



Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

August 2018

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

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Rev. Bob Smith

Worship Services

Sunday 10 A.M.
Saturday 7:30 P.M.

Bible Study

Sunday 9 A.M.

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A Message from Pastor Bruner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

God is always sending blessings in so many ways. Here are just a few examples of this.

Several members have commented on how they are enjoying the combined worship time on Sunday morning. They like seeing the church "full" during the summer, and this schedule is allowing them to see other members that normally attend a different worship time. This has been a good experiment that is **encouraging fellowship**. The Saturday night service has also seen some new faces as some regular Sunday attendees are adjusting to this summer change. Apparently, combining the Sunday services has also had a positive effect on fellowship for the Saturday service as well. I am not suggesting this for year round, but it may be a good idea to consider again for next summer.

What else? Pastor Bob Smith has been a wonderful help. God has blessed us with the opportunity to meet and develop a closer relationship with this pastor and brother in Christ. Although he has been a temporary, part-time assistant, he has made a **full impact** on our hearts. He even helped initiate our newly formed Prayer Committee. Thank God for him in your prayers and personally tell him how he has helped you grow in your faith. You can do this on August 11-12th.

The Rev. Tim Martinal (pronounced Martin-all) has accepted our call to be Associate Pastor. This is another reason we can be grateful to God. Pastor Martinal hopes to be here by the end of August. We will share when the installation service will be as soon as we are able to schedule it. **Thank the Lord of the harvest for guiding Pastor Martinal to join us** in the work of the king-

dom here in the Millington area. We will miss having Pastor Smith around, but he will remain a brother in Christ for eternity. Get ready for the new relationship we can build with Pastor Tim Martinal and his wife Patricia.

Along with the normal excitement of starting school again, we will also be celebrating our newest achievement. Mr. Travis Grulke, the Superintendent of Lutheran Schools for the Michigan District, will present our school with the **National Lutheran Schools Accreditation (N.L.S.A.)** on September 9th. This is an honor and well deserved recognition to our faculty, staff and entire congregation. A lot of work went into this achievement, and we are determined to continue to improve the work we do in the name of Jesus Christ.

Before I finish, I received two more suggested blessings to consider: my secretary (Stacey) and "secretary in training" (Lydia). This humorous input rings with truth. Stacey and Lydia represent how there are **friends and family that are blessings in our lives**. More precisely, we are brothers and sisters in Christ. This connection is important and the more opportunities for fellowship we have, the stronger the bonds will become. Fellowship is important, as we continue forward through August and the months ahead. **Keep building the connection** you have with all of God's family.

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

Pastor Jim 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

The August Messenger is sponsored in honor of
Ken & Kathy III on their birthdays.

Spiritual News

9AM Sunday Adult Bible Studies

Join us for **Coffee Hour in the Gathering Place** before Bible Study begins.

Bible Study in the Library "SETTING YOUR VISION FOR PRAYER"



We need to stir the embers of faith deep in our souls and ignite a fire of vision for what our Lord can do if we simply make ourselves available to be answers to other's and our own prayers. God weeps and grieves over obsession with busyness, muchness, and manyness. The Lord is searching for people who will yield to Him and will go to Him for help before taking a step into the traffic of the world. Too many of us need to slow the pace of our lives and adjust our priorities and put communication with God our top priority. We want to challenge each other to take time to be a part of the new wave of prayer happening in this world. Pastor Smith hopes to enrich, encourage and enhance your prayer life so it will be effective, enjoyable, and enduring. Join us in the library for setting your vision for prayer.

Summer Service Schedule

August Worship Times

Saturday Evening at 7:30PM

Communion: Aug. 11th & 25th

Sunday at 10AM

Communion: Aug. 5th & 19th

September 2nd will also be one service at 10AM with communion.



Music

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM



Lutheran Ministries "Worship for Shut-Ins"

August 5 - "The Bread of Life" John 16:2-15

August 12—"Try It! You'll Like It!" Psalm 34:8

August 19—"Those Difficult Places" John 6:31, 60-69

August 26—"Lip Service or Heart Service?" Isaiah 29:11-19

Scripture Readings

August 5th

Exodus 16:2-15

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:22-35

August 12th

1 Kings 19:1-8

Ephesians 4:14-5:2

John 6:35-51

August 19th

Proverbs 9:1-10

Joshua 24:1-2a; 14-18

Ephesians 5:6-21

John 6:51-69

August 26th

Isaiah 29:11-19

Ephesians 5:22-33

Mark 7:1-13

Prayer Committee

NEXT PRAYER MEETING...

