CAN be learned and understood from this mysterious book of the Bible. Come and discover the comfort and peace God intends to communicate through this final book of the Bible.

United on Purpose ... In Purpose? - Led by Pastor Abatelli in the Multi-purpose Room.

So often we hurt each other by how we approach disagreements. These disagreements make us feel far from being united. Starting May 1st, this study will look at: What is unity? What does unity look like? How did God intend for us to be united? Can we have disagreements and be united? How do we overcome these differences?

Following this 2 -3 week Unity Bible Study we will explore how to reconcile our disagreements using, *Blessed are the Peacemakers*. Both Studies are intended to not be theoretical or historical, but applicable and practical in our lives. Come join us and grow in Christ.

"The Parables of Jesus" – Led by Paul Schoenknecht & Elaine Bickel in the Projects Room. These parables and this class are for all age levels and are quite short. We will also be praying for you on a regular basis. You are always welcome and encouraged to share any of your prayer concerns with us.

Other Bible Studies

Daily Lectionary

Led by Pastor Bruner Wednesdays at 9AM
in the Council Room.

NO Bible Study May 4th due to a Pastor's Conference.

Men's Morning Bible Study

Sat., May 7th at 7:30AM in the Library.
Join us the first Saturday of each month.
Coffee & goodies provided!

Heroes Men's Bible Study

Led by Pastor Abatelli Tues., May 10th
at 7:30PM in the Library.

Scripture Readings

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| <u>May 1st</u> | <i>Acts 16:9-15</i> <i>Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27</i> <i>John 16:23-33</i> |
| <u>May 8th</u> | <i>Acts 1:12-26</i> <i>Revelation 22:1-20</i> <i>John 17:20-26</i> |
| <u>May 15th</u> | <i>Genesis 11:1-9</i> <i>Acts 2:1-21</i> <i>John 14:23-31</i> |
| <u>May 22nd</u> | <i>Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31</i> <i>Acts 2:14a, 22-36</i> <i>John 8:48-59</i> |
| <u>May 29th</u> | <i>1 Kings 8:22-24, 27-29, 41-43</i> <i>Galatians 1:1-12</i> <i>Luke 7:1-10</i> |

May Meetings

Stewardship

Tues., May 3rd at 7PM

Social Concerns

Wed., May 4th at 6:30PM

Council

Wed., May 4th at 7:30PM

Evangelism

Thurs., May 5th at 7:15PM

Trustees

Sun., May 8th at 6PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., May 9th & 23rd

Board of Education

Tues., May 10th at 6:30PM

Elders

Wed., May 25th at 7:30PM

Musical Opportunities

Anyone is welcome to join any of our
musical groups at any time!

Church Choir

Wednesdays at 6:53PM

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM



Calendar of Events

Happenings at St. Paul

Everyone is welcome!

Storyhour

Tuesdays from 9-11AM in the nursery.

Quilting

Tuesdays from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall.

Painting Classes

Tuesdays from 6-8PM in the Projects Room.

Get Fit

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:15PM in the Library.

AA Meetings

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

High School Youth Nights

Sundays from 6-8PM - All high school youth are invited.
Bring a friend or two!

Confirmation

Sun., May 1st in the 11AM service

1st Communion

Sun., May 8th in the 11AM service

 *Mother's Day*

Sun., May 8th

Christian Caregiving - A Way of Life

THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED to join the Stephen Ministers as they continue their in-depth study of the book "Christian Caregiving—A Way of Life," by Dr. Kenneth Haugk, founder of the Stephen Series system of lay caring ministry. We will meet Mon., May 9th at 7pm, in the 5th grade classroom. If you have any questions, please call Paul Schoenknecht at 989/871-2280.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline
Friday, May 13th

Scrapbooking

Sat., May 21st from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall.
Pre register \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door.
R.S.V.P. in the school office 871-4581 or at school.office@spsmill.org.
SCRAPBOOKING MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME...JESUS MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST FOREVER!

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is a great opportunity for high school students to hear a devotion and get free breakfast every Friday at 7AM at the Millington High School. St. Paul is on a rotating host schedule with five other groups and we are hosting **Friday, May 27th**. To help offset the cost, we could use donations of **soft flour taco shells, ground sausage, eggs, orange juice, and chocolate milk**. Any amount will be helpful – monetary donations can also be placed in the offering plate or brought to the church office.

Graduation Dates



Millington High School Baccalaureate
Wed., May 25th

Millington High School Graduation
Thurs., May 26th

Valley Lutheran High School Graduation
Sun., June 12th at 2:30PM

St. Paul 8th Grade Graduation
Sun., June 12th in the 8:30AM service
All high school and college graduates are invited to wear their caps and gowns as we celebrate the graduates.

