



Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

June 2017

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

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Worship Services

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Saturday 7:30 P.M.

Bible Study

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

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A Message from Pastor Bruner

Love is often associated with the months of February and June (due to Valentine's Day and the many weddings held). Ever since I came to St. Paul, you have heard me say, "Remember - you matter to God and you matter to me." This is another way of saying God loves you and so do I. The following Scripture is the basis for this statement.

*"This is love: not that we loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." *1 John 4:10-11*

To love one another does not mean that we can do everything for everyone. Only God can fulfill this. To love one another means we desire what is best for each other, despite our limitations and faults.

I acknowledge these facts: I am not able to keep everyone happy. I have hurt people, and I am sorry that this has happened. I have also made mistakes that I wish I could undo. Even though I can't fix everyone's problems, I will ask God to help us get through them together.

What I can say without hesitation is that I do care about all of you. God knows this even if someone doesn't believe it. It is my hope that we will live out 1 John 4:11 because of verse 10.

I am thankful that God has told us in Scripture that He gives the people in every church a variety of gifts and abilities. He does this so that together they will be engaged in ministry together. The words

the Apostle Paul wrote to his fellow workers in Ephesians 4:1-3 can fit here too. *"Therefore, my brothers, you whom I love and long for...I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to agree with each other in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life."*

What I am writing is that there is more work to be done than one person can do. That is why, out of love, I want to work alongside each of you as we "contend in the cause of the gospel" and because of the gospel.

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

Pastor Bruner
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The June Messenger is sponsored by Marvin & Dorothy Schreiber
on their 58th Wedding Anniversary.

Spiritual News

9:45AM Sunday Adult Bible Studies

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

Bible Study – Led by Pastor Bruner in the Parish Hall. What do we look like through God's eyes? What does He want us to look like? This is not limited to our physical appearance. We are more precious to God than we often think. Admittedly, we have flaws and sin that are not what He wants for us. This Bible study will examine the beautiful relationship God desires with us and the steps He is taking to remove from our lives the things that are not "of Him."

Other Bible Studies

Men's Morning Bible Study

Sat. June 3rd at 7:30AM in the Library.
Join us the first Saturday of each month.
Coffee & goodies provided!

New Member Welcome

Sun., June 18th at 9:45AM

Please come and welcome our newest members!

Adult Confirmation

Sun., June 18th in the 11AM service.



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

June 4th - "The Spirit Prays for You" - Romans 8:26-27

June 11th - "Blessed By the Name" - Matthew 28:16-20

June 18th - "The Father's Love" - Romans 5:6-15

June 25th - "A New Spirit" - Romans 6:1-14

Music

Church Choir

Rehearsals will resume in the fall.

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM

Singers and instrumentalists welcome to join any time!



500th Anniversary

Reformation Worship Service

at the Breslin Center at Michigan State University on October 15, 2017. The event is free, but you will need a ticket. Sign-up sheet is on the glass case in the narthex. If you have any questions call Tim Sergent at 810 223-1604.

Scripture Readings

June 4th

Numbers 11:24-30

Acts 2:1-21

John 14:23-31

June 11th

Genesis 1:1-2; 4a

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Matthew 28:16-20

June 18th

Exodus 19:2-8

Romans 5:6-15

Matthew 9:35-10:8

June 25th

Jeremiah 20:7-13

Romans 6:12-23

Matthew 10:5a; 21-33

Guest Speaker - Tim Bickel

People of the Book Lutheran Outreach is an effective international mission which primarily focuses on immigrants and refugees here in the USA. Saturday and Sunday June 24th & 25th, **POBLO Advocate Tim Bickel*** will be our guest speaker and our Bible class leader between services presenting "Islam Basics: What Every Christian Should Know". Before and after his 2008 retirement Tim taught eight times in China and once in Ethiopia. There will be a door offering to support POBLO. (*Ordained - St. Louis, 1971)

Tim Bickel graduated from Concordia Seminary and was ordained in 1971. He served LCMS parishes in Illinois, Alaska, Washington, Oregon, and Michigan before retiring in 2008. Both as a volunteer summer teacher and since 2008 as a contract teacher during school years, he has taught English in China since 1986. Tim also co-led a Mekane Yesus theological seminar in Ethiopia for the fastest growing church in East Africa 2002. Currently, both Tim and his wife, Julia, substitute teach.

