



# Monthly Messenger

## St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

### April 2022

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

### A Message from Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are ¼ of the way through our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. It is amazing how fast time can pass. As we reflect on 125 years, it gives us the opportunity to celebrate the people that God has brought together as the church. **Every member is a significant part of the history of St. Paul Lutheran.** With that being said, I encourage you to **invite our fellow members to celebrate with us.** Our anniversary is a wonderful reason to come together to acknowledge what God has done for and through various people. Our history would not be as rich if we did not have all of us together. We want to share the memories with one another.

Celebrating the **past** is good, but we also recognize that the **present and future** are also important. God still has much planned for us to accomplish as we seek to share the Word of Christ with all people. The message of what Jesus did to redeem each of us is the central point of our existence. His love for us was expressed through His incarnation at Christmas, so that He could suffer and die for us on Good Friday. Jesus identifies with our pain and suffering as well as the struggle against temptation. His death and then triumphant resurrection on Easter give us the hope of being freed from the condemnation of the past. God wants to use all of us to make a positive impact in the world by sharing this message through words and actions, now and in the years to come.

We have hosted several events to recognize our anniversary. I look forward to the rest of the year and the other activities we have planned. I am sure it will all go by so fast. I spoke to a member who regrets having missed out on some of these events. **Make it your goal** to help us engage even more brothers and sisters in Christ in the celebration and the mission God has in store for us as a Christian Lighthouse in this time and place.

Several verses that express what we are celebrating and sharing at St. Paul Lutheran:

*"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." Rom. 8:1*

*"This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.... No one has seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.... We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:10, 12, 19*

*"In the same way, let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matt. 5:16*

*"Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation." Mark 16:15*

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

Pastor Jim Bruner  
1 John 4:10-11



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Rev. James Bruner  
Administrative Pastor

Rev. Tim Martinal  
Associate Pastor

**Worship Services**  
Saturday 7 P.M.  
Sunday 8:30 & 11AM  
(11AM Also live-streamed)

**Faith on Fire**  
Bible Study & Sunday School  
Sunday 9:45 A.M.

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## Worship News / Bible Studies

### Worship Service Times

Saturday at 7PM

Sunday at 8:30 & 11AM

Bible Study & Sunday School at 9:45AM

\*Contemporary 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 11AM

\*Matins 5th Weekend

\*Communion 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 8:30AM

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 11AM &

Sat. eve of that weekend

To be added to our email list for the latest announcements, please go to [www.stpaul-millington.org/subscribe.html](http://www.stpaul-millington.org/subscribe.html).

### Church Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday from 10AM-3PM

### Contact Information

If you need to speak to one of the pastors or someone in the church office outside of office hours call 871-4581 #3 and leave a message or email [church.office@spsmill.org](mailto:church.office@spsmill.org). We will reply as soon as we can. In case of emergency, call Pastor Bruner 989-233-1994 or Pastor Martinal 402-672-9817.

### Scripture Readings

#### April 3<sup>rd</sup>

*Isaiah 43:16-21*

*Phil. 3:8-14*

*Luke 20:9-20*

#### April 10<sup>th</sup>

*Deut. 32:36-39*

*Phil. 2:5-11*

*Luke 22:1-62*

#### April 17<sup>th</sup>

*Isaiah 65:17-25*

*1 Cor. 15:19-26*

*Luke 24:1-12*

#### April 24<sup>th</sup>

*Acts 5:12-20*

*Rev. 1:4-18*

*John 20:19-31*

### Sunday Bible Studies

"Faith on Fire" Sunday between services.



**Preschool—Grade 2 Faith Spark** - Childcare Room

**Grades 3-5 Faith Flare** - Projects Room

**Grades 6-8 Faith Ignite** - Computer Room

**Grades 9-12 Faith Flame** - Youth Room

**Adults Faith Blaze** - Parish Hall

Adult supervised toddler care is in the nursery room for children too young to attend the early childhood program. Materials include opportunities for parents to extend the lesson into the week with their children.



**Coffee Hour** between services in the Parish Hall. Grab a cup of coffee and a snack before heading to "Faith on Fire." Volunteers needed to keep Coffee Hour going. Sign up in the Parish Hall.

### Bible Studies

#### Men's Bible Study

Sat., April 2nd at 8AM in the Library.



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

Sundays at 11:30AM on

TCT Net. (DirecTV 377)

Sundays at 11:30AM on WAQP 49

### The Lutheran Hour Radio

1400 AM Sunday at 8:30AM

### Bible Study Materials

If anyone is interested in Bible Study books or materials, we have many options to choose from. They can be found in the school library on the shelf to the left when walking in. Call the office if questions.

