



# Monthly Messenger

## St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

February 2018

*"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

Dear Fellow Servants,

February is associated with expressing love for others. If we look around St. Paul Lutheran, we can see the expression of love, not just in February, but throughout the year.

Every week we say, "We are God's servants, saved by grace...." There *are* many humble servants at St. Paul expressing their love for God and for others in various ways. These servants of Jesus do not look for recognition or accolades. They simply do whatever needs to be done, because they realize how God served them. It was out of love, that Jesus came, not just to say, "I love you," but to show it in the ultimate way. He sacrificed His own life for us. "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends" John 15:13.

"God's servants..." where? Look around. Look with the intention of seeing what someone is doing to show their love for God. Don't judge what they are doing, rather **look at the motivation**. When we look through this lens, we see how many positive things are being accomplished out of love for Jesus.

Expressions of love are not only directed toward God. There are also many ways that we can show our love for one another. Jesus said, "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" John 13:35.

The more I pause to look, the more I see love. I see a tremendous amount of love being expressed toward God and others at St. Paul. One member even stopped in to talk with me about how there are members expressing love in numerous ways toward God and others. This member is seeing the motivation... of love.

I am thankful that many people are being servants of Christ because of love.

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

Rev. James R. Bruner

"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

**UPdates:** Many are talking about how the Lord is blessing St. Paul. God is showing us the new dawn of a blessed future.

1. If you had not heard, that is part of the reason I turned down the call to Redeemer Lutheran in Claremore, OK.
2. God has blessed us with a part-time assistant for pastoral ministry. Rev. Bob Smith will be sharing his experience and humble service for the next five months. He will primarily be assisting with preaching, visitation and a few other items that can fit into 20 hours per week.
3. In the meantime, we have requested from District a call list for an Associate Pastor. The main focus is a pastor who has had training or experience with Family Life Ministry. Members are welcome to suggest names to be added to the list. Stop by the church office to complete the form that can be submitted for consideration.

# Spiritual News

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

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

### **Sunday School**

**Adult Instruction Class** – Led by Pastor Bruner in the multi-purpose room. We will explore the basics of the Christian faith and other important answers God provides.

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**Women's Bible Study** – "Bless These Lips" – Mondays at 9AM in the Youth Room. Words are powerful. They can build up or tear down. They can affirm and teach or criticize and condemn. By God's grace, a mouth makeover can improve our relationships and affect our attitude toward life. God desires that we use the gift of speech to give Him praise, encourage others, and verbalize our faith in Christ as Lord and Savior. Call Lisa Mohr 989-550-0412 or Denise Miller 810-656-2330 if questions.

## **Scripture Readings**

### **Feb. 4th**

Isaiah 40:21-31

1 Corinthians 9:16-27

Mark 1:29-39

### **Feb. 11th**

2 Kings 2:1-12

2 Corinthians 3:12-13; 4:1-6

Mark 9:2-9

### **Feb. 18th**

Genesis 22:1-18

James 1:12-18

Mark 1:9-15

### **Feb. 25th**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

## **Hymns of the Lenten Season**

*Hymns of the Lenten Season  
February/March 2018*

*"O Dearest Jesus,  
What Law Hast Thou Broken"*

*"When to Our World the Savior Came"*



The Lenten hymns communicate the severity of Christ's ransom paid for us: crown of thorns, smite, scourge, mock, gall, and ultimately the incomprehensible crucifixion. He did nothing to deserve this, yet He sacrificed Himself so that we might receive the crown in heaven. His love is incomprehensible. Jesus gave us the Word and Baptism so that we might be delivered from the darkness; now we must lead others to the truth of the Gospel - until every tongue confess His praise.

## **Music**

### **Handbells**

Mondays at 7PM

### **Church Choir**

Wednesdays at 6:45PM

\*\*New Time\*\*

### **Praise Team**

Thursdays at 6:15PM



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

Feb. 4th — "Like Eagles" - Isaiah 40:28-31

Feb. 11th — "You Sure Look Different" - Mark 9:2-9

Feb. 18th — "Contrasting Adams" - Mark 1:9-15

Feb. 25th — "What's Your Final Answer?" - Mark 8:29

**LENT BEGINS**  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 14TH**  
**WORSHIP SERVICE AT 4PM**



# Happenings at St. Paul

## Tuesdays at St. Paul

**Quilting** - 12-3PM in the Parish Hall

**Painting** - 6-8PM in the Projects Room

**AA** - 7:30PM in the Council Room

## Storyhour

**St. Paul Storyhour** meets every **Friday** from 9-11AM in the nursery. If there is no school, then no Storyhour. All preschool children are invited to join us for Bible stories, games, activities, crafts, and of course, a snack! If questions, call Lori Osborn at 989-205-9873.