For sixteen years Tim was a volunteer firefighter and designated chaplain in Washington and Oregon. In Oregon, he coordinated and conducted crisis debriefings to help keep emergency personnel in healthy service.

Tim sees himself as a grateful servant of Jesus Christ. He has a passion to be and bring the good news to all. He has cross cultural experience at home and abroad. And now he is humbled and honored to join POBLO bringing together God's people and foreign newcomers in response to Christ's Great Commission (Mark 16:15). He urges you to pray for the salvation of the lost and to ask what your part is while there is still time.

Happenings at St. Paul

Youth Events

Bon Fire

Fri., June 23rd

7-10PM at Matt & Angie Ayotte's Home

All Youth (6th – 12th grade) are invited.

Parents are also welcome.

Join us for a fun evening with S'mores, Hobo & Pizza Pies!



Mark your calendars for the annual High School Youth Camp Out

Fri., July 28th beginning at 8PM

until Sat., July 29th at 6AM.

This annual event is a favorite!

Join us for food, games, and lots of fun!

Scrapbooking & Crafts

Sat., June 10th from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall.

Pre register \$6.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door. Bring your scrapbooking or craft supplies and projects or just come and enjoy the fellowship! Stay for an hour, or the whole day. Please bring a dish to pass if staying all day and your beverage. **R.S.V.P.** in the school office 871-4581 or school.office@spmill.org.

8th Grade Graduation

Sun., June 11th in the 8:30AM service.



All **St. Paul students graduating from high school or college** are invited to wear their caps and gowns to our 8th grade graduation on Sun., June 11th in the 8:30AM service.

Congratulations and God's blessings to all the graduates!

Voters' Assembly Meeting

Sun., June 11th at 1:30PM.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Clean Out Day

The Board of Trustees will be hosting a "**clean out day**" on Saturday, June 17th. All boards and groups storing items in the building need to send a representative to assist. Time to be announced.

Happy *Father's* Day
Sunday, June 18th

School Registration

June 20th and 22nd 10PM-7PM

Messenger/Calendar Deadline

Friday, June 23rd

Vacation Bible School

June 26th-29th

Beginning at 5PM

Join us for a Family Focused Vacation Bible School!



The whole family is invited to Vacation Bible School.

We will start with dinner at 5PM, then have devotion time, games, and crafts - also for the whole family!

Please join us for a fun filled week!

Arts & Crafts Day Camp

Kid's Arts & Crafts Summer Day Camp

at St. Paul for ages 6 and over July 17th through July 20th from 10AM -2:30PM. Fee: \$100 for the entire camp or \$30 per day with a family discount for families with 3 or more attending. All supplies are included in the fee. Children should bring a sack lunch – dessert and drinks provided. If interested, registration forms can be found in the church or school office. Forms and payment can be returned to the school office before the end of the year, or mail to Cookie Schmitzer, 2707 Rossman Rd., Caro, MI 48723 by July 10th. Make checks payable to Harriet Schmitzer. Please call Cookie at 989-672-1007 with any questions.

June Meetings

Stewardship

Tues., June 6th at 7:30PM

Social Concerns

Wed., June 7th at 6:30PM

Council

Wed., June 7th at 7:30PM

Voters Meeting

Sun., June 11th at 1:30PM

Trustees

Sun., June 11th Following Voters' Meeting

Board of Education

Tues., June 13th at 6:30PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., June 26th at 7PM

Elders

Wed., June 28th at 7:30PM

Bookkeeper's Corner / Financial

The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills
Finance@spmill.org

At the end of June, it will be one year since I volunteered to take over the church books (yes, time flies!). I thought I'd take this opportunity to share the changes and progress made over the year.

My marching orders from our Treasurer, Steve Kern, were clear: make things simpler and easy to understand. He didn't tell me **how** to do things, but told me **what** he wanted to see. That's a big difference and key to our success. Thank you, Steve!

The streamlining process began with decentralizing the bookkeeping functions. Prior to July 1, 2016, all aspects of the books were centralized – meaning everything was done in the bookkeeping office. Today, bookkeeping functions are divided into three major categories and handled by other folks: Accounts Receivable (A/R), Accounts Payable (A/P), and Payroll.