### Children's Bulletin Drawing

If your **child completes and turns in their children's bulletin** in the marked box in the lobby, they are entered into a drawing for a gift to strengthen and encourage their faith. Once a month, one (1) bulletin will be drawn at random for the gift. Please include a name and contact information. Every week is another opportunity to enter. This is a great way to encourage your child to participate in worship.

### Easter Flowers

To order an Easter Lily or Spring Plant, sign up on the glass case in the narthex. Plants are \$18 and checks should be made payable to Pam Hanlin. Add your name, bulletin wording, lily or spring plant and if paid. Plants can be picked up after the 11AM Easter service.

# Upcoming Events / Meetings / Area News

## Upcoming Events

### Quilting

**Quilting** Tuesdays from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall. No special skills needed and newcomers are always welcome! See you there!

### Zumba

Zumba Wednesdays at 6PM and Saturdays at 10AM in the Activity Center. \$1 at the door!

### Adult Volleyball

Friday nights from 6-8PM beginning Jan. 7th. Anyone 16 and older is welcome!

### Scrapbooking

Sat., April 2nd from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall. \$6.00 per person. Bring a dish to pass. Call the school office to RSVP.

### Blessed Art

Join us for an evening of fun, painting, and snacks in the St. Paul Parish Hall. Reserve your spot for the following dates: April 11<sup>th</sup>, and May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6PM. Cost: \$30 per person. Contact the Church Office 989-871-4581 #3 or Melissa Wagner 989-412-3365 for more information.



### Confirmation Rehearsal/ Secret Angel Luncheon

Sat., April 30th  
Rehearsal at 11AM - Luncheon Following

### 8th Grade Confirmation

Sun., May 1st at 1PM

### Dorcas Bus Trip

All are invited to the "**Genitti's Murder at the Mansion**" **Bus Trip** Thurs., June 9<sup>th</sup>. \$70.00 includes a 7-course family style lunch, transportation & Murder Mystery Show. For more info go to [genittis.com](http://genittis.com). To reserve your seat call Eileen Ziegler 989-871-2329 or Connie Keinath 989-871-4125. Sponsored by Dorcas LWIM.

### Area News

St. Michael's, Richville **Living Passion Drama** Fri., April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM and Sat., April 9<sup>th</sup> at 4, 5:30, and 7PM. Come to the church for live performances. This will be an indoor presentation this year. Fellowship and refreshments follow the presentation. For more information, call 989-868-4791, or visit our website at [stmichaelsrichville.com](http://stmichaelsrichville.com).

Millington Junior Women's Club **Easter Egg Hunt** Sat., April 9<sup>th</sup> at 11AM on the St. Paul Lutheran Playground.

## **Special Services 2022**

### **"Witnesses to Christ"**

Please join us for worship as we hear the witness of these people in John's Gospel:

### **Midweek of Lent 5 (April 6):**

*Pontius Pilate, John 19:1-16*

### **Holy Week**

#### **Palm Sunday (April 10):**

*The Disciples, John 12:12-19*

#### **Maundy (Holy) Thursday (April 14) at 7PM:**

*Judas Iscariot, John 13:21-30*

#### **Good Friday (April 15) at 1:30PM:**

*John, the Gospel Writer, John 19:25-37; Nicodemus, John 19:38-42*

#### **Good Friday Tenebrae at 7PM**

#### **The Resurrection of Our Lord (April 17)**

#### **Sunrise at 6:30, Festival at 8:30 & 11AM:**

*Mary Magdalene, John 20:1-18*

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

As we continue to celebrate our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, remember that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Join us as we continue our year-long celebration this Lenten Season as we prepare our hearts and minds to walk with Christ during His Passion.



### Meetings

#### **Social Concerns**

Tues., April 5th at 5:30PM in the Council Room

#### **Stewardship**

Tues., April 5th at 7PM

#### **Council**

Wed., April 6th at 6:30PM in the Library

#### **Voters' Meeting**

**Sun., April 10th at 1:30PM in the Church**

#### **Stephen Ministry**

Mon., April 11th at 7PM in the Gathering Room

#### **Board of Education**

Tues., April 12th at 6PM in the Computer Lab

#### **Dorcas**

Tues., April 19th at 6PM in the Parish Hall

#### **Elders**

Wed., April 27th at 7PM in the Gathering Room

# St. Paul Lutheran School



April 2022

*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.*

As our month begins, Lent continues but we look toward Easter and all the wonderful news that our risen Savior has for us all. Let's remember that as we see new life being renewed, warmer weather and plants begin to show their new growth we too need to be renewed and grow in the celebration of the risen Lord and live each day as His Easter people! Dear Lord, help us to show the joy and blessings we receive each day through Your Son, Jesus Christ! Amen.