## Men's Euchre

Sat., Feb. 3rd

4-7:30PM in the Parish Hall

All men – ages high school and up – are invited to join us for a

**Men's Euchre** Event.

Please bring a dish to pass.

Chili will be provided.

Invite your friends and family too!!



## Valentine's Day Carnations

**Carnation Sales** will begin Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Orders will be taken outside the church office before and after the service on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, between services on Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, and before school Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. \$1.50 each or \$15.00 per dozen and will be delivered to the school on Valentine's Day. If questions, call Joyce Wager 871-2995. Please leave a message if no answer.

## Scrapbooking & Crafts

Sat., Feb. 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@spsmill.org.

## Voters' Assembly Meeting

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

Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Messenger/Calendar Deadline**  
**Fri., February 16th**

## 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, Feb. 16th**.

## Lutheran School's Week Kick Off Event for ALL ages!

March 2nd 6PM-9PM

Dinner provided by PTL

Lego themed evening. Bring your favorite Lego set and watch the Lego movie. Everyone is invited!

Watch for more Lutheran School's Week details in the upcoming weeks.

## February Meetings

### Stephen Ministry

Every Monday at 7PM

### Youth Team

Tues., Feb. 6th at 6PM

### Social Concerns

Tues., Feb. 6th at 6:15PM

### Stewardship

Tues., Feb. 6th at 7PM

### Council

Wed., Feb. 7th at 6:30PM

\*\*Note the time change.

Council meetings will now be at 6:30PM.

### Voters'

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

### Board of Education

Tues., Feb. 13th at 6PM

### Evangelism

Thurs., Feb. 15th at 7PM

### Dorcas

Tues., Feb. 20th at 6PM

### Elders

Wed., at 7:30PM

## Area News

**Coach needed:** Valley Lutheran is in need of a JV baseball coach for this spring. Please call Kurt Hofmeister 989-225-7385 or Eric Smith 989-790-1676, if interested.

### Millington Community Center Upcoming Events:

**Valentine Dance and Potluck** Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>. Potluck 4-5PM, Music 5-7PM. Cost \$6.

**Magic Show** (Family Friendly) Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Millington Community Center. \$15.00 if pre-ordered, \$20 at the door.

**Millington Gong Show** Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Looking for good and bad acts. Email auditions to LM@LMServiceLLC.com or text to 810 516 4745. Acts should be no more than 4 minutes.

# Youth News / Serve & Volunteer / Misc.

## Youth News

*As iron sharpens iron,  
so one person sharpens another.*

*Proverbs 27:17*

### Impact

Grades 9-12

#### **Super Bowl Pre-Party & Nerf Wars**

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> from 3-6PM

#### **Go Carts & Dinner**

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> – Time TBA

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### Ignite

Grades 6-8

#### **Super Bowl Pre-Party & Nerf Wars**

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> from 3-6PM

#### **Sledding (Depending on Snow!)**

Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-4PM



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The **Youth** are hosting **coffee hour** between services on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> and asked to bring a dish to pass. Some suggestions: Milk, Orange Juice, Coffee Cake, Egg Bake, Cookies, etc. Please call the church office if you can bring something and have it in the kitchen before 9:30AM that day. Thank you!

The next **Youth Team Meeting** is Tues., Feb. 6th at 6PM in the Youth Room. Everyone is invited to come and share your ideas. We are always looking for extra help at any of the events. Come and see what the youth do!

## Valley Lutheran High School

### Honor Roll

#### 3.7+

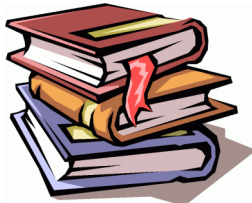
Tyler Bentley

Pierce Force

Sterling Force

Katherine Weber

Abigail Brown



## Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

### Worship Screen

There are still many openings to run the screen in 2018.

#### **Available times:**

-Saturdays at 7:30PM - All available except for the 1st Sat. of the month.

-The 2nd Sunday of the month at 11AM

-The 5th Sunday of the month at 8:30AM

Anyone can do this (adults or children 6th grade and up) and we will train you. Even if you can just do one or two of the times, that would be great! Please call the church office to help.

### Saginaw City Rescue Mission

Matt. 25:35 *"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."*

-Every second Saturday of every month **six volunteers are needed** to prepare and serve meals at the **City Rescue Mission** of Saginaw. **Our next date is Feb. 10th.** Arrival at the Mission is 10AM and we finish by 2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help.