Tuesday, August 7th at 7PM

St. Paul Lutheran Church is your house of prayer. Be assured... If you have prayer requests and/or needs and would like someone to pray with or for you, we are here for you! We are in the process of adding to our church pray-ers, a "Prayer Committee" that will meet at various times of the day, week and throughout the months at St. Paul Lutheran. "Pray-ers" are always needed. If you would like to meet with us please call the Committee Chairman, Gale Brown at 810-686-1490.

There are a lot of ways and a lot of places you can pray. You can pray publicly. You can pray privately. You can pray verbally. You can pray silently. You can pray kneeling down, standing up, sitting, or lying down. You can even pray while you are driving, but just make sure you keep your eyes open. The main thing is to pray. The Bible tells us to "pray without ceasing" (**1 Thess. 5:17**).

Previous experience not needed. We will teach you to pray more confidently with faith! We have a "Prayer Manual" that outlines what our vision for St. Paul Lutheran is and how we can be more effective in our prayer life. Please let us know if you would like a copy and we will get it to you!

Brief outline of our prayer manual:

- **CORPORATE PRAYER**
- **PERSONAL INTERCESSORY TEAMS (PIT Crews)**
- **PRAYER TECHNOLOGY**
- **PRAYER TRAINING**
- **PRAYER RESOURCES AND SPACES**
- **PRAYER JOURNEYS**
- **GLOBAL PRAYER CONNECTIONS**

Happenings at St. Paul

Tuesdays at St. Paul

Painting - 6-8PM in the Projects Room

Karate - 6-8PM in the Parish Hall

AA - 7:30PM in the Council Room

LWML Zone Summer Rally Potluck

Wed., Aug. 1st at 6PM in the Parish Hall

Bible Study by Pastor Bruner - "Grace, Love, Hope."
Bring a dish to pass and your place setting. Drinks provided. In-gathering of non-perishable food for the Food Bank in Millington.

Loons Game

Thurs., August 2nd at 7:05PM

If you purchased tickets, they will be available at the call window. Look for the rest of the St. Paul group in the grassy area by 1st base.

Old Fashioned 5K Fun Run / Walk

Get your morning run in for just \$5

When: August 11, 2018

Details: Race Day Registration -

Bib # pick up begins at 8AM

Bib Presales are available at the church office

1 Mile youth (K-8th) trail run at 9AM

5K trail run / walk ~ 9:25AM

Where: Southern Links Trail Head – Millington

No frills, no age group awards, but an accurately measured course, a timed race with results and a prize to the top 2 finishers per gender in each race.

Come dressed in your Buccaneer costume for extra fun...
All proceeds benefit the St. Paul Lutheran 8th grade annual Washington DC Trip & the Southern Links Rail Trail.
For more info contact: Jamie Curtis 989-280-6806.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline

Fri., August 17th

Men's Cook Out

Sat., Aug. 25th at 6PM at Matt Ayotte's home.

Bring a dish to pass!

All men invited - invite your family members & friends.

Confirmation Meeting

Aug. 26th at 11:30AM in the spare classroom for ALL 7th & 8th grade students and parents.

August Meetings

Council

Wed., August 1st at 6:30PM

Social Concerns

Tues., August 7th at 6:15PM

Voters

Sun., August 12th at 1:30PM

Trustees

Sun., August 12th following Voters

Board of Education

Tues., August 14th at 6PM

Elders

Wed., August 22nd at 7:30PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., August 27th at 7PM

Church Office Summer Hours

Monday – Thursday 9AM-3PM; Friday 9AM-12PM

*The **Church Office will be closed** on Aug. 8th & 10th.*

Bookkeeper Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 10AM-2PM

Other times available by appointment.

Custodian Summer Hours

Monday – Friday 5AM-1PM

Anyone using the building for meetings or events, please remember to turn off all lights and lock up

Generosity Challenge

Keep the generosity movement going!

Try one or all of the following this month.

- Hold the door open for someone.

- Pick up litter and throw it away.

Bonus: Find an available stretch of highway and "Adopt a Highway."

- Write a note of gratitude.

- Do the chore no one else wants to do.

- Spend time with a grandparent.

- Bake cookies for someone.

- Forgive someone.

Little things matter - just show kindness!