A/R. Accounts Receivable is outstanding monies that people owe the Church/School. Since 100% of our A/R is generated by the school, this function has been delegated down to the Board of Education and administered by Diane Leach. Diane has taken the bull by the horns to say the least. She has a personal relationship with every parent and works to capture outstanding debt. Her persistence can be seen in the lowest accounts receivable ever. She has also worked hard to establish the FY 17/18 budget. Give her a big "thank you" next time you see her – she has made an extraordinary difference.

A/P. Accounts Payable is monies we owe other people. Rather than spending money and hope the funds are there to cover the expense, each Board is responsible to ensure the money is there **before** it's spent. We require purchase orders and an approval from the effected Board before expenses are obligated. Only then do I pay the bill.

Payroll. If something was to happen to me, payroll must go on. There are a lot of moving parts to the payroll – enter Sandy Weber. Sandy volunteered to learn the intricacies of the payroll system and is doing a superb job! She's a sponge when it comes to learning new things and I'm grateful for her. Say "thank you" next time you see her!

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(Bookkeeper's Corner Continued)

So what am I doing you ask? Diane's working the A/R, the Boards are working the A/P, and Sandy is doing payroll. My job now is oversight – I ensure things are right (the buck stops here), generate any checks that can't be done electronically, balance the books each month, and do all the taxes and reporting. Life is good.

So, now what? The volunteer year has come and gone in a flash. I did not expect this challenge to be joyous, but the people that work in this building and board members that were open to change have made all the difference. I look forward to my two days a week in the office because I get to listen to Stacey's laugh, the sounds of the children, the privilege of solving staff problems, not to mention being close enough to the Sanctuary to hear the organists rehearse. Doesn't get much better than this.

As I prayerfully considered how I can continue to best serve the Lord and His church, I bumped up against Romans 8:28 – "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose". I overwhelmingly feel this is where I'm called to serve and just as soon stay where I have been planted – as a volunteer bookkeeping servant - until such time (if ever) I'm called to serve elsewhere.

CEF BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

Mortgage balance as of 04/30/17: **\$865,440.07**

-- Interest Rate = 2.25%

-- Next Maturity Date = 01/01/2020 (interest rate change)

-- Debt free date if nothing changes = October 2022

-- April 2016 Mortgage payment = \$14,135.00

--- Principal = \$12,474.13

--- Interest = \$1,660.87

--- Amount received to pay mortgage:

\$12,186.00 (short)

--- Amount used in contingency fund: \$ 1,949.00

April 2017 Income & Expense Summary

April General Fund Income: **\$ 77,976.23**

April General Fund Expense: **(\$ 84,016.97)**

April Deficit: **(\$ 6,040.74)**

Checkbook balance as of **04/30/17**: **\$ 193,394.71**

Designated & Memorial Obligation: **(\$ 236,787.93)**

Our total Deficit: **(\$ 43,393.22)**

**We wish God's richest blessings on
Pastor Abatelli, Katie, Jacob, and
Maddie as they move to their new
home in Tennessee and move forward
in this next chapter of their lives.**

Vacancy Report / CEF

Vacancy Plan Report

I have been reflecting on what the future holds. For a while, I will be your only shepherd (pastor), and there are a lot of sheep (members and community members) who need care. This combination requires planning, preparation and engagement.

Identifying our needs is the key to planning. We have already begun the process of a self-study as a congregation. This is an opportunity for everyone in the congregation, who participates, to help us see what we are doing well and what areas need improvement. With this information, we will be able to prepare short and long-term goals. These goals will define specific ministries for our church and the staffing needs. Realistically, we will not immediately achieve all these goals, but we will work toward them over time.

What ministries do we need in order to help serve our members and reach new people with the message of our Savior's love? Those answers will come from what we identify through the self-study. Please help us encourage everyone to participate now and in the future as we plan, prepare and become engaged in the ministry.

The church can be portrayed as a wooden tub with 8 staves (boards). God is pouring down blessings on the church, but it will only hold these blessings up to the level of the lowest stave. Through another part of our self-study, we are identifying which stave(s) are lowest so that we can work to extend them. This will allow us to receive the blessings God intends for us as each of these 8 areas of a healthy and growing church is extended to its full length. For example, if our "small groups" stave is low, then we are not able to enjoy the blessings God intends for us through fellowship with other Christians. We are "leaking out" what God wants us to enjoy through this area and not receiving the full God-blessed benefit of congregational life. If our "gift-oriented ministry" stave is low, then we miss out on the blessings God is pouring out for those we could serve and for us to receive as we serve.