-We also prepare sack lunches the Friday before. Anyone wishing to **help, please** come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., **Feb. 9th** at 1:30PM. There is also a sign-up sheet on the glass case in the narthex.

### Health Kits

**We are collecting for the Health Kits again** and need 25 shampoos, 10 wash cloths, 25 hand towels, 10 toothpastes, and 20 combs.

### Lenten Dinners

Lent is just around the corner! We would like to once again have **Lenten Dinners** following the Wednesday Church Service. Anyone is welcome to provide a meal with your choice of food. This can also be used as a fundraiser. Available dates: Feb. 14 & 28, March 7 & 21. Call the church office to sign up.

*Welcome*

We want to extend a **warm welcome to Pastor Smith!** He will be with us for the next five months as we go through the call process for an Associate Pastor. Please take some time to introduce yourself to Pastor Smith and let him know you appreciate his willingness to serve at St. Paul.

# Bookkeeper's Corner / Memorials

## The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills  
[Finance@spmill.org](mailto:Finance@spmill.org)

Let's do a comparison of our general fund between December 2016 and December 2017 – this will give you a good idea of how our funds have been stewarded:

December 2016  
Calendar year-to-date surplus: \$65,829.34  
Overall church deficit: (\$12,138.84)

December 2017  
Calendar year-to-date surplus: \$104,919.49  
Overall church surplus: \$43,216.42

What has caused this swing? The biggest factor is we are only paying for one pastor. Had we had a second pastor, we probably wouldn't have an overall church surplus. Maybe.

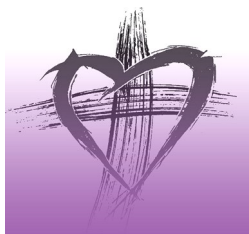
The second contributing factor is our planned accounts receivable with school tuition payments. With few exceptions, parents have met their pledges on time and on a regular basis. How great is that?

Lastly, end of year contributions are always higher as members are calculating tax implications with and without extra contributions. We are so blessed to be the recipient of these extra gifts.

Now for the future: we will see an interim pastor to assist Pastor Bruner until we are able to issue a Divine Call for an associate pastor. While the associate pastor wage and benefits won't affect the FY 17-18 budget, the interim pastor wages will – it wasn't budgeted. Guest preacher fees were in the budget, but those funds are just about expended.

What does this mean? If we continue to receive an average of \$53,000/month in love offerings and \$8,000/month in tuition payments, we will chip away at our surplus by about \$25,000/month (wages and benefits alone is a \$73,000/month ticket item). It won't take long for that surplus door to swing back the other way.

We're getting ready to enter the FY 18-19 budget cycle – these are things to think about. "God owns everything and we get to manage it for Him".



## **MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS**

A Gift to Seminarian Fund - Tim Kern	\$40.40
In Memory of Erwin Weber	
General Fund	\$10.00
Building Fund	\$25.00
Grantparent Fund (School)	\$60.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$330.00
In Memory of Erwin Reinert	
General Fund	\$500.00
Building Fund	\$500.00
In Memory of Bob & Duane Benish	
General Fund	\$50.00
In Memory of Ron Keinath	
Grantparent Fund (School)	\$65.00
Building Fund	\$20.00

## **Memorials Updates**

The Memorials Committee made some much needed updates in 2017. You may notice changes in our financial reports from the 2016 Annual Report compared to the 2017 Annual Report. We have streamlined the Memorials to better steward funds to meet the needs of both the church and school.

There are now four types of Memorials people may designate funds to: Church General Fund, School General Fund, Building Fund, and Undesignated. By restricting donations to one of these four groups, we are able to meet more needs throughout the church. Any board or church member can request funds from the Memorial Undesignated account and the committee will evaluate the need, then process the necessary paperwork. As an example: we recently found an altar chalice with a crack. Altar vessels are not a budget item, so the General Fund was not an avenue that could be tapped for the money. The Board of Elders submitted a request to Memorials to purchase a new chalice and matching ciborium for around \$1,300. We had the funds and we now have a new set of vessels.

Specific needs of the church can be met through Memorials by placing the funds in the Undesignated and then placing a request from Memorials to have that need fulfilled.

If you have any questions regarding this updated procedure, please contact me at 989-871-4809 or cell phone 989-529-2513. You can also call the church office who will pass any messages to me.