Youth News

Youth News

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

Proverbs 27:17

FREE Car Wash!!!

Sun., Aug. 19th from 11AM-5PM

This is for **ALL youth** and is a great fundraiser to help support our events. Mark your calendar to come and help wash cars - and remind your friends and family to bring their cars for a FREE wash!



Kickball Results

**It was a close game,
but in the end, the Elders won!**

Elders – 8

Youth – 7

Lots of fun for the players and the spectators!
And – Some players may have been a bit sore,
but they all were able to walk off the field on
their own!!

Good job, teams!

Please continue to pray for and support all of our youth and the volunteers helping to keep the youth program running. If you have an event or idea you would like to see, please let us know.

Help is always needed and very much appreciated. It doesn't have to be a full time commitment - it can be as simple as going shopping, planning an event, driving to, attending one event, or just bringing your child to an event. The kids are great and we have a good time!

If you have any questions, or just want to check it out, call the church office.

*****Free Carwash!! *****

August 19th from 11-5PM

Help support our Youth groups!

How It Works:

Pledges are made (usually about 5-25 cents per car) before the car wash. Just fill out the pledge sheet below and bring to the church office or put in the offering plate. We will wash as many cars as possible, **FOR FREE**, on August 19th. This is both a wonderful outreach to our community (Who doesn't love something for free?) and a great way to support the work of our youth group.

How You Can Help:

1. Sign up to be a pledge donor. This will be a small amount (generally between 5-25 cents) that you are willing to give per car that we wash on the 19th. For example, if you pledge 10 cents a car, and we wash 100 cars, your donation would be \$10. ****Last year, we washed 123 cars!**** Please fill out the pledge sheet and return to the church office by August 15th. To help with your pledge amount, see the example below:

<u>Pledge</u>	<u>75 Cars</u>	<u>100 Cars</u>	<u>125 Cars</u>
<u>\$0.05</u>	\$3.75	\$5.00	\$6.25
<u>\$0.10</u>	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$12.50
<u>\$0.15</u>	\$11.25	\$15.00	\$18.75
<u>\$0.20</u>	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
<u>\$0.25</u>	\$18.75	\$25.00	\$31.25

2. Whether you are a pledge donor or not, **PLEASE bring all your cars** up to be washed on August 19th. Tell everyone you know to bring their vehicles up for a **FREE** wash. When we say free, **we mean it, and donations WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED** the day of. This is important, so that you and those in our community that participate do not feel guilty into giving at what we are advertising as FREE.

After the car wash, we will send you a letter with your gift amount (which is also your receipt for charitable giving) with a pre-addressed envelope. Simply drop it in the mail, along with a check for the pledged amount made to St. Paul.

Thank you in advance for your support of our Youth Groups. The funds raised will support mission trips, national and local youth gatherings, and other youth events!!

Car Wash Pledge Sheet

To pledge for the car wash, please fill out this form and put in the offering plate or return to the church office by August 15th.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount Pledged per Car: _____

Or Flat Rate Amount: _____

Bookkeeper's Corner

The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills

Fiscal Year (FY) 17-18 ended on June 30, 2018. Let's take a look at our ending numbers:

Beginning Deficit to date: (\$ 61,703.07)

FY 17-18 Surplus: \$44,290

Ending Deficit to date: (\$ 17,413.64)

We're slowly but surely crawling out of the hole. The reason we have the \$17,413 deficit is because the May and June 2018 offerings were very lean. In contrast, we had NO accounts receivable with the school – all parents paid 100% of their school year 17-18 obligations.

Here is a visual representation of the budget numbers vs actual by board:

	FY 17-18 Budget Numbers		FY 17-18 Actuals	
	INCOME	EXPENSE	INCOME	EXPENSE
Board of Education	193,152	2,585	311,042	0
Board of Elders	2,150	26,411	2,903	20,421
Board of Evangelism	0	0	0	0
Board of Fellowship			0	0
Board of Finance	716,289	3,320	700,334	4,545
Salary and Personnel	1,365	799,151	0	858,816
Board of Social Concern	1,000	0	0	0
Board of Stewardship	0	2,500	0	1,292
Board of Trustees	3,500	85,661	8,315	93,230
TOTAL	917,456	919,628	1,022,594	978,304
	Deficit:	-2,172	Surplus:	44,290

Things to note:

- Board of Ed income exceeded budget by 62%; this was anticipated when the childcare/latchkey was combined with Preschool to create an early childcare ministry.
- Board of Finance income numbers include envelope and plate offerings. We only reached 90% of anticipated givings. Fortunately, our plate givings, Memorials, and a few IRA distributions closed the gap a bit.
- Salary and Personnel shows we hired more employees to handle the influx in childcare and latchkey, as well as our interim associate pastor.
- While Trustees overspent their expenses, they made up for it in income.