Thank you to all that helped make Lutheran Schools Week a success in March! Your help and especially your prayers and support are greatly appreciated!

Here is a list of the up-coming school activities for the month of April. All of these dates are subject to change or cancellation:



- Apr. 4 Classes resume after Spring Break
- Apr.15-18 No School: Easter Break: CHRIST is Risen, He's risen indeed! Halleluiah!!!!
- Apr. 19 Classes resume after Easter
- Apr. 21 Art & Music Fair (K-8) 5-7 p.m. throughout the school

## School Musical Opportunities

April 10	All Students (K-8)	Choice of service
April 24	Jubilee Bell Choir	8:30 a.m.
	Free Spirit Choir (4-8)	11:00 a.m.



## Spartan Sports

Our basketball season for boys and girls on the C-teams has come to an end. Thank you to all who were able to be fans, parents, and coaches for a season of learning and growth. Now we start our Spring Sports schedules with boys & girls track. Please check the school website or Facebook page for updated information.

April 30 St. Michael's Invitational in Reese

We have many programs going on throughout the school year that earn money for St. Paul: Box-Tops for Education (upload the app), Our Family labels, can tabs, ink cartridges, Meijer and Kroger programs. See the school office for more information.

He is risen...He is risen INDEED!



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

# Daily Lectionary / Serve & Volunteer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April Daily Lectionary</b>					<b>1</b> Gen. 47:1-31 Mk. 13:24-37	<b>2</b> Gen. 49:29-50:7; Gen. 49:14-26 Mk. 14:1-11
<b>3</b> Ex. 1:1-22 Mk. 14:12-31	<b>4</b> Ex. 2:1-22 Mk. 14:32-52	<b>5</b> Ex. 2:23-3:22 Mk. 14:53-72	<b>6</b> Ex. 4:1-18 Mk. 15:1-15	<b>7</b> Ex. 4:19-31 Mk. 15:16-32	<b>8</b> Ex. 5:1-6:1 Mk. 15:33-47	<b>9</b> Ex. 7:1-25 Mk. 16:1-20
<b>10</b> Ex. 8:1-32 Heb. 1:1-14	<b>11</b> Ex. 9:1-28 Heb. 2:1-18	<b>12</b> Ex. 9:29-10:20 Heb. 3:1-19	<b>13</b> Ex. 10:21-11:10 Heb. 4:1-16	<b>14</b> Ex. 12:1-28 Heb. 5:1-14	<b>15</b> Ex. 12:29-32; Ex. 13:1-16 Heb. 6:1-20	<b>16</b> Ex. 13:17-14:9 Heb. 7:1-22
<b>17</b> Ex. 14:10-31 Heb. 7:23-8:13	<b>18</b> Ex. 15:1-18 Heb. 9:1-28	<b>19</b> Ex. 15:19-16:12 Heb. 10:1-18	<b>20</b> Ex. 16:13-35 Heb. 10:19-39	<b>21</b> Ex. 17:1-16 Heb. 11:1-29	<b>22</b> Ex. 18:5-27 Heb. 12:1-24	<b>23</b> Ex. 19:1-25 Heb. 13:1-21
<b>24</b> Ex. 20:1-24 Lk. 4:1-15	<b>25</b> Ex. 22:20-23:13 Lk. 4:16-30	<b>26</b> Ex. 23:14-33 Lk. 4:31-44	<b>27</b> Ex. 24:1-18 Lk. 5:1-16	<b>28</b> Ex. 25:1-22 Lk. 5:17-39	<b>29</b> Ex. 31:1-18 Lk. 6:1-19	<b>30</b> Ex. 32:1-14 Lk. 6:20-38

## Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, and Donate

**Easter Breakfast** this year will help support our St. Paul Valley Lutheran students. **Donations** of the following would be appreciated: White Milk, Chocolate Milk, Orange Juice, Ham, Ground Sausage, Ham, Onions, Butter, Syrup, Sugar-Free Syrup, Shredded Cheese, Shredded Hash Browns, Pineapple, Blueberries, Cantaloupe, Grapes, Strawberries, Blackberries, Pancake Mix or Monetary Donations. For planning purposes, please let us know in advance what you can help provide. Help is also welcome. Call the church office to volunteer and to donate. Thank you in advance.