-Sharon Keinath

# Daily Lectionary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>February</b>						
<b>4</b> Job 1:1-22 John 1:1-18	<b>5</b> Job 2:1-3:10 John 1:19-34	<b>6</b> Job 3:11-26 John 1:35-51	<b>7</b> Job 4:1-21 John 2:1-12	<b>8</b> Job 5:1-27 John 2:13-25	<b>9</b> Job 6:1-13 John 3:1-21	<b>10</b> Job 6:14-30 John 3:22-4:6
<b>11</b> Job 7:1-21 John 4:7-26	<b>12</b> Job 8:1-22 John 4:27-45	<b>13</b> Job 9:1-35 John 4:46-54	<b>14</b> <b>Ash Wed.</b> Gen. 1:1-19 Mk. 1:1-13	<b>15</b> Gen. 1:20-2:3 Mk. 1:14-28	<b>16</b> Gen. 2:4-25 Mk. 1:29-45	<b>17</b> Gen. 3:1-24 Mk. 2:1-17
<b>18</b> Gen. 4:1-26 Mk. 2:18-28	<b>19</b> Gen. 6:1-7:5 Mk. 3:1-19	<b>20</b> Gen. 7:11-8:12 Mk. 3:20-25	<b>21</b> Gen. 8:13-9:17 Mk. 4:1-20	<b>22</b> Gen. 11:27-12:20 Mk. 4:21-41	<b>23</b> Gen. 13:1-18 Mk. 5:1-20	<b>24</b> Is. 66:1-2 Acts 1:15-26 Matt. 11:25-30
<b>25</b> Gen. 16:1-9, 15-17:22 Mk. 6:1-13	<b>26</b> Gen. 18:1-15 Mk. 6:14-34	<b>27</b> Gen. 21:1-21 Mk. 6:35-56	<b>28</b> Gen. 22:1-19 Mk. 7:1-23			

# Financial Summary / LEAP / Misc.

## CEF BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT

**Mortgage balance** as of 12/31/17: \$ 764,804.42  
-- Debt free date if nothing changes = October 2022  
-- Dec 2017 Mortgage payment = \$14,135.00  
--- Principal = \$ 12,662.24  
--- Interest = \$ 1,472.76  
--- Amount received to pay mortgage: \$ 14,161.70 (surplus)  
--- Amount used in contingency fund:  
\$ None - Added \$26.70

Dec. 2017 Income & Expense Summary  
Dec. General Fund Income: \$ 92,462.37  
Dec. General Fund Expense: ( 80,197.46)  
Dec. Surplus \$ 12,264.91

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Checkbook balance as of 12/31/17: \$ 287,280.32  
Designated & Memorial Obligation: (\$ 244,063.90)  
Our total Surplus \$ 43,216.42



## Summer Worship Services

The **worship service change** for the summer months has been given a "Yes" by the congregation with a vote of 219 – yes / 29 – no. We will have one Sunday service at 10AM for the months of July and August with Bible Study at 9AM. Saturday evening will stay the same at 7:30PM. Communion will be served the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays. Contemporary service will be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

## What Is ExtensionPlus?

The CEF ExtensionPlus is an easy-access savings vehicle from Church Extension Fund. Continue to support the ministry of CEF in providing space and place for sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ and be able to access your investments via your own checkbook or VISA®/ATM Card or withdraw your investment at an ATM. For more information, call them [800.242.3944](tel:800.242.3944) or visit [www.mi-cef.org](http://www.mi-cef.org).

## Messenger Sponsors

**Messenger sponsors** are needed for 2018. The cost is now \$75.00 per month. Please call the church office if interested.

## **// LEAP Alliance //**

### **Lutheran Education Advancement Plan Advancing Lutheran Education for Future Generations Across the Great Lakes Bay Region**

**Story from "LEAP" . . . February 2018. . .**

**. . . PASTORS AND SCHOOL PRINCIPALS MEET TOGETHER REGULARLY**

In 2011, representatives of our area Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod churches and schools began to engage in strategic planning for what would eventually become the "Lutheran Education Advancement Plan - LEAP Alliance." Already in those days, one of many objectives for building an alliance was to bring pastors and school principals together on a regular basis to collaborate on matters of shared ministry. Late in 2013, the first such "P2 Pastors and Principals Meeting" occurred. Such "LEAP P2 Meetings" are still occurring, three times each year.