The take-away from this information is we are going in the right direction. The numbers indicate the school is coming alive: as of this writing we have 81 families enrolled (111 kids) for the next school year. Last year at this time we had about 60 families. Sadly, the same numbers indicate a decline in congregational attendance and giving. The entire budget/actual document is several pages long and has been given to each board member. If you have any questions, please contact the board chairman or myself.

We are seeing the words from Jeremiah 29:11 right before us: *"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Daily Lectionary / Memorials / Financial Info.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 2018			<u>1</u> 1 Sam. 17:1-19 Acts 26:1-23	<u>2</u> 1 Sam. 17:20-47 Acts 26:24-27:8	<u>3</u> 1 Sam. 17:48--18:9 Acts 27:9-26	<u>4</u> 1 Sam. 18:10-30 Acts 27:27-44
<u>5</u> Trinity 10 1 Sam. 19:1-24 Acts 28:1-15	<u>6</u> 1 Sam. 20:1-23 Acts 28:16-31	<u>7</u> 1 Sam. 20:24-42 1 Cor. 1:1-25	<u>8</u> 1 Sam. 24:1-22 1 Cor. 1:26-2:16	<u>9</u> 1 Sam. 25:1-22 1 Cor. 3:1-23	<u>10</u> 1 Sam. 25:23-44 1 Cor. 4:1-21	<u>11</u> 1 Sam. 26:1-25 1 Cor. 5:1-13
<u>12</u> Trinity 11 1 Sam. 28:3-25 1 Cor. 6:1-20	<u>13</u> 1 Sam. 31:1-13 1 Cor. 7:1-24	<u>14</u> 2 Sam. 1:1-27 1 Cor. 7:25-40	<u>15</u> 2 Sam. 5:1-25 1 Cor. 8:1-13	<u>16</u> 2 Sam. 6:1-19 1 Cor. 9:1-23	<u>17</u> 2 Sam. 7:1-17 1 Cor. 9:24-10:22	<u>18</u> 2 Sam. 7:18-29 1 Cor. 10:23-11:16
<u>19</u> Trinity 12 2 Sam. 11:1-27 1 Cor. 11:17-34	<u>20</u> 2 Sam. 12:1-25 1 Cor. 12:1-13	<u>21</u> 1 Kings 21:1-4, 15-35 1 Cor. 12:14-31	<u>22</u> 1 Kings 2:1-27 1 Cor. 13:1-13	<u>23</u> 1 Kings 3:1-15 2 Cor. 1:1-22	<u>24</u> 1 Kings 5:1-18 2 Cor. 1:23-2:17	<u>25</u> 1 Kings 7:51-8:21 2 Cor. 3:1-18
<u>26</u> Trinity 13 1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63 2 Cor. 4:1-18	<u>27</u> 1 Kings 9:1-9, 10:1-13 2 Cor. 5:1-21	<u>28</u> 1 Kings 11:1-26 2 Cor. 6:1-18	<u>29</u> 1 Kings 11:42-12:19 2 Cor. 7:1-16	<u>30</u> 1 Kings 12:20-13:5, 13:33-34 2 Cor. 8:1-24	<u>31</u> 1 Kings 16:29-17:24 2 Cor. 9:1-15	

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

In Memory of Margie Scannel General Fund	\$10.00
In Memory of Ruth Keinath General Fund	\$20.00
In Memory of Raymond Reinert General Fund	\$25.00
In Memory of Marian McIntyre General Fund	\$75.00
In Honor of Victor Reinert's 80th Birthday General Fund	\$100.00
In Memory of Celia Sebert General Fund	\$30.00
In Memory of Donald Bierlein Memorials Undesignated	\$20.00
In Memory of Jeanette Petzold General Fund	\$20.00
Building Fund	\$10.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$20.00

CEF Building Fund Summary

Mortgage Balance as of 06/30/18: \$688,334.15
Debt free date if nothing changes: October 2022

June 2018 Mortgage Payment: \$14,135.00
* Principal \$12,804.39 * Interest \$ 1,330.61
Amount received to pay mortgage: \$11,143.50
Amount used in contingency fund: \$ (2,991.50)

June 2018 Income & Expense Summary

June General Fund Income: \$ 67,836.91
June General Fund Expenses: \$(77,654.09)
June Deficit \$ (9,817.18)

Cash Accounts Summary

Designated/Memorial Balance: \$234,694.33
General Fund Checking Balance: \$(17,413.64)

*Negative checking balance means we are borrowing from the Designated/Memorials funds to make payroll and pay operating expenses.