St. Paul Kindergarten Graduation
Fri., June 3rd at 7PM

*Congratulations to all the graduates
and God's blessings!*

High School Youth BBQ & 8th Grade Welcome



Fri., June 3rd 3PM-6
All 8th graders are invited to their first high school youth event!
We'll have plenty of food, games and fun!
Invite your friends!

Daily Lectionary Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <u>1</u> 6 th S. a. Easter Nu 3:1-16, 39-48 Lk 14:25 -- 15:10 Ps 135:13-21 | <u>2</u> Nu 8:5-26 Lk 15:11-32 Ps 103:6-14 | <u>3</u> Nu 9:1-23 Lk 16:1-18 Ps 85:1-7 | <u>4</u> Nu 10:11-36 Lk 16:19-31 Ps 62:5-10 | <u>5</u> Ascension Nu 11:1-23, 31-35 Lk 17:1-19 Ps 130 | <u>6</u> Nu 11:24-29: 12:1-16 Lk 17:20-37 Ps 77:11-15 | <u>7</u> Nu 13:1-3, 17-33 Lk 18:1-17 Ps 119:97-104 |
| <u>8</u> 7 th S. a. Easter Nu 14:1-25 Lk 18:18-34 Ps 81:10-16 | <u>9</u> Nu 14:26-45 Lk 18:35 -- 19:10 Ps 146:5-9 | <u>10</u> Nu 16:1-22 Lk 19:11-28 Ps 111 | <u>11</u> Nu 16:23-40 Lk 19:29-48 Ps 18:19-25 | <u>12</u> Nu 16:41 -- 17:13 Lk 20:1-18 Ps 80:14-19 | <u>13</u> Nu 20:1-21 Lk 20:19-44 Ps 78:9-16 | <u>14</u> Nu 20:22 -- 21:9 Lk 20:45 -- 21:19 Ps 116:1-4, 16-19 |
| <u>15</u> Pentecost Nu 21:10-35 Lk 21:20-38 Ps 135:8-14 | <u>16</u> Nu 22:1-20 Lk 22:1-23 Ps 128 | <u>17</u> Nu 22:21 -- 23:3 Lk 22:24-46 Ps 94:8-14 | <u>18</u> Nu 23:4-28 Lk 22:47-71 Ps 22:19-26 | <u>19</u> Nu 24:1-25 Lk 23:1-25 Ps 1 | <u>20</u> Nu 27:12-23 Lk 23:26-56 Ps 132:8-12 | <u>21</u> Nu 32:1-6, 16-27 Lk 24:1-27 Ps 97:6-12 |
| <u>22</u> Holy Trinity Nu 35:9-30 Lk 24:28-53 Ps 46:1-7 | <u>23</u> Song 7:6 -- 8:14 Jn 6:41-59 Ps 34:12-22 | <u>24</u> Ec 1:1-18 Jn 6:60-71 Ps 39:4-11 | <u>25</u> Ec 2:1-26 Jn 7:1-13 Ps 110 | <u>26</u> Ec 3:1-22 Jn 7:14-31 Ps 56:1-4 | <u>27</u> Ec 4:1-16 Jn 7:32-53 Ps 27:4-10 | <u>28</u> Ec 5:1-20 Jn 8:1-20 Ps 32:1-5 |
| <u>29</u> 2 nd S. a. Pentecost Ec 6:1 -- 7:10 Jn 8:21-38 Ps 104:24-35 | <u>30</u> Ec 7:11-29 Jn 8:39-59 Ps 43 | <u>31</u> Ec 8:1-17 Jn 9:1-23 Ps 146:5-10 | Read and Listen to the Daily Lectionary at: http://www.ctsfw.edu/page.aspx?pid=818 Daily Chapel at Concordia Theological Seminary – Fort Wayne: http://www.ctsfw.edu/DailyChapel Confessional Lutheran Teaching Site: http://www.worldvieweverlasting.com/ Confessional Lutheran Devotions: http://www.whatdoesthismean.org/devotions.html http://higherthings.org/reflections | | | |

Meditation for May 24 – [John 6:60-71] -- A Year in the New Testament, cph, 2010. ----- Jesus shouldn't have opened His mouth. After the miracles of the loaves, His following is more than 10,000. But then Jesus starts to preach, and the people quickly turn from Him. Many in the crowd began to dispute among themselves (Jn 6:52). Then even His disciples begin to grumble. For them His words are too much. Many of His disciples turn away and follow Him no more.