Mrs. Jennifer Enge, Principal of St. John (Amelith) Lutheran School in Bay City, has been and continues to be the coordinator for the "LEAP P2 meetings" which are held at our various LEAP church/school sites, including churches that do not presently operate parish schools. The meetings often provide opportunities for touring the church and school sites and hearing the stories of ministry actions that occur there. At the "P2 Meetings," primary meeting attention is given to hearing and discussing interesting and timely meeting topics. Examples have been "Children's Church," "TEAM Ministry," "Being a Lutheran in a Post-Churched Culture," "Funding Options," and many more.

While pastors have conferenced together often for many years, and school principals have done the same, the "LEAP P2" pastor-principal meetings have proven to be beneficial and appreciated. Pastors and principals have shared resources and ideas as a result of the "P2 meetings." There have been best practice question-and-answer-conversations leading to learning what various congregations and schools are doing to meet needs and to respond to challenges. It has even been beneficial for our church/school leaders to learn once again that many of the challenges they face are rather universal. We pray God's continued blessing upon the "LEAP P2 Meetings"!

///LEAP - on the web at [LEAP-alliance.com](http://LEAP-alliance.com) and on Facebook at LEAP-Lutheran Education Advancement Plan///

## Lenten Worship / Holy Week

### ***Lenten Worship Services at 4PM***

Wednesdays at 4PM Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – March 21<sup>st</sup>

#### **Lenten Dinners from 5-6PM**

on the following dates:

#### **Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - Salisbury Steak**

Sponsored by the Fellowship Board

#### **March 14<sup>th</sup> - Soup & Salad Dinner from 5-6PM**

Sponsored by the Church Choir

**We are looking for groups to share a meal** following the services.

This can be any menu you choose and can be used as a fundraiser.

Dates available: Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>.

Call the church office if questions or to pick your date to serve a meal. We look forward to meeting together in worship and following with a meal and fellowship.

### ***2018 Holy Week Services***



***Maundy Thursday*** – March 29<sup>th</sup>

7PM - Worship with Communion

***Good Friday*** – March 30<sup>th</sup>

1:30PM – Worship; 7PM Tenebrae



***Easter Celebrations*** – April 1<sup>st</sup>

6:30AM – Sunrise

8:30 & 11AM – Worship with Communion

***Easter Breakfast*** 7:30-10AM

Free Will Donation

Proceeds go to the Church Worker Fund

Any donations or help with the Easter Breakfast would be appreciated!

Items Needed: Eggs, Shredded Hash browns, Fresh Fruit (Pineapples, Blueberries, Cantaloupe, Grapes, Blackberries, Strawberries, Watermelon), Pancake Mix, Chocolate Milk, White Milk, Orange Juice, Muffins, Cinnamon Rolls, Cream Puffs, Eclairs, Bulk Sausage, Ham, Maple Syrup

Please call the church office to let us know how you want to help out!



# Lent

## *This year's Lenten Theme: "Thy Will Be Done"*



"Not as I will, but as you will," Jesus prayed to His Father the night before He went to the cross for our salvation. That is our prayer as well this Lent, as we seek to do God's will in our lives. Take time to draw near to the observance of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection during Holy Week. Each service will focus on a different aspect of God's will at work among us.

A prayer booklet with a daily verse and prayer is available for use during the forty days of Lent. We hope everyone will use these daily prayers. The booklet can be used independent of the worship services, but we do hope that you will attend as many of the worship services as possible.

Biblical characters are used as insightful reference points each midweek to guide us in following our Lord more nearly day by day. The message each Wednesday will be in the form of a monolog shared by a Biblical character. There will be a time to reflect on the message and even discuss the lesson presented, for those who desire. We hope to make available online, the monolog and reflection questions for those who are unable to attend each Wednesday. The Sunday messages will be in a normal sermon format and address the common challenges of living according to God's will.