This self-study process will take some time and effort, but in the long run it will help us to receive the blessings God intends and to be the church that is living out the plan God has for us. Please keep praying for God's guidance and encourage one another to become engaged in the ministry God has given us to enjoy as a church.

Church Extension Fund

Leave a Life Legacy

When we think of leaving a legacy to our family we often think of money and other assets. Our many years of experiences may be even more valuable to our children and grandchildren. Giving the next generation our earthly resources without informational, mental, emotional or value foundations can be like giving them a loaded weapon without instruction or caution.

Holiday and family gatherings provide an opportunity to capture the wisdom elders have to offer. Adult children and grandchildren can start by asking older relatives to share memories and anecdotes. But don't stop there. Ask what they learned from the experience. When you ask a person for advice, it empowers them and honors their life.

In a comfortable setting you can start the process without anyone realizing you are passing along your wisdom. Maybe it's sitting around a campfire or in the living room at a family gathering when you encourage each generation to talk about family traditions they love and how they think they got started.

Karl Pillemer from Cornell University suggests some questions to ask important people in your life. What "Words of Wisdom" will come by discovering answers to these questions?

1. What are the most important lessons you have learned in your life?
2. What advice would you give about getting and staying married?
3. Share your best advice about raising children.
4. How did you find fulfilling work and start a successful career?
5. Explain how key events or experiences changed the course of your life.
6. What do you know now about living a happy life you didn't know at age 20?
7. What are the values or principles that direct your life?
8. How did your faith in God shape your decisions over the years?
9. What was the most difficult experience you had and what did you learn from it?
10. What advice would you give to people about growing older?

You can also be a living example to your family. Talk to them about your faith and reasons for making contributions to the ministries that have made a difference in your life. Tell your family what you wish to have happen to the assets God has entrusted to you through a Will or Revocable Living Trust. You can find additional Family Communication Resources on the Church Extension Fund website at www.mi-cef.org. Click on Gift Planning and scroll to the bottom of the page to find several PDF files that you are free to use with your family. Share your experience and wisdom today.

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Memorials / Serve & Volunteer / Thanks

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

In Memory of Helen Cummings	
General Fund	\$ 55.00
Building Fund	\$ 60.00
Kitchen Fund-Hot Lunch	\$ 20.00
In Memory of Loraine Weiss	
General Fund	\$ 40.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00
In Memory of Rudy Saeger	
General Fund	\$ 50.00
In Memory of Bill Bretzloff	
Designated by Family	\$ 40.00
General Fund	\$330.00
Grantparent Fund	\$ 10.00

Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

Do you enjoy mowing, weeding, or other yard work? If so, we are looking for volunteers to mow the large yard, push mow some smaller areas near the building, and do weeding. If you are interested please contact the church office, or the board of trustees.

Ushers needed for the Saturday evening service for the months of March, June, September, and December. Please call Jim Jaruzel at 871-3845 to serve in this way.

Dorcas Ladies are still crafting! If you have any of the listed items, please bring to the school office or the box in the narthex. Zippers, Icebreaker mint containers, large artificial flowers, key ring circles, ribbon, yarn, lace, plain glass or plastic round ornament bulbs, any beads, and any pompons.

The second Saturday of every month **six volunteers are needed** to be the hands and feet of Jesus by preparing and serving meals at the **City Rescue Mission** of Saginaw. **Our next date is June 10th.** Arrival at the Mission is 10AM and we finish by 2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help. Anyone wishing to **help prepare sack lunches** to take to the mission are asked to come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., June 9th at 1:30PM. Monetary donations are welcomed and needed for the sack lunches. Thank you!

Baby Bottle Drive - Help us to support **Positive Alternatives** in Caro to help young, pregnant mothers. This year you have the option to either take a bottle home or put your spare change in the large bottle in the narthex. If you take a bottle home, please return by Father's Day.

Special Thanks!

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church Friends:

Thank you so much for participating in the 2017 Hope and Care Tote campaign. Your donation is truly a blessing to those in need.