Opportunities / Misc.

Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

Saginaw City Rescue Mission

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

-Join us the second Saturday of every month to prepare and serve meals at the **City Rescue Mission** of Saginaw. **Our next date is Aug. 11th.** We arrive at the Mission at 10AM and 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., Aug. 10th at 1:30PM. There is also a sign-up sheet on the glass case in the narthex.

Usher Teams

HELP! The **Usher Teams** need your help for all services. Please call Glenn Brown at 810-686-1490 or the church office 871-4581 to help in any way.

Here We Ride 2018

A team from St. Paul will be riding in the 2018 Here We Ride event. This is a fundraiser for LCMS churches. Half the money raised will go to the Michigan District and half will come back to St. Paul. Funds will support VBS and other endeavors at St. Paul. If you would like to pledge, please sign up in the narthex or call Tina Petzold 989-233-5237.

Health Kit Collection

We are collecting for the **Health Kits** again. Items needed: 25 hand towels, 12 bars of soap, 25 deodorants, 9 toothpastes, 2 boxes gallon size bags. Thank you for your donations! Another 25 kits were delivered to the Caro Women's Shelter and they are very thankful!

Summer Festival Help

We have many opportunities and shifts available to help out our booths during the Millington Festival Aug. 9-11. Please sign up on the glass case in the narthex. Along with St. Paul having food booths, the Board of Evangelism is very excited to once again have the **Water for the Weary** booth. This is a simple way to serve your church and evangelize to the community and it only takes a couple hours!

The Dorcas LWML Bake Sale is Aug. 10th. Baked goods are needed! Please bring your goodies to the table between Millington Insurance and the Fairway

Special Thanks!

Because of your tremendous generosity 32 students received financial assistance through the Grandparent fund for the 2018-2019 school year. Thank you for your investment in these children and making it possible for them to attend our Christian school where daily they hear of the love of their Jesus. May God richly bless you.

Parsonage Preparation

Volunteers are needed to prepare the parsonage for Pastor & Patty Martinal's arrival later this summer. The Trustees have set a work day for everyone to help on **Saturday, August 4th**, starting at 8:00 AM. Come when you can for as long as you can. Some items that we need volunteers for:

- Trimming Hedges
- Weeding Flower Beds
- Yard Clean Up
- Edge Drive & Sidewalk
- Exterior Painting
- Clean Eaves troughs
- Lunches for Volunteers
- Spackle Walls
- Paint Walls
- General Repair
- Dusting
- General Cleanup
- Replace Bulbs
- Transport Storage Items

We are also looking for donations of the following items (or funds to purchase them):

- Over the range microwave
- 6 Smoke Alarms
- 2 CO Sensors
- Shower Curtain Rod
- Paint

If you are interested in donating one of these items, please contact the Church Office to see if it is still needed.

Campus Cleanup

Also on **Saturday, August 4th** we will have our first ever **Art & Ilene Weber Cleanup Day**. Art & Ilene spent countless hours keeping the flowerbeds weeded and the campus looking great. Please help us honor their years of dedication by joining us for a day of sprucing up the church and school grounds. We will start cleanup at 8:00 AM, along with the Parsonage Preparation. Come when you can. Many hands make light work. Some tools will be available, bring your own if you would like. See you there.

Welcome Basket

We would also like to put together a **nice welcome basket** for Pastor & Patty with snacks, drinks, menus for places in town, brochures of things to do nearby, gift cards etc. **If you have any ideas or would like to add to it**, please let the church office know that too!

To make a **monetary donation** to go toward the Parsonage Preparation, envelopes have been placed in the Record of Fellowship books and on the table in the narthex. Place your donation inside the envelope and put in the offering plate or bring to the church office. Thank you for helping us welcome Pastor and Patty and for making their transition easier.