Date	Theme	Scripture
<b>Feb. 14<sup>th</sup></b> Ash Wednesday	Abraham and Isaac: God's Will and God's Promise	Hebrews 11:17
<b>Feb. 18<sup>th</sup></b> Sunday 1	The Lord's Prayer: God's Will and the Kingdom	Matthew 6:10
<b>Feb. 21<sup>st</sup></b> Wednesday 2	Moses: God's Will and My Inadequacy	Exod. 4:13
<b>Feb. 25<sup>th</sup></b> Sunday 2	The Gethsemane Prayer: God's Will, not My Will"	Matthew 26:39
<b>Feb. 28<sup>th</sup></b> Wednesday 3	Nathan and King David: God's Will and My Dreams	2 Samuel 7:21
<b>Mar. 4<sup>th</sup></b> Sunday 3	The Potter and the Clay: God's Will and My Expectations	Romans 9:21
<b>Mar. 7<sup>th</sup></b> Wednesday 4	Mary: God's Will and My Identity	Luke 1:38
<b>Mar. 11<sup>th</sup></b> Sunday 4	A Thorn in the Flesh: God's Will and My Suffering	2 Corinthians 12:9
<b>Mar. 14<sup>th</sup></b> Wednesday 5	Paul: God's Will and My Worldview	Acts 9:9
<b>Mar. 18<sup>th</sup></b> Sunday 5	God's Will for Salvation	1 Timothy 2:4
<b>Mar. 21<sup>st</sup></b> Wednesday 6	Lydia: God's Will and My Response	Acts 16:14
<b>Mar. 25<sup>th</sup></b> Palm Sunday	God's Will When We are Not Willing	Luke 13:34
<b>Mar. 29<sup>th</sup></b> - 7PM Maundy Thursday	The Last Supper Servant: God's Will and Joyful Service	John 15:11
<b>Mar. 20<sup>th</sup></b> - 7PM *Good Friday Tenebrae	God's Will is Done	Isaiah 53:10
<b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b>	God's Will and the	1 Cor. 15:20

\*The 1:30 p.m. Good Friday service and the 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise service will still take place even though they are not included in the "Thy Will Be Done" series.

If you are interested in portraying one of the Biblical characters or have interest in being a videographer, please contact the office or Pastor Bruner for more details.

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

February	3/4	10/11	17/18	24/25
<b>Acolytes</b>				
7:30PM	Carly Trinklein	Alden Rodammer	Nic Yorke	Kailee Fackler
8:30AM	Dani Ayotte	Ryan Keinath	Emma Hoard	Paige Ayotte
11AM	Andrew Hoard	Peyton Schmandt	Brandon Rude	Isabel Ketels
<b>Screen Tech</b> <i>Please call the church office if you can help on any of the open dates.</i>				
7:30PM	Emily Bailey			
8:30AM	Dani Ayotte	Singers	Paige Ayotte	Nathan Phipps
11AM	Hunter Ayotte		Julie Keinath	Brandon Rude
<b>Greeters</b>				
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 Han- lin, Keith & Heidi	
Subs	Sherry Sebert			

## Ushers

### **8:30AM Service**

Captain – Phil Gordon  
 Assistant – Ron Johnson  
 Dave Ackerman  
 Wanda Johnson  
 James Kribs  
 James Petzold  
 Larry Petzold  
 Peter Shollack  
 Andrew Weber

### **11AM Service**

Captain – Dick Gross  
 Assistant – Arnold Petzold  
 Kenton Gleason  
 Tom Keinath  
 Phil Petzold

### **7:30PM Service**

Captain – Brian Gladly  
 Mason Lugg  
 Dale Peche

## Church Sextons

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

## Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Shelli Lugg  
 8:30AM - Pam Ill  
 11AM - Lisa Rodammer/Heather Petzold