The Rescue Mission provided shelter for almost 1196 people in 2016. Hope and Care Totes play a vital role in providing emergency care to families and individuals facing homelessness. When a Mission guest receives a bag filled with basic hygiene products, it can make all the difference in a difficult situation.

We thank God for your generosity and for your prayers. We pray that you will partner again with us in 2018.

Thank you for all you do throughout the year as well. Our guests and staff appreciate your faithfulness!

Sincerely, Nancy Hillenbrand, Director of Volunteers and Church Relations, City Rescue Mission of Saginaw

Thank you to the members of St. Paul for all your eyeglass donations. The people who receive them are very grateful and appreciate the opportunity to have better vision. Special thanks to those individuals who continue to support me financially, including St. Paul congregation. In all the areas of my mission journey, thank you for supporting me in doing the Lord's work in a distant land. When the day of June 30th arrives, please include me on your prayer list and pray for safety in my travels and for the Holy Spirit to touch the lives of the people of Belize who may come to our clinics to help spread the news that Jesus is the way of salvation.

In Christ's service, Janette Keinath

Wow! So many thanks are needed! The Youth Committee would like to **thank** the following: Trust & Investment for approving the funding to remodel the Youth Room - how blessed we are to have a fund that can be used for improving our church and school; the Board of Trustees for supporting and presenting our proposal to the Trust & Investment Committee; Dennis & Matt Allen for the drywall work; Danny & Jamie Brandle for helping with the counter top; Tim, Connie, & Corey Daenzer for the many hours of work put into remodeling the youth room - you guys are awesome; Connie Rodammer & crew for painting; Pierce Force, Peyton & Quilleran Schmandt for helping with the floor; and Roger Leach and Bill Weber for hauling our trash out numerous times. Thank you for investing your time and talents for our youth. You've all made a huge impact!

The Valley Lutheran students would like to **thank** everyone who supported them this year. We are blessed to have a great Lutheran high school that we can attend and blessed by people like you who support us!

Storyhour, Quilting and Children's Sunday School are on break for the summer. These programs will begin again in the fall, after Labor Day. **Thank you** to all who have been involved. It's been a great year! Remember to let others know about all the wonderful programs we have to offer, and please invite them to join us in the fall. Have a great summer!

Daily Lectionary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Daily Lectionary June 2017 LSB: pp. 299-304	Meditation from: <u>God Grant It, Daily Devotions from C. F. W. Walther, oph</u> 2006. Friday after Pentecost (p. 464) – Following the 1 Year Lectionary – John 14:24-26 See D.L. reading for June 13.					
<u>4</u> Nu 21:10-35 (Pentecost) Lk 21:20-38 Ps 135:8-14	<u>5</u> Nu 22:1-20 Lk 22:1-23 Ps 128	<u>6</u> Nu 22:21 -- 23:3 Lk 22:24-46 Ps 94:8-14	<u>7</u> Nu 23:4-28 Lk 22:47-71 Ps 22:19-26	<u>8</u> Nu 24:1-25 Lk 23:1-25 Ps 1	<u>9</u> Nu 27:12-23 Lk 23:26-56 Ps 132:8-12	<u>10</u> Nu 32:1-6, 16-27 Lk 24:1-27 Ps 97:6-12
<u>11</u> Nu 35:9-30 (Holy Trinity) Lk 24:28-53 Ps 46:1-7	<u>12</u> Pr 10:1-23 Jn 14:1-17 Ps 37:1-7	<u>13</u> Pr 13:1-25 Jn 14:18-31 Ps 68:32-35	<u>14</u> Pr 14:1-27 Jn 15:1-11 Ps 66:1-8	<u>15</u> Pr 15:1-29 Jn 15:12-27 Ps 51:1-12	<u>16</u> Pr 16:1-24 Jn 16:1-16 Ps 147:1-11	<u>17</u> Pr 17:1-28 Jn 16:17-33 Ps 107:1-9
<u>18</u> Pr 20:5-25 (2 nd S. a. P.) Jn 17:1-26 Ps 86:9-17	<u>19</u> Pr 22:1-21 Jn 18:1-14 Ps 31:9-10, 14-19	<u>20</u> Pr 22:22 -- 23:12 Jn 18:15-40 Ps 45:6-12	<u>21</u> Pr 24:1-22 Jn 19:1-22 Ps 22:22-27	<u>22</u> Pr 25:1-22 Jn 19:23-42 Ps 22:12-21	<u>23</u> Pr 27:1-24 Jn 20:1-18 Ps 139:14-18, 23- 24	<u>24</u> Pr 30:1-9, 18-33 Jn 20:19-31 Ps 85:7-13
<u>25</u> Pr 31:10-31 (3 rd S. a. P.) Jn 21:1-25 Ps 119:41-48	<u>26</u> Jsh 1:1-18 Acts 8:1-25 Ps 31:19-24	<u>27</u> Jsh 2:1-24 Acts 8:26-40 Ps 51:1-9	<u>28</u> Jsh 3:1-17 Acts 9:1-22 Ps 89:24-29	<u>29</u> Jsh 4:1-24 Acts 9:23-43 Ps 103:1-12	<u>30</u> Jsh 5:1 -- 6:5 Acts 10:1-17 Ps 114	