**Service Project** – We are collecting items for health kits for the Saginaw Rescue Mission. Drop-off boxes will be in the hallway and in the narthex. The item list is as follows: Kids 3 in 1 Wash, Lip Balm, Anti-Bacterial Wipes, Hand or Body Lotion, Body Wash & Scrubbies, Tissues, Deodorant (Men & Women), Anti-Bacterial Liquid Soap, Shaving Cream (Men & Women) The Rescue Mission is also asking for donations of large boxes of cereal and ½ gallons of 100% non-refrigerated juice. Please no expired items.

**Shop and Earn Money!** We are now on **Amazon Smile**. If you already shop on Amazon, you are just one step away to earning money for St. Paul. Sign up at smile.amazon.com, add St. Pauls Lutheran School as your charity, and start shopping! It's that easy! We earn a percentage on every order.

**Would you consider opening your hearts** to families who want their children to receive a St. Paul Christian education, but perhaps cannot afford the rising costs? The **"Grantparent" Program** is designed to ease the financial burden for struggling parents, but it needs ongoing funds. If you are able to help financially to continue St. Paul's long-standing heritage of supporting this important mission to our families, please prayerfully follow God's "nudging" by contacting the school office. You may donate for general tuition funding or to a specific student. Make checks payable to St. Paul School. Thank-you in advance for blessing our children with your prayers and support.

If you wish to contribute to the **anniversary fund**, please put your donation in an envelope marked "125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" and place in the box in the narthex or bring to the church office.

Anyone wishing to **help prepare sack lunches** to take to the mission are asked to come to the St. Paul kitchen on **Fri., April 8th** at 1:30PM. Monetary donations are welcomed and needed for the lunches. Contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help.



# Financial Summary / Memorials / Misc.

## February 2022 Income & Expense Summary

General Fund Income:	\$68,429.35
General Fund Expenses:	\$102,943.34
Surplus (Deficit)	\$(34,513.99)
Overall surplus (deficit) to date	\$ 89,982.01
Gen Fund Checking Balance	\$209,246.61

## RESTRICTED Cash Accounts Summary\*\*

School Designated Accounts balance:	\$111,671.09
Church Designated Accounts balance:	\$98,464.90
All Memorials balance:	\$18,861.27
** This money is RESTRICTED***	\$228,997.26

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contributions to Grantparent Fund	\$449.85
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## Memorials & Special Gifts

In Memory of Kirsten Platt	
General Fund	\$170.00
School Fund	\$25.00
In Memory of Hazel Oyer	
Building Fund	\$20.00
In Memory of Violet Hornfeld	
General Fund	\$330.00

## Parish Officers 2022

**President** - Tim Sergent\*

**Vice President** - Mike Hoard

**Secretary** - Diane Bishop\*

**Board of Ed** - Angie O'Neil, Beth Skouson\*, Kent Singer, Lynnzee Burns, Rachel Hibner\*, Katy Sheppard\*

**Board of Elders** - Steve Kern, Rich Harpst, Jim Weber, Armand Carmona, Ron Schiefer, Rod Wilson, Matt Ayotte\*, Bill Hibner\*, Mark Wyman\*

**Board of Evangelism** - Jamie Blue\*, Kassandra Mills, Kaitlyn Woolwine, Fay Carmona, Elaine Bickel\*, **Vacant Position**

**Board of Fellowship** - Dennis Weiss, Celeste Ketels, Arlene Perrault\*, **3 Vacant Positions**

**Board of Finance** - Gloria Lapointe, Barbara Radloff, Lillian Sergent, Rachel Foley\*, Dawn Devereaux\*

**Board of Social Concerns** - Melissa Wagner, Barb Bassett, Amy Malchodi, Monica Koeltzow, Patti Martinal\*, April Ehrhardt\*

**Board of Stewardship** - Jan Snyder, Derek Bassett, Gailan Reinert, Kyle Koch\*, **2 Vacant Positions**

**Board of Trustees** - Jon Keinath, Ken Auernhammer, Nate Burns, Dwight Radloff, Mike Blue, Trevor Gleason, Dwight Keinath\*, Scott Koch\*, David Wiacek\*

**Salary & Personnel** - Mike Hoard, Duane Weber, Shelley Shollack, Jay Rodammer\*, Gloria LaPointe, Dawn Devereaux, Rachel Foley, Lynnzee Burns, William Hibner

\*Newly Elected or Appointed

We still have openings for some of our boards. If you would like to serve on one of them, please call the church office.

## National Day of Prayer

Join the Events on Thurs., May 5th  
 7:45-8:15AM - Youth at High School Flag Pole, Caro  
 12-1PM - Tuscola County Courthouse Lawn  
 1:30-3PM - Prayer Walk at Blessing Center  
 7-8PM - Prayer & Worship at Vassar Victory Center

## Altar Flowers

The 2022 Flower Chart is hanging in the hallway between the church mailboxes. Please add your name, phone number, and center or side vases. You are responsible for calling the florist of your choice.