So what about the Twelve? Will they follow the crowd and many of the other disciples? Will they also conclude that Jesus is out of His mind rather than the living bread that has come down from heaven? Jesus asks the question, "Do you want to go away as well?" Peter speaks on behalf of the others, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that You are the Holy One of God."

Do you want to go away as well? Your sinful flesh says, "Yes!" The flesh wants nothing to do with Christ. His words seem like foolishness. His sayings are too hard to accept. His claims about Himself are too unreasonable.

But the flesh is no help at all. It is the Spirit who gives life. On our own, we could never believe the words of Jesus. We, too, would grumble and walk away as some did that day when Jesus taught at Capernaum. What is impossible for our flesh to do, our triune God has done for us. God the Father by grace has drawn us to His Son, who offered His life on the cross. The Spirit has given us life through the words of Jesus, bestowing on us the gift of faith. With the Spirit, we confess with Peter that Jesus has the words of eternal life and that He is the Holy One of God.

Looking at the sixth chapter of John, it may appear that Jesus shouldn't have opened His mouth. His preaching led many to turn away from Him. But Christ is more concerned about truth than numbers. He doesn't preach to draw a crowd. His goal is not to give itching ears what they want to hear. This is preaching to the flesh. Instead, His proclaims Spirit-filled words of eternal life, a message that is rejected by many, but a message that is life and salvation for all who believe.

Memorials / Misc.

Estate Planning "The Gift of Life"

Think back to the time you were preparing for the birth of your first child. You worked hard to prepare. New paint in the nursery and getting the equipment you knew would be needed soon. How excited you were to discover what this new little part of you looked like. Then the day came and that amazing feeling burst all over you as you gazed upon that new life. New hands. New feet. New eyes and a mouth. What a miracle you have seen with all the intricacies of the body interconnected and working together. All of them never used before but in need of love and care to teach them to work properly.

Who gave your child these new parts? Who gave them the eyes to see, the hands to work and play or the feet to walk? What an amazing God we have! God made everything. The Creator of the universe does it again. But even in that wonderful moment we realize that more is needed. Something is missing.

The greatest miracle happens when that child is baptized. The imperfections of sin are forgiven, washed away by that same Creator who sent Christ into the world to pay the price in our place. That first miracle brought a new life into the world, but the second miracle reserves a spot for us in eternity. Just as you taught your child to speak, to walk, to eat, teach them to worship, to praise the Maker of the Universe. Encourage them to interact with the God that made them. Demonstrate how to pray and spend that quiet time with them learning about God's word. Ephesians 6:4 reminds us, "Fathers, do not make your children angry, but raise them with the training and teaching of the Lord." It secures their future and yours.

You may marvel at the miracle of new life. You may thank God each day for the miracle of Eternal Life. That is a miracle we can share with our children, our grandchildren and the world. As you look forward to the fulfillment of the greatest miracle, you can create your own little miracle. Plan for the time you go home. Communicate your faith and consider leaving a gift as part of your estate plan, to support the ministries that have so greatly impacted your life. It can help insure that your family or someone you haven't met, can become part of God's family and experience the miracle of Eternal Life.

Bill Burmeister
Church Extension Fund
Michigan District

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

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| IN MEMORY OF Robert Johnston Jr. General Fund | \$20.00 |
| SPECIAL GIFT Seminarian Fund designated Tim Kern | \$200.00 |
| IN MEMORY OF Viola Hunt General Fund | \$20.00 |
| St. Paul School | \$50.00 |
| IN MEMORY OF Shirley L. Petzold Handbells | \$15.00 |
| IN MEMORY OF Olivia Rose Reinert Building Fund | \$50.00 |
| SPECIAL GIFT St. Paul School Library | \$50.00 |
| IN MEMORY OF Norman Weiss General Fund | \$2550.00 |
| Building Fund | \$140.00 |
| St. Paul School | \$ 5.00 |
| Designated - Memorial Committee | \$ 20.00 |
| Student Aid Fund | \$ 20.00 |
| IN MEMORY OF Edna Ferber General Fund | \$ 25.00 |
| Seminarian Fund designated Tim Kern | \$100.00 |

National Convention

The 66th Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will be held July 9-14, 2016, in Milwaukee at the Wisconsin Center.

The national convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod shall afford an opportunity for worship, nurture and inspiration, fellowship, and the communication of vital information.

The convention is the principal legislative assembly, which amends the Constitution and Bylaws, considers and takes action on reports and overtures, and handles appropriate appeals. It establishes general positions and policies of the Synod, provides overall program direction and priorities, and conducts business in order to provide responsible service for and on behalf of its members.