Since only those who love Christ and keep His Word belong to the Christian Church, that Church is made up of a host of people who are known only to God. For only the Lord, the One who knows the heart, knows His own. No person can see into the heart of another or behold the living love of Christ in the soul of another. No person can discern the motives for the actions of another, which alone determine whether that individual truly or only apparently keeps the Word of Christ. Therefore, the Church, although it is made up of visible people, remains an invisible multitude because no person can distinguish those who love Christ from those who do not. It may seem to be impossible to tell where the Church can be found, although it extends over the entire face of the earth.

Nevertheless, there is one sign that makes the location of the Church unmistakable. The Lord Himself declares this sign in today's text. As His ascension neared, Christ comforted His own with this sign. Although he would no longer be a visible presence in their lives, He would send the Holy Spirit to teach them everything and remind them of all He had spoken to them. What He declared to be inseparable from His Word, His Gospel. This is the certain sign by which the Church can be recognized.

The Church is the fellowship of all true believers and the body of Christ, and nothing except the Word makes a person a true believer and a member of that fellowship. Therefore, the Church of true believers can be found only where the Word is also found. As one may look for stalks of wheat to spring up only where wheat seeds have been sown, so also can one seek the sprouting of invisible true Christians only where the heavenly seeds of grain from the Word have been sown.

...the spiritual seed of the Word differs from earthly seed: "so shall My word be that goes out from My mouth; it shall not return to Me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it" (Is 55:11). Therefore, God's Word is never preached in vain. Wherever He allows His Word to be preached, some will certainly be converted. Wherever He gives His means of grace, are those who will be pardoned. ... wherever there is a visible congregation in which God's Word is taught purely and distinctly, there may be found the invisible Church of true believers who lie like the heavenly kernel lies hidden in the earthly shell. Everything else that is extolled as a mark of the Church—outward holiness, good works of its members, long duration of its existence, -- ... can deceive, but the mark of the preaching of the pure Word is infallible. Wherever it is found, we can be sure there is the work place of the Holy Ghost. There we can hear the mighty, rushing wind in which the Spirit descends. Through the preaching of the Word of Christ, He continues to call, gather, enlighten, sanctify, and preserve the one holy Christian Church with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

Acolytes, Screen Techs, Greeters, Ushers, Altar Guild, Sextons

June	3/4	10/11	17/18	24/25
Acolytes				
7:30PM		Kailee & Chad Fackler	Alden & Jay Rodammer	Zac & Nic Yorke
8:30AM	Hoards	Paige & Matt Ayotte	Hoards	Kirsten Skouson & Ed White
11AM	Brandon & Mark Rude	Andrew & Mike Hoard	Grace & Tim Brown	Levi & Heath Keinath
Screen Tech				
7:30PM	Logan Curtis		Caden Wilson	Meagan Tolbert
8:30AM	Paige Ayotte	Singers	Landon Kern	Ill's
11AM	Levi Keinath	Brandon Rude	Julie Keinath	Hunter Ayotte
Greeters				
7:30PM	Shelli Lugg	Betty Bleuer	Laura Sherman	
8:30AM	Shirely Petzold	Ken & Kathy Ill		
11AM	Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims	LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel	Rosie Horning, Dale & Pam Hanlin, Keith & Heidi Woolwine	
Subs	Sherry Sebert			