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

August	4/5	11/12	18/19	25/26
Acolytes				
7:30PM	Alden Rodammer	Nic Yorke	Kailee Fackler	Carly Trinklein
10AM	Danielle Ayotte	Brandon Rude	Isabel Ketels	Lillian Sherman
Screen Tech	Please help! There are still openings to run the screen during the church services. Anyone can do this (adults or children 6th grade and up) and we will train you. Even if you can just help out once in awhile, that would be great! Please call the church office to help.			
7:30PM	Emily Bailey	Help	Is	Needed
10AM	Danielle Ayotte	Singers	Paige Ayotte	Brandon Rude
Greeters	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday
7:30PM	Wilbert & Sue Ill	Shelli Lugg	Mason Lugg	Ed Sergent
10 AM	Shirley Ann Petzold	Gale Brown Ken & Kathy Ill	Katrina Wager Rosie Horning	Dorothy Schreiber Eileen Ziegler
10 AM	Les & Diane Maxson Ron & Olga Nims	Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel	Dale & Pam Hanlin	Keith & Heidi Woolwine

Ushers

10AM Service

Captain – Phil Gordon
David Ackerman
James Kribs
James Petzold
Larry Petzold
Peter Shollack
Andrew Weber

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

7:30PM Service

Captain – Brian Gladly
Mason Lugg
Dale Peche

Church Sextons

Matt & Angie Ayotte
Armand & Faye Carmona
Ed & Marcia Keinath
Ted & Katrina Wager
Rod & Nancy Wilson

Altar Guild Communion Set-Up

7:30PM - Diane Mills
10AM Betty DeOrnellas & Melissa DeOrnellas

*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!*

New Funeral Policy and Form

MEMBER/NON-MEMBER FUNERAL POLICY

The purpose of this congregation is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as taught in the Bible and is witnessed in the Lutheran Confessions. We would never want to minimize the importance of being an active member of a Christian Congregation, however we do not want to forsake our members when they must face the death of a loved one. It is truth; the funeral is not for the dead, but for the living. We Christians must comfort one another with the faith of Jesus when we suffer sorrow over the death of a loved one. Because of this the pastor and the elders have established the following policy regarding non-member funerals.

1. We will conduct the funeral services of any Christian who has asked to be served by our pastors, who desire the comfort of our Christian ministry, and who have no church home.
2. We will conduct the funeral services of any Christian who is a close relative of our member (parent, child, sibling and spouse) who has no church home and on the basis of paragraphs #3 and following.
3. Non-member funerals will be conducted at the funeral home or church at the request of the family. Members of LCMS Churches may have their funeral at St Paul Lutheran.
4. We would be unable to conduct the funeral of an active lodge member because of the contrary witness of the lodge ritual to that doctrine which we confess.
5. Ex-lodge members who have become inactive may be buried by our church, but there can be no participation either before or after the funeral by the lodge chaplain and their ritual, or any other reference to lodge membership.
6. For the family member who was unknown by the pastor as to the profession of Christian faith, a member of his/her family must be able to attest to the deceased's personal belief that Jesus Christ is God's Son and the Savior of all repentant sinners. This is necessary in order for the pastor to conduct the service on the only basis he has: comfort can be offered only through the power of Jesus' promise to redeem mankind through His blood and give them who believe eternal life.
7. Anyone wishing to present a special situation that is contrary to this policy must submit that request to the Board of Elders for consideration.

Adopted by the Board of Elders January 25, 2017

FUNERALS – DORCAS

Dorcas Lutheran Women in mission will serve meals for funerals of church members only. The menu consists of ham, escalloped potatoes, bakery bread and butter, a hot vegetable, pickles and condiments, tossed salad with homemade dressing, desserts, lemonade and coffee. This is provided for a suggested donation of \$3.00 per person or the best free will donation the family can provide. If a family wants additional items, the family can arrange to have these prepared and delivered to the kitchen and the Dorcas can serve these items as well. When a meal is desired for someone who was not a member, the family can make arrangements to have a luncheon in the Parish Hall with a caterer. Again, please contact the church office to make necessary arrangements and handle the non-member fees for use of the facility and ministry team.

FUNERAL POLICY ARRANGEMENT

St Paul Lutheran Church reserves the right to limit the use of its facilities to events consistent with the standards and beliefs of our congregation and at the discretion of the Board of Trustees and under the direction of the Board of Elders.