For more information, go to www.lcms.org/convention.

Campbell Soup Labels

In the past few years, participation in *Labels for Education*® has declined and as a result, Campbell has come to the very difficult decision to wind down the program. Please bring your labels in by July 15th so we can send them in before the deadline. Thank you!

Lutheran Hour / Financial Report / Weddings / Misc.



Lu-

theran Ministries "Worship for Shut-Ins"

May 1st

"Overcoming the World"
John 16:33b

May 8th

"So Close and Yet So Far"
Luke 24:44-53

May 15th

"The Pentecost Harvest"
Acts 2:1-11

May 22nd

"God's Own Child"
John 8:48-59

May 29th

"A Soldier's Faith"
Luke 7:1-10

Monthly Financial Report for Congregation General Church Account for Month Ending 3/31/16

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| Carryover Deficit as of 2/29/16 | | (\$67,542.97) |
| March General Fund Income | \$ 89,818.99 | |
| March General Fund Expenses | (\$98,037.96) | |
| + / - for Month of March | (8,218.97) | |
| Ongoing Deficit to Date | | (\$75,761.94) |
| + / - For Current Fiscal Year 2015/2016 through 3/31/16 : | | \$81,252.24 |
| March Monthly Giving: | | |
| Building Fund (Direct giving, Memorials, etc.) | \$12,373.48 | |
| Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials) | \$ 1,174.99 | |
| T.I.M. (Direct giving plus mission %) | \$ 734.99 | |
| VLHS (Direct giving plus mission %) | \$ 225.00 | |

Do you shop at Kroger???

Could you spare five minutes to help St. Paul earn some extra money for the school??? Please take a few minutes and sign your Kroger card up for Community Rewards and St. Paul will get a percentage of your purchases back each quarter. It is free of charge. Sign in to your Kroger account, go to "Community," click on "Community Rewards," then "Enroll." It will take you to another screen where you will click on "reenroll" or "enroll," enter 83361 in the search bar, hit "search," and St. Paul Lutheran School will come up. Click on the little circle to select St. Paul and choose the "Enroll" button. All done. Any questions, feel free to contact the school office. If you do not use email, we will ask for your name, address and Kroger card number, and set it up for you. Thank you for your time and support.

Area News

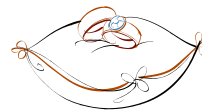
Registration is now open for Valley Lutheran's summer camps! If your child is entering 4th - 9th grade and has an interest in band, drama, art, computers, liturgical dance, soccer, basketball, wrestling, football, or volleyball then there's a camp for them! All information including the full schedule and a link to the registration form is available online at www.vlhs.com/camps. Please contact Amy Cooper, at acooper@vlhs.com or 989-790-1676 with any questions.

Free Skin Cancer Screening Thurs., May 5th from 5:30-7:30PM at Covenant Cancer Care Center, 5400 Mackinaw, Saginaw. Call 989-583-6278 to register.

All You Can Eat Cod Fri., May 13th from 11-2 and 4-7 at St. Martin Lutheran Church. Adults: 10.00, 5-12: 7.00, Under 5: Free.

Valley Lutheran High School Open House Sun., May 15th from 2-3pm. For more information, contact the school office at 790-1676, or e-mail Heath Vincent at hvincent@vlhs.com.

*Congratulations on your
upcoming wedding!*



*Keith Taylor & Rachel Jensen
May 14th*

*Matthew Lynn & Jessica Cunningham
May 21st*

*Allen Marks & Bridget Babcock
May 28th*



Monday, May 30th
Thank you to all the service
men and women who

Special Thanks / Call News

Special Thanks!

We wish to once again **thank** our St. Paul family and friends for the many expressions of sympathy during the passing of our Dad and Grandpa from this life into his Eternal Home. Thank you for the many cards, food and memorials given in his name, along with your hugs and kind words spoken.

A **special thanks** to Pastor Bruner for his comforting words and time spent with our family, Teresa Walter for the beautiful music played, Roger & Lola Wendt, along with the ladies of the Dorcas, for their delicious meal following the service.

Also, a **special thanks** to the Christian Care Committee for all the food you provided at the funeral home. Your love and kindness will never be forgotten.

-The family of Norman Weiss

Jeremy and Andria Kern would like to **thank** the congregation for all the help and support due to their house fire.

We would like to **thank** everyone for their love & support, hugs & cards given to us during the loss of our sister.