*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

Angela Germain	2/1	Cory Hunt	2/12	Cris French	2/23
LuRene ILL	2/1	Sebastian Jesberg	2/12	Darlene Higgins	2/23
James Jaruzel	2/1	Celeste Ketels	2/12	Robert Williams	2/23
Karen Jaruzel	2/1	Jason Lichnovsky	2/12	Jason Badgley	2/24
Glenn Brown	2/2	Andrew Cobb	2/13	Briar Bearss	2/24
Patrick Grzebinski	2/2	Lindsay Corradi	2/13	Bryce Bearss	2/24
Edward Sergent	2/2	Michelle Erdman	2/13	Kaylee Erickson	2/24
Alexxis Stiers	2/2	Judy Harpst	2/13	Teresa Erickson	2/24
Cheri Sutherland	2/2	Wilbert ILL	2/13	Karen Henderson	2/24
Andrew Webster	2/2	Carolyn Laplow	2/13	Cheryl Heuchert	2/24
Austin Wendland	2/2	Kyle Piar	2/13	Macinzie Keinath	2/24
Martin Damm Jr.	2/3	Danielle Baker	2/14	Marjorie Keinath	2/24
AshLynn Jones	2/3	Shila Keinath	2/14	Weston Reinig	2/24
Nora Romain	2/3	Carl Kralik	2/14	Loretta Weber	2/24
Jan Schmidt	2/3	Richard Laplow	2/14	Diane Ackerman	2/25
Cole Sergent	2/3	Erik Lawrence	2/14	Cody Conrad	2/25
Bradley Dormire	2/4	Joann Schiefer	2/14	Donald Denome	2/25
Hunter Jones	2/4	Bonnie Wiacek	2/14	Cathy Myers	2/26
Alec Robinson	2/4	Sheryl French	2/15	Brady Petzold	2/26
Joshua Burns	2/5	Alex Goodhue	2/15	Mary Jane Shreve	2/26
Ronald Colman	2/5	Pamela Maas	2/15	Joshua Mason	2/27
Renee Higgins	2/5	George Snover	2/15	Hillary Romain	2/27
Kaycee Kowitz	2/5	Kyle Stange	2/15	Kiersten Rondo	2/27
Jennifer Rondo	2/5	Kyle Fisher	2/16	Melissa Adams	2/28
Hayley Usrey	2/5	Elinor Kroll	2/16	Dawn Ayotte	2/28
Haley Kennard	2/6	Brad Leach	2/16	Austin Burns	2/28
Troy Lich	2/6	Chad Reinert	2/16	John Hiles	2/28
Brianna McPherson	2/6	MaKaylee Schultz	2/16	Alan June	2/28
Jonathan Schuler	2/6	Tina Timmons	2/16	Donald Lichnovsky	2/28
Mathew Slough	2/6	Lucas Ames	2/17	Tyler Reinert	2/28
Christine Stevens	2/6	Scott Bassett	2/17	Craig Stiff	2/28
Kiahna Sutton	2/6	Kyle Brow	2/17	Carrie Woelzlein	2/28
Meagan Tolbert	2/6	Shane Burrows	2/17	John Borchering	2/29
Kimberly Torrey	2/6	Jason Duranseau	2/17	Sharon Kauer	2/29
John Brown	2/7	Derrick List	2/17		
Landon Germain	2/7	Gregory Mulka	2/17		
Jeffrey Hecht	2/7	Kevin Sutton	2/17		
Ryan ILL	2/7	Laurel Woodward	2/17		
Jeremy Keinath	2/7	Tyler Goodhue	2/18		
Linda Kester	2/7	Ryan Herrick	2/18		
Violet Sabgash	2/7	Rhonda Kern	2/18		
Erica Selich	2/7	Jason Ketels	2/18		
Steve Washburn	2/7	Madison Maize	2/18		
Patrick Galloway	2/8	Patrick Michael	2/18		
Sarah Hergenreder	2/8	Arthur Mullin	2/18		
Leo O'Hearn	2/8	Kathryn Pederson	2/18		
JoAnne Petzold	2/8	Adam Wolverton	2/18		
Jenna Smith	2/8	Rebecca Bodeis	2/19		
Tiffinie Webb	2/8	Lynette Denome	2/19		
Roger Bearss II	2/9	Michaela Draper	2/19		
Nicole Bringer	2/9	Sarah Gorsuch	2/19		
Andrea Wirsing	2/9	Dennis Weiss	2/19		
Braxton Withers	2/9	Betty Bouchard-Schmidt	2/20		
Karleigh Cole	2/10	Rachel Brown	2/20		
Thomas Devereaux	2/10	Sandra Haley	2/20		
Nicholas Mays	2/10	Holly Malace	2/20		
Graham Sutton	2/10	Adorna Mallard	2/20		
Edwin White	2/10	Joshua Matthews	2/20		
Sharon Wyman	2/10	Jacob Matzke	2/20		
Justin France	2/11	Kenneth Sohn	2/20		
Kevin Mason	2/11	Hannah Hall	2/21		
Chase Milostan	2/11	Shawn Lich	2/21		
Roger Shoens	2/11	Micah Petzold	2/21		
Brian Titsworth	2/11	Garrett Reinert	2/21		
Jennifer Wood	2/11	Riley Coleman	2/22		
Billy Woolwine III	2/11	Jessica Pashby	2/22		
Emma Cobanovich	2/12	Rachel Taylor	2/22		



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# St. Paul Lutheran School

## February 2018

*St. Paul Lutheran School is committed to engaging students with a comprehensive education grounded in God's Word to prepare them for a life in Christ.*



The month of February is the time of year that we take some extra time to show those we care about how much we really love them! Let's take some extra time to show our Lord and Savior how much we **LOVE** Him!

February is Hearts for Jesus month. Look for more information to be coming home very shortly.

Here is a list of the up-coming school activities for February.

Feb. 2	Spirit Day	
Feb. 9	Reading Buddy & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade athlete/ Parent Night	
Feb. 12-Mar. 2	Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart	
Feb. 14	Ash Wednesday service	4 p.m.
Feb. 16	6-8 <sup>th</sup> grade Bowling Day Trip, VIP Dance	6-8 p.m.
Feb. 21	Lenten Service	4 p.m.
Feb. 23	P.T.L. Family Literacy Night	6 p.m.
Feb. 28	Lenten Service	4 p.m.