For the Funeral of: _____

Date of Funeral _____ Time of Funeral _____

Requesting Party(s) _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Member* & Non Member Fees Include:

Pastoral Gratuity: (suggested amount) \$100.00 Please make check payable to: _____

Organist Fee: \$60.00 Please make check payable to: _____

Sexton Fee: \$50.00 Please make check payable to: _____

Non Member Fees also Include: (Please make check payable to St. Paul.)

Use of Sanctuary \$200.00

Use of Chapel \$100.00

Parish Hall \$125.00

Use of Kitchen \$ 30.00

Fees to be paid in full by the date of funeral.

NOTE: *Includes immediate family of the member: Grandparents, Parents, Spouse, Children, and Siblings.

Will a meal be served at this event? Yes / No (Please Circle)

Expected Number of Guests _____

Free will donations to cover costs would be appreciated.

(Suggested amount: \$3.00 per person; please make check payable to Dorcas.)

LCMS District Convention News

A report of the **102nd LCMS District Convention** is on the St. Paul webpage. You can access by going to the St. Paul webpage then double click on "News." Or use this site: <http://www.stpaul-millington.org/news/2018-district-convention-report>. Below is a portion of the report listing the ministries Michigan District supports.

Michigan District Ministries

Our Michigan District has many ministries, some of which you likely have not even seen.

- Luke 52 Project - The Luke Project 52 Clinic is a 5 2 Network sponsored ministry and was founded to promote the health and well-being of the local population by providing accessible, high quality medical care for expectant mothers and infant under 12 months of age and to also provide a mobile asset to local congregations to help them reconnect with and begin to serve the communities they are in. The Luke Project 52 Clinic is committed to providing services that will exceed the expectations of our patients and their communities, resulting in effective Great Compassion and Great Commission ministry.
- Wellspring Lutheran Services – Wellspring provides Senior Care in the areas of Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Support, Long Term Care, Affordable Housing, Rehabilitation and Wellness, Respite Care, Personal At-Home Assistance, Home Health, Hospice, and Grief Support. They provide Family Services in the areas of Foster Care, Family Services, Adoption Resources, Parenting Support, Camp Hope, Residential Care, and Supportive Housing.
- Elli's House - Their mission is to provide temporary shelter for runaway girls and/or young women caught in human trafficking, in the city of Detroit, with family reunification as our primary goal, if possible. They eventually reach out to these young girls with the Gospel message of Jesus' love and forgiveness for them.
- MOST Ministries (Mission Opportunities Short Term) - MOST Ministries is committed to impacting the world for Jesus Christ through short term missions by empowering the found in reaching the lost.
- Lutheran Heritage Foundation - Through the mission gifts of people like you, LHF translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven.
- LAMP Ministries (Lutheran Association of Missionary Pilots) - *LAMP is a cross-cultural ministry sharing Jesus Christ with God's people in remote areas of Canada where many are living in places only accessible by plane.*
- *Ephphatha Mission Society* - Serve the Deaf and Hard of Hearing with the Gospel through Word and Sacrament ministry in ASL.
- Michigan Campus Ministries – We support campus ministries on the campuses of Concordia Ann Arbor, Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, Michigan State University, Oakland University, and the University of Michigan.
- Orphan Grain Train - Orphan Grain Train is a 501c3 Nonprofit Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and around the world. Grain Train volunteers gather donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ's example as a servant and His love for us. Rev. David Reed, formerly at Auburn, MI is heading up the Michigan Orphan Grain Train at a donated empty store in downtown Sebewaing, MI.
- Franklin Avenue Mission - In the summer of 2014, Flint LCMS Tri-Circuit pastors took a prayerful look at transforming one of its member churches on Flint's east side into an urban mission center to meet the needs of a neighborhood in disrepair. The Michigan District LCMS agreed to support an attainable plan to preserve a meaningful presence in the community. A Flint Eastside Mission task force of LCMS pastors set goals and strategies to recruit congregational support. The plan required a 5-year financial and servanthood commitment from interested individuals and congregations. By April of 2015, members from nine congregations committed to perform Operation Clean Up in cooperation with the Genesee County Land Bank. This "clean and green" effort resulted in mowing and clearing debris from more than 175 vacant lots on numerous weekends throughout the summer by more than 500 faithful servants. Today, Franklin Avenue Mission is a hub of activity—operated entirely by an army of missionaries.
- LWML - The official women's auxiliary of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. For 75 years, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.
- Lutheran Layman's League - A dedicated group of supporters and volunteers who are active in ministry domestically and around the world. The ministry of the organization is currently expressed through a wide range of Christ-centered outreach efforts under the name of Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM).
- Camp Arcadia and Camp Concordia.
- Latino Mission Society
- Lutheran City Ministries, Inc.
- Lutheran High School Association
- Lutheran Special Education Ministry
- Lutherans for Life
- Project Compassion Ministries
- People of the Book Ministries (Poblo)


Birthday Celebrations

Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live!