-Lela Higgins & Lola Wendt & families

I would like to **thank** everyone for all the prayers, visits, phone calls, hugs and all the beautiful cards, while I was recuperating in the hospital and nursing home and at my daughter's and since returning home. I especially thank the pastors for their visits and prayers and also the third graders for their many prayers. It all helped a lot in my recuperation. -Linda Rohde

Many thanks go to Heather Sergent for all the times she has cooked the breakfast for Breakfast Club at the high school. You are appreciated - and the kids appreciate it too!

Special thanks go to Les Maxson for designing and building new sneeze guards for the youth group. You have gone above and beyond and we appreciate you sharing your talents!

Thank you to Dwight & Lorie Keinath and their volunteers for the Lenten Fish Frys, and to Carmin List and her group of volunteers for the Denim and Diamonds night. All the time put in does not go unnoticed. I am so thankful that we do have such an unselfish group of members to answer the call. Here am I, send me, send me.

Thanks again,
Ed Sergent
Congregation Chairman

Dear Members of St. Paul,

Thank you for extending me the Call to serve as teacher next year. I have been prayerfully considering this opportunity for the past couple of weeks. This decision was not an easy one to make. While it may have seemed like an easy decision, I needed to make sure that I was listening to God's will. Sometimes what seems like the logical choice may not be what God has in store.

As a Called teacher, I had two Calls to consider. My Call to Immanuel, Frankentrost is a Divine Call from God. I have served there for the past four years, and it became my church and home. When I received the Call to St. Paul, I had to spend a considerable amount of time in prayer to understand where God was leading me.

As a daughter of this congregation, I was baptized in this sanctuary, educated in this school, confirmed and married at this altar, and have brought my child to be baptized here. It is now my pleasure to accept the Call back to St. Paul. I believe God is leading me home again to serve Him. I will be leaving behind some wonderful friends, students, and colleagues at Immanuel, but I pray that God will lead someone to them as well. God has a plan for Immanuel, and I look forward to what God has in store for me here at St. Paul.

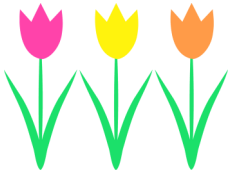
God's Blessings,
Mrs. Christina Petzold

Dear Members of St. Paul Lutheran Church and School,
First of all, I would like to **thank** all of you for your prayers, thoughts and phone calls as I have deliberated the call as principal to St. Paul, Millington, as well as my current call as teacher to Immanuel, Frankentrost.

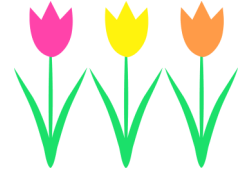
After much prayer, reading His Word, and family discussion, I feel that God is directing me to continue His work serving at Immanuel. I would like to return your call to St. Paul, Millington.

Please continue in your prayers for both Immanuel and St. Paul, Millington.

In His Service,
Kyle Smith



May Schedule



Acolytes

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| 1 | 8:30AM | | Kirsten Skouson |
| 1 | 11AM | Confirmation | (+ Crucifer) Conner MacKay |
| 7 | 7:30PM | | |
| 8 | 8:30AM | | Paige & Matt Ayotte |
| 8 | 11AM | 1st. Comm. | Brandon & Mark Rude |
| 14 | 7:30PM | | Zac & Jeff Yorke |
| 15 | 8:30AM | | Joshua & Justin Allen |
| 15 | 11AM | | |
| 21 | 7:30PM | | Conner MacKay |
| 22 | 8:30AM | | Ethan & Emma Hoard |
| 22 | 11AM | | Alden & Jay Rodammer |
| 28 | 7:30PM | | Christian Kennedy & Eric or Chris |
| 29 | 8:30AM | | |
| 29 | 11AM | | Danielle & Matt Ayotte |

**As shown on the schedule, there are services with no acolyte scheduled. If you are at one of the services and are able to help, please let the sexton know ahead of time. You can also call the church office and fill in for any of the open spots throughout the year. Your help is appreciated. Thank you!