Ushers

8:30AM Service

Captain – Dwight Keinath
 Assistant – Michael Albert
 Ken Auernhammer
 Mitchel Ill
 Colin Meacham
 Daniel Meacham
 Jeremy Petzold
 Luke Platt
 Matt Singer
 Eugene Weiss
 Bud Zeck
 Mike Ziegler

11AM Service

Captain – Richard Harpst
 Assistant – Jay Rodammer
 Mike Hoard
 Heath Keinath
 John Petzold
 Michael Rader
 Mark Rude
 Hans Schmandt

Ushers

Saturday 7:30PM Service

Captain– Jim Jaruzel
 Don Bierlein

Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Amy Yorke
 8:30AM - Angie Zeck
 11AM -

Church Sextons

Mathew & Angela Ayotte
 Armand & Faye Carmona
 Ed & Marcia Keinath
 Ted & Katrina Wager
 Rod & Nancy Wilson

*Thank you to our many volunteers who give their time to help with the worship services.
 May your servant heart continue to bless those you serve at St. Paul.
 You are appreciated!*

Birthday Celebrations

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

*Happy
Birthday!*

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St. Paul Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 6:15PM Praise Team 7:15PM Evangelism	2	3 7:30AM Men's Bible Study 7:30PM Worship
4 Pastor Abatelli's Last Day 8:30AM Worship +C Church Choir 9:45AM Pastor Abatelli Farewell 11AM Worship Church Choir 12:15-2:30 High School BBQ/8 th Grade Welcome	5	6 7PM Stewardship	7 1/2 Day of School 6:30PM Social Concerns 7PM Kindergarten Graduation 7:30PM Council	8 Last Day of School 6:15PM Praise Team	9 1:30PM Pack Lunches	10 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking 10AM Saginaw Mission 7:30PM Worship +C
11 8:30AM Worship 8 th Grade Graduation Faculty Choir 9:45AM Bible Study 11AM Worship +C 1:30PM Voters Trustees following Voters	12	13 6:30PM Board of Ed.	14	15 6:15PM Praise Team	16 <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	17 Clean Out Day Time TBA 7:30PM Worship
18 8:30AM Worship +C 9:45AM Bible Study New Member Welcome 11AM Worship Contemporary Adult Confirmation	19	20 10AM-7PM School Registration	21	22 10AM-7PM School Registration 6:15PM Praise Team	23 9AM-6PM Garage Sale 7-10PM Youth (6 th -12 th grade) Bonfire at Ayotte's	24 9AM-6PM Garage Sale 7:30PM Worship +C
25 8:30AM Worship 9:45AM Bible Study 11AM Worship +C Contemporary 9AM-2PM Garage Sale	26 5-7PM VBS 7PM Stephen Ministry	27 5-7PM VBS	28 5-7PM VBS 7:30PM Elders	29 5-7PM VBS 6:15PM Praise Team	30	



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“Don’t worry about anything, instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done. Then you will experience God’s peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:6-7

This school year is quickly coming to a close. As our classes for the year end this month, we should all remember how much our heavenly Father has blessed us, and as we continue in faith to walk through the rest of our adventures as His children, wherever He may lead us. Thank you Lord, for all You have blessed us with and done for us, Your children!

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

June 2nd Shirt Day

June 7th $\frac{1}{2}$ day of class 11:15 a.m. dismissal & Kindergarten Graduation at 7 p.m.
Congratulations graduates!

June 8th Last day of class with Chapel -field day with a 2:40p.m. pick-up

June 11th 8th Grade Graduation-Sunday in the 8:30 a.m. service.

Congratulations graduates.

June 20th & 22nd 2017-2018 School Registration 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Your child(ren)'s report card(s) may be picked up at registration. Please make sure you bring all pertinent papers and insurance cards.

June 23-25th St. Paul annual Garage Sale

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

June 26-29th Family oriented VBS with a barnyard/farm theme with a free dinner from 5-7 p.m

St. Paul Lutheran School registration is **June 20th & 22nd** for returning, new and perspective students from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Please help us get the word out. If you know of someone who could be blessed by the Christ-centered education which is offered at St. Paul Lutheran School, please tell them or better yet, invite the to come with you. They will have the opportunity to meet with some of the teachers, take a tour of the school and receive information concerning enrollment.



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 17th**.

As a reminder, even though it is summer, we still have some **SCRIP** on hand, the Kroger, Meijer & Boxtops for Education programs continue.

Our 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 5th!**



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