### School Musical Opportunities



Feb. 11	Free Spirit Choir	11:00 a.m.
Feb. 18	Preschool Choir	11:00 a.m.
Feb. 21	Cantate Choir	4:00 p.m.
Feb. 25	Cherub Choir (K-2)	8:30 a.m.
Feb. 28	Free Spirit Choir	4:00 p.m.

**Spartan Sports** Our A-teams basketball season for boys and girls finishes this month. The girls start the play followed by the boys. Come and support the children as they use their God-given talents.



### February Girl's & Boy's A-team Basketball



Feb. 2	with St. Michael's Richville	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 3 & 4	Boys Tournament at VLHS, Saginaw	TBA
Feb. 8	at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth	4:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	with Christ the King, Sebawaing	6:00 p.m.
<b>Reading Buddy &amp; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade athlete/ Parent Night</b>		
Feb. 16/17	Girl's League Tournaments	TBA
Feb. 15/17	Boy's League Tournaments	TBA

### Boy's C-team Basketball

Feb. 3	at Faith, Bay City	9 a.m.
Feb. 10	with St. Michael, Richville	11 a.m.
Feb. 17	with Trinity-Trost	11 a.m.
Feb. 24	at Bethlehem, Saginaw	11 a.m.

Check the school office or St. Paul website for additions or changes to the schedule.



*Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. I Corinthians 10:31*

# February 2018

St. Paul Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> 6:15PM Praise Team	<b>2</b> 9-11AM Storyhour	<b>3</b> 4-7:30PM Men's Euchre <b>7:30PM Worship</b>
<b>4</b> <b>8:30AM Worship +C</b> Church Choir 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School <b>11AM Worship</b> Church Choir 12:15 Confirmation 3-6PM Impact/Ignite Superbowl Party/Nerf Wars	<b>5</b> 9AM Women's Bible Study  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>6</b> 7AM Jubilee (Jr. Bells) 12-3PM Quilting 6PM Youth Team 6-8PM Painting 6:15PM Social Concerns 7PM Stewardship 7:30PM AA	<b>7</b>  6:30PM Council  6:45PM Church Choir	<b>8</b>  6:15PM Praise Team	<b>9</b> 9-11AM Storyhour  1:30PM Pack Lunches	<b>10</b> 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking 10AM Saginaw Mission  <b>7:30PM Worship +C</b>
<b>11</b> <b>8:30AM Worship</b> 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School <b>11AM Worship +C</b> Free Spirit 12:15 Confirmation 1:30PM Voters 2-4PM Ignite Sledding-TBA	<b>12</b> 9AM Women's Bible Study  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>13</b> 7AM Jubilee (Jr. Bells) 12-3PM Quilting 6PM Board of Ed 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>14</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b>4PM Worship</b> Church Choir  6:45PM Church Choir	<b>15</b>  6:15PM Praise Team 7PM Evangelism	<b>16</b> 7AM Breakfast Club at MHS – St. Paul Hosts 9-11AM Storyhour <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	<b>17</b>  <b>7:30PM Worship</b>
<b>18</b> <b>8:30AM Worship +C</b> Handbells 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School <b>11AM Worship Contemporary</b> Pre-School Choir 12:15 Confirmation Impact – Time TBA	<b>19</b> 9AM Women's Bible Study  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>20</b> 7AM Jubilee (Jr. Bells) 12-3PM Quilting  6PM Dorcas 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>21</b> <b>4PM Worship</b> <i>Cantate Choir</i>  5-6PM Dinner Hosted by the Fellowship Board  6:45PM Church Choir	<b>22</b>  6:15PM Praise Team	<b>23</b> 9-11AM Storyhour  6-8PM Family Literacy Night	<b>24</b>  <b>7:30PM Worship +C</b>
<b>25</b> <b>8:30AM Worship</b> <i>Cherub Choir</i> 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School <b>11AM Worship +C Contemporary</b> 12:15 Confirmation	<b>26</b> 9AM Women's Bible Study  7PM – Handbells -Stephen Ministry	<b>27</b> 7AM Jubilee (Jr. Bells) 12-3PM Quilting  6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	<b>28</b> <b>4PM Worship</b> <i>Free Spirit</i>  6:45PM Church Choir 7:30PM Elders			



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# Monthly Messenger

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A new command I give you:

*Love One Another.*

As I have loved you,  
so you must love one another.



John 13:34