Greeters

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

Ushers Team A

8:30AM Service

Captain – Phil Gordon
 Assistant – Ron Johnson
 Wanda Johnson
 James Kribs
 James Petzold
 Larry Petzold
 Peter Shollack
 Chris Smith
 Gerry Smith
 Gerry Smith II
 Jason Smith
 Andrew Weber

11AM Service

Captain – Dick Gross
 Assistant – Arnold Petzold
 Russ Hayden
 Gary Hecht
 Derrick (Kip) Keinath
 Seth Keinath
 Tom Keinath
 Phil Petzold
 Mathew Slough

7:30PM Service

Captain – Brian Glady
 Mason Lugg
 Dale Peche

Church Sextons Mathew & Angela Ayotte
 Rod & Nancy Wilson

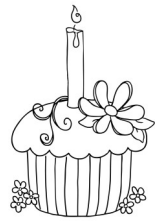
Ted & Katrina Wager
 Ed & Marcia Keinath

Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Amy Yorke
 8:30AM - Mary White
 11AM - Kristin Hoard



May Birthdays in our St. Paul Family
















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| Janice Binder | 5/1 | Jackson Shreve | 5/8 | Lorraine M. Petzold | 5/16 | Ian Damm | 5/26 |
| Jean Jensen | 5/1 | Audrey Brown | 5/9 | Debra Werner | 5/16 | Lydia Denome | 5/26 |
| Timothy Pashby | 5/1 | Alexis Bruner | 5/9 | Diane Bishop | 5/17 | Gary Johnson | 5/26 |
| Amy Schiefer | 5/1 | Santana Edler | 5/9 | Skylar Ley | 5/17 | Erik Loper | 5/26 |
| Koltyn Sebert | 5/1 | Shane Edler | 5/9 | Carmin List | 5/17 | Daniel Meacham | 5/26 |
| Robert Blogg | 5/2 | Allie Ehrmantraut | 5/9 | Melissa Wagner | 5/17 | Cynthia Miller | 5/26 |
| Marian McIntyre | 5/2 | Matthew Harrington | 5/9 | Maxwell Wood | 5/17 | Steven Foley | 5/27 |
| Jonathan Petzold | 5/2 | Marie Keinath | 5/9 | Angela Zeck | 5/17 | Dani Lyons | 5/27 |
| Donald Rasmussen | 5/2 | Stacie Lyons | 5/9 | Lisa Bastian | 5/18 | Christopher Michael | 5/27 |
| Kim Reinig | 5/2 | Marie Marks | 5/9 | Jean Harsen | 5/18 | Logan Morningstar | 5/27 |
| Colton Smith | 5/2 | Joshua Myers | 5/9 | Heidi Petzold | 5/18 | Todd Nelson | 5/27 |
| Seth Smith | 5/2 | Patrick Decker | 5/10 | Kyle Yatsevich | 5/18 | Dylin Polzin | 5/27 |
| Katlyn Torres | 5/2 | Adam Gross | 5/10 | Constance Damm | 5/19 | Ricky Reinert | 5/27 |
| Bryan Wilson Jr. | 5/2 | Kristin Hoard | 5/10 | Kelsy Fisher | 5/19 | Matthew Schiefer | 5/27 |
| Korbyn Cartner | 5/3 | Mary Kern | 5/10 | David Holtsberry | 5/19 | Mark Ferrier | 5/28 |
| Rachel ILL | 5/3 | Sandra Lince | 5/10 | Larry ILL | 5/19 | Sharon Garrett | 5/28 |
| Heather Jones | 5/3 | Sarah Mays | 5/10 | Arlyn Marks | 5/19 | Jorden Goodhue | 5/28 |
| Hudson Myers | 5/3 | Savannah Porter | 5/10 | Wyatt Popham | 5/19 | Rachel Lawrence | 5/28 |
| Lindsay Paquette | 5/3 | Patricia Reinert | 5/10 | Jay Rodammer | 5/19 | Carmen Leitz | 5/28 |
| Emma Stewart | 5/3 | Betty Bradley | 5/11 | Caleb Schlereth | 5/19 | Joseph Pavlicek | 5/28 |
| Lori Stratton | 5/3 | Cherri Holmes | 5/11 | Trevor Betzing | 5/20 | Ryan Pavlicek | 5/28 |
| Nancy Wagner | 5/3 | Harry Kern | 5/11 | David Decker | 5/20 | Marlene Straub | 5/28 |