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

August 2018

St. Paul Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1 6PM Dorcas 6:30PM Council	2 6:15PM Praise Team	3	4 8AM Parsonage / Grounds Work Day  7:30PM Worship
5 9AM Bible Study  10AM Worship+C	6	7 6PM -Karate -Painting 6:15PM Social Concerns 7PM Prayer Committee 7:30PM AA	8 <i>Church Office Closed</i>	9 <i>Summer Festival</i> 6:15PM Praise Team	10 <i>Summer Festival</i> Dorcas Bake Sale 1:30PM Pack Lunches <i>Church Office Closed</i>	11 <i>Summer Festival</i> 10AM Rescue Mission  7:30PM Worship+C
12 9AM Bible Study  10AM Worship 1:30PM Voters Trustees Following	13	14 6PM Board of Ed. -Karate -Painting 7:30PM AA	15	16 6:15PM Praise Team	17	18  7:30PM Worship
19 9AM Bible Study  10AM Worship+C <i>Contemporary</i> **11AM-5PM FREE Car Wash**	20	21 6PM -Karate -Painting 7:30PM AA	22 7:30PM Elders	23 6:15PM Praise Team	24	25 6PM Men's Cook Out at Matt Ayotte's Home  7:30PM Worship+C
26 9AM Bible Study  10AM Worship <i>Contemporary</i> 11AM School Open House 11:30AM 7 th & 8 th Grade Confirmation Meeting	27 7PM Stephen Ministers	28 1st Day of School 6PM -Karate -Painting 7:30PM AA	29	30 6:15PM Praise Team	31	



St. Paul Lutheran School August 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.

We are starting the school year a bit earlier this year, **August 28**. There will be an *Open House* on August 26 after the 10:00 a.m. church service. EVERYONE in the congregation is invited to come and explore our classrooms and see what the school is all about. The children may bring their supplies and drop them off.

We are looking forward to a great year filled with learning, growing and strengthening friendships...especially with our best friend, JESUS as well as finding ways to spread God's truths in this world where He has placed us. Our school theme verse for the year reminds us that God is always with us and we need to lean on Him in all situations. *"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1"*

As we step forward into the new school year, God has blessed us with a new associate pastor, Reverend Timothy Martinal. Pastor Martinal is a graduate of Michigan State University and he received his MDiv from the seminary in St. Louis, MO. He married Patricia Leader in 2000 and they have been blessed with three adopted children, Dylan (24), Taylor (21) and Jacob (18). In his spare time, Pastor Martinal loves sports, especially football, baseball/softball and basketball. He likes movies, music, traveling and family time. Welcome to the St. Paul family.

We also have the privilege to welcome some new students and their families to the St. Paul Lutheran School family.

<u>Kindergarten</u>	Alexis France, Logan Loomis, Deliah Sabgash and Lilia Sischo
<u>First Grade</u>	Kolten O'Neil and Aubrey Rosencrants
<u>Third Grade</u>	Masen O'Neil
<u>Fourth Grade</u>	Griffin Dockham and Blake Erlenbeck
<u>Fifth Grade</u>	Landyn Duncan

There are a few events planned for the month; here are the dates to mark:



August 15, 16 & 22	Home Visits
August 26	Open House at 11 a.m.
August 28	First Day of School and Chapel Service
August 31-Sept. 3	No School
Sept. 4	Classes resume

Sports Practices for soccer and volleyball will start later in the month of August. There will be an ALL-Parent meeting, for all sports at St. Paul Lutheran School, on August 23 at 5 p.m. in the Project's Room. Remember to have your sports physicals and athletics fee turned in before the first practice. The first games for both sports will be here at St. Paul on Sept. 4 at 4:30 p.m.

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



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Monthly Messenger

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We could learn a lot from crayons.

Some are **sharp**,

some are *pretty*,

and some are dull.

Some have **weird** names

and all are different **colors**,

But they have all learned to live in the same box.