## Messenger Sponsors

If you would like to sponsor a Messenger for April, November, or December 2022, please call the church office. The cost is \$75.00 per month.

## Don Haines Memorial Scholarship

Don Haines, lifelong resident of Arbela Township, bestowed a positive influence on his family to pursue their dreams by committing to and reinforcing the importance of a college education. While Don did not pursue this himself, he and his wife, Barbara, raised their children to believe that with a college education they would be able to do whatever they waited to do in life. Through the positive reinforcement received and the financial support of Don and Barbara, all four of their children, who attended St. Paul Lutheran School in Millington, pursued and received their college degrees.

Therefore, it is fitting that a fund has been established by the family, for future St. Paul graduates who go on to a Lutheran high school or pursue a degree at an accredited LCMS synodical college, university, or seminary.

A scholarship will be awarded to one high school and one college applicant. Any student who qualifies may read the requirements needed to apply. Applications are available in the Church Office and need to be returned by May 1st.



# April Birthdays



David Reinert	1	Brody Norman	10	Kourtnei Petzold	21
Amelia Wagner	1	Anika Sykes	11	Shelley Shollack	22
Alex Lee	1	Avery Mays	11	Jim Weber	22
Jeffrey Kennard	1	Sheila Haynes	12	Bryan Bonadurer	22
Hailey McPherson	1	Valerie Dennis	12	Matthew Greenan	22
Bob Wager	2	Marla Coggins	12	Timothy Jolly	22
Keagan Butterfield	2	John Osborn	12	Pastor Jim Bruner	23
William Bassett	2	Alexis France	12	Ruth Ann Petzold	23
Kierrah Butterfield	2	Sophia Gleason	13	Brookelyn Finatri	23
Bonnie Draper	2	Eric Hoard	13	Alyssa Frahm	23
Erin Schwab	2	Katy Sheppard	13	MaKella Opperman	23
Tobin Keinath	3	Zachery White	14	Isaac Petzold	23
Jack Reinert	3	Fay Carmona	15	Bette Chambal	24
Angel Gorsuch	3	Tamara Schultz	15	Bernice Schiefer	24
Brendan Johnson	3	Faith Stratton	15	Heather Weber	24
Seth Mittler	4	Shellie Watchpocket	15	Noah Reinbold	24
Janet Reinert	4	Jacob Adamic	15	Joshua Torrey	24
Duane Switzer	4	Donald Coleman	16	Bruce Harris	24
Harper Mills	4	Leah Denome	16	Ellianna Simon	24
Ethan Hoard	5	Sidney Werner, Sr	16	Claire Erlenbeck	25
Ryan Keinath	5	Ryan Goodhue	16	Debbie Galant	25
Steven, Jr. Holmes	5	Kolten O'Neil	17	Delores Damm	26
Kelsi McAlister	5	Sarah Thayer	17	Morgaine Anderson	26
Jacob Myers	6	Armand Carmona	18	Zachary Cunningham	26
Carlee Allard	6	Mandy Skinner	18	Amanda Hergenreder	26
Jim Dues	6	Gavin Blue	18	Owen Reinig	26
Beth Todd	6	Sawyer Keinath	18	Brian Rondo	27
Therese Dobis	6	Tamera Smith	18	William Badgley	28
Lisa Bentley	7	Virginia Reinert	19	John Petzold	28
Sharon Jensen	7	Bridgett Greenan	19	Madison ILL	28
David Ackerman	8	Philip Erlenbeck	20	Stephanie Deavey	29
Christina Detgen	8	Martin Powell	20	Edwyn Maschke	29
Matthew Johnston	8	Nicole Stiff	20	Nicholas Yorke	29
Mark Merriam	8	Katrina Wager	20	Bradley Bonadurer	29
Angie Ayotte	9	Leonard Ross	20	Kyle Clark	30
Hunter Dennis	9	Howard Wells	20	Reese Ehrhardt	30
Olivia Hibner	9	Ian Stiff	21	Diana Allard	30
Dylan Herrick	9	Angela Burton	21	Terence Frixen	30
Clinton Schwab	9	Bryan Horning	21	Mason Ley	30
Jenna Albrecht	10	Zi Koch	21	Hudson Ruppel	30
Dakota Bouck	10			Cali Stadler-Anderson	30



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# April 2022



He Is Risen!  
Easter Blessings!



*We don't have to agree on anything  
to be kind to one another.*