| Cody Woodward | 5/3 | Julie Piar | 5/11 | Jordyn Frahm | 5/20 | Flora Weber | 5/28 |
| Michelle Jaruzel | 5/4 | Caleb Reinbold | 5/11 | Daniel Inman | 5/20 | Katherine Weber | 5/28 |
| Holly Jones | 5/4 | Abigail Whittaker | 5/11 | Jacob Jensen | 5/20 | Chad Cobanovich | 5/29 |
| Landon Kern | 5/4 | Sue Sayles | 5/12 | Kelley Opperman | 5/20 | Jennifer Koch | 5/29 |
| Gabriella Porter | 5/4 | Matthew Stewart | 5/12 | Amy Bentley | 5/22 | Joanne Lee | 5/29 |
| Travis Washburn | 5/4 | John Walz | 5/12 | April Ehrhardt | 5/22 | Christian Martinez | 5/29 |
| Jeffrey Jones | 5/5 | Harper Aguirre | 5/13 | Misti Fall | 5/22 | Taylor Martinez | 5/29 |
| Haily Kennedy | 5/5 | Christian Alberts | 5/13 | Theodore Kabat | 5/22 | Victor Schwab | 5/29 |
| Rebecca Mitchell | 5/5 | Cameron Barnum | 5/13 | Gary Knoll | 5/22 | James Brueggemann Jr. | 5/30 |
| Hudsen O'Neil | 5/5 | Troy Bonadurer | 5/13 | Robert O'Dell | 5/22 | Ron King | 5/30 |
| Joshua Williams | 5/5 | Kieran Ehrhardt | 5/13 | Angi O'Neil | 5/22 | Cheryl Leix | 5/30 |
| June Bierlein | 5/6 | Crystalyn Erickson | 5/13 | Tyler Rondy | 5/22 | Michael Montney | 5/30 |
| Betty Bleuer | 5/6 | Geffory McTaggart | 5/13 | Robin Shaffer | 5/22 | Stephan Schultz | 5/30 |
| Owen Butterfield | 5/6 | Zachary Myers | 5/13 | Angela Thomason | 5/22 | Ronald Wittum | 5/30 |
| Susan Clouse | 5/6 | Jackie Sabgash | 5/13 | Gale Brown | 5/23 | Matthew Burns | 5/31 |
| Rian Edler | 5/6 | Ashlie Sayles | 5/13 | Brenda Frahm | 5/23 | Alfred Cunningham | 5/31 |
| Jodie Frahm | 5/6 | Stephen Schmandt | 5/13 | Kelsey Gronowski | 5/23 | Carolyn Howe | 5/31 |
| Thomas Glynn | 5/6 | Marcia Stohon | 5/13 | Katie Jensen | 5/23 | Chelsea Lichnovsky | 5/31 |
| Madison Hahn | 5/6 | Emaline Whittaker | 5/13 | Matthew Sandusky | 5/23 | Torrey Lichnovsky | 5/31 |
| Rosalyn Horning | 5/6 | Larry Greer III | 5/14 | James Bodeis Jr. | 5/24 | | |
| Adam Johnson | 5/6 | Colin Meacham | 5/14 | Jessica Detgen | 5/24 | | |
| Destiny Stevens | 5/6 | Gina Werner | 5/14 | Dillon Leix | 5/24 | | |
| Mya Sutton | 5/6 | Mark Williams | 5/14 | Seth Mohr | 5/24 | | |
| Taylor Withers | 5/6 | Emily Wood | 5/14 | Eunice Peche | 5/24 | | |
| Yvonne Burrows | 5/7 | Anna Jensen | 5/15 | Jamie Blue | 5/25 | | |
| Meghan DuRussel | 5/7 | Laura Keinath | 5/15 | Gavin Henderson | 5/25 | | |
| Stephanie Long | 5/7 | Erik Lince | 5/15 | Thomas Howay | 5/25 | | |
| Ronald Mieske | 5/7 | Dawn Reinert | 5/15 | Andrea Ide | 5/25 | | |
| Barbara Paquette | 5/7 | Terri Reinert | 5/15 | Jonathan Keinath | 5/25 | | |
| Betty Rueger | 5/7 | David Williams | 5/15 | Marie Koch | 5/25 | | |
| Alene Smith | 5/7 | Joshua Allen | 5/16 | Tammy Kowitz | 5/25 | | |
| Timothy Weber | 5/7 | Nathan Draper | 5/16 | James Lyons | 5/25 | | |
| Ann Auernhammer | 5/8 | Ashley Mason | 5/16 | Edna McLaren | 5/25 | | |

