



Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

August 2023

"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,

On the one hand, we want to take a vacation.

On the other hand, we are concerned about so many things and can not stop "doing" in an effort to insure life is secure.

God offers us a vacation all year round. He invites us to rest or take a Sabbath each week. Take a vacation by letting God be in control. Jesus said He cares for us, therefore we should not worry or slave away. *"But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well" Matt. 6:33.*

Summer is a different schedule, but I encourage you to attend worship when you are here. Let God speak to your heart. *"Go, and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10. Time with God is more fulfilling than an exotic get-away or Northern retreat.*

Looking to God in our personal lives and as a congregation is the answer to our wants and needs. God promises to provide what is good for His people. That is why Paul wrote, *"Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment" 1 Tim. 6:17.*

God also wants to bring refreshment and joy to His children. *"He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint" Isaiah*

40:29-31. Summer is a time of rest and restoration, but when we look to God, He provides this every day, all year long.

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

Pastor Bruner
1 John 4:10-11



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Worship Services

Saturday 7PM
Sunday 9:30AM
(Sun. also live-streamed)

Bible Study/Sunday School

10:45AM
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Meetings

Social Concerns

Tues., Aug. 1st at 5:30PM

Council

Wed., Aug. 2nd at 6:30PM in the Library

Board of Education

Tues., Aug. 8th at 6PM in the School Office

Voters' Meeting

Sun., Aug. 13th at 1:30PM in the Church

Stephen Ministry

Mon., Aug. 14th at 7PM in the Gathering Room

Elders

Wed., Aug. 23rd at 7PM in the Gathering Room

*The August Messenger is sponsored in memory of
Ron Edler's 86th birthday from his family.*

Worship Times / Scripture / Upcoming Events

Summer Worship Times

Saturdays at 7PM, Sundays at 9:30AM
Bible Study Sundays at 10:45AM
Communion 1st & 3rd Saturdays
2nd & 4th Sundays

If you would like to be added to our email list, please go to stpaul-millington.org/subscribe.html.

Scripture Readings

August 6th

Isaiah 55:1-5
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

August 20th

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Rom. 11:1-2a, 13-15, 28-32
Matthew 15:21-28

August 13th

Job 38:4-18
Romans 10:5-17
Matthew 14:22-33

August 27th

Isaiah 51:1-6
Romans 11:33-12:8
Matthew 16:13-20

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.



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

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 #1 and leave a message or email church.office@spmill.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.

Public School Confirmation Classes

Classes will be on Tuesdays from 7-8PM beginning Sept. 12th. If you have a child in 7th or 8th grade or know of someone who wants to attend, please call the church office by Mon., Aug. 21st.

Upcoming Events

Zumba

Zumba Saturdays at 10AM in the Activity Center.
\$1 at the door!

Men's Bible Study

Sat., Aug. 5th at 8AM in the Library.

Franconian Zone LWML Summer Retreat & Potluck

Tuesday, August 8 at 6PM

St. Paul Lutheran Church **in Caro**

Come enjoy fellowship & a Bible study with Pastor Cameron Steele. Please bring a dish to pass. Table service, drinks and air conditioning will be provided! If interested in carpooling, contact Luanne at 989-871-4819.

Voters' Meeting

Sun., Aug. 13th at 1:30PM

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

FREE Car Wash!!

Sun., Aug. 20th

10:30AM-2PM

Bring all your vehicles for a free wash and tell your friends and family too!

To donate to the car wash, fill out the form in the newsletter and return to the church office.



Chicken Take-Out Dinners

will also be sold during the Car Wash. Bring your vehicle for a wash and let us make your dinner for you!

School Open House

8th Grade Confirmation Meeting

Sun., Aug. 27th beginning at 12PM in the church

Students are welcome to bring your school supplies and tour your classrooms.

Calendar/Door Scheduling



If you need to book a room or the gym and **need the doors unlocked** for an event, practice, or meeting (or if your event is cancelled,) you need to call the church office at least a **couple days in advance** so the doors can be programmed. We want to prevent conflicts from occurring.



St. Paul Lutheran School

August 2023

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 on **August 28**. There will be an *Open House* on August 27 after the 12-1 p.m. EVERYONE in the congregation is invited to come and explore our classrooms and see what the school is all about. The school children are encouraged to bring their school supplies and drop them off.

We are looking forward to a wonderful 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 we are connected to God in so many ways and we need to lean on Him