*God's Richest Blessings
on Your Birthday!*

May 2016

St. Paul Lutheran Church

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT |
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| 1  8:30AM Worship+C Church Choir 9:45AM **See Notes**  11AM Worship Confirmation Church Choir 6-8PM High School Youth | 2 7:30PM Salary & Personnel | 3 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3 PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Get Fit 7PM Stewardship 7:30PM -AA | 4 No Bible Study 6:30PM Social Concerns 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Council | 5 <i>Ascension Day</i> 6:15PM -Praise Team -Get Fit 7:15PM Evangelism | 6 | 7 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  7:30PM Worship+C |
| 8 Mother's Day  8:30AM Worship Grades K-8 9:45AM **See Notes**  11AM Worship+C 1st Communion Grades K-8 6PM Trustees 6-8PM High School Youth | 9 7PM Stephen Ministry | 10 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3 PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Get Fit 6:30PM Board of Ed. 7:30PM -AA -Heroes | 11 9AM Bible Study 6PM Athletic Banquet 6:53PM Choir | 12 6:15PM -Praise Team -Get Fit | 13 Messenger Deadline Rehearsal | 14 2PM Wedding Rachel Jensen & Keith Taylor  7:30PM Worship |
| 15  8:30AM Worship+C Free Spirit 9:45AM **See Notes**  11AM Worship Contemporary 6-8PM High School Youth | 16 <i>Pentecost</i> | 17 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3 PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Get Fit 7:30PM -AA | 18 9AM Bible Study 6:53PM Choir | 19 6PM PTL Meeting 6:15PM -Praise Team -Get Fit | 20 Rehearsal | 21 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking Wedding Matthew Lynn & Jessica Cunningham  7:30PM Worship+C |
| 22  8:30AM Worship Stephen Ministry Commissioning 9:45AM **See Notes**  11AM Worship+C Contemporary 6-8PM High School Youth | 23 7PM Stephen Ministry | 24 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3 PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Get Fit 7:30PM -AA | 25 6PM Academic Banquet 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders | 26 6:15PM -Praise Team -Get Fit | 27 7AM Breakfast Club at MHS Rehearsal | 28 2PM Wedding Allen Marks & Bridgett Babcock  7:30PM Worship |
| 29  8:30AM Worship 9:45AM **See Notes**  11AM Worship Contemporary 6-8PM High School Youth | 30 <i>Memorial Day</i> No School Offices Closed | 31 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3 PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Get Fit 7:30PM -AA | **Notes** 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School | | | |



St. Paul Lutheran School

May 2016

" So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him, rooted and built up in Him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Colossians 2:6-7

God has truly given all of us so much for which to be grateful! Take time to stop and look around at all of the wonderful blessings springing up before you.

As the school year winds down, we have several very special events during May to mark on your calendars.

- May 1 [8th Grade Confirmation](#) 11:00 a.m. service
- May 5 [Chapel \(Ascension Day\), National Day of Prayer & Kindergarten Graduation pictures](#)
- May 6 [Theme Shirt Day; Music Festival](#) at Zion Bay City
- May 8 [8th grade First Communion](#) 11:00 a.m. service
- May 11 [Athletic Banquet](#) 6:00 p.m. We will acknowledge the God-given athletic talents of the boys and girls that participated in school athletics. Awards will be given to the athletes for their participation as well as a special award- *The Reflection of Christ*- to the eighth grade boy and girl that most show Christ in everything they do, both on the field of competition and off.
- May 12 [St. Paul Blood Drive & 3rd-8th Grade Spelling Bee](#) at 1:00 p.m
- May 16 [Chapel](#) Pentecost
- May 19 [P.T.L. Meeting](#) at 6 p.m. 8th grade parent recognition
- May 25 [Academic Banquet](#) 6:00 p.m. Invitations will be sent to the boys and girls in 5th-8th grades that will be recognized during a dinner in their honor for using their God-given academic talents throughout the school year.
- May 27 [6-8th Grade Dance & Preschool Graduation & Picnic](#)
- May 30 [NO SCHOOL](#) ~ Memorial Day Both the school and church offices will be closed as well.



May Sports



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| May 4 | Track meet at VLHS | TBA |
| May 7 | Regional track meet at VLHS | TBA |
| May 17 | TCLL Relay meet at Reese | TBA |
| May 21 | Regional Meet at VLHS | TBA |
| May 31 | State Track meet at Lapeer HS | TBA |



School Music Opportunities



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| May 6 | Lutheran Schools Music Festival |
| May 8 | All Students K-8 choice of service |
| May 17 | Free Spirit Choir 8:30 a.m. |

We would like to say thank you to the coaches, players and fans for your help and support during the Boys Volleyball, Girls Soccer and track team seasons. We are looking for someone who would like to coach the fall soccer team. If you are interested, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Craig Stiff, as soon as possible.

We participate in programs with Meijer & Kroger stores. Using your Kroger card allows St. Paul Lutheran School to receive 5% of your purchase. **SCRIP** is available in the school office for many local and Flint/ Saginaw stores like Shop-Rite and Marathon Gas stations (Bo's). **SCRIP** gift cards are great for Mother's and Father's Day as well as graduation. See the school office for all of the special programs available.

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Happiness
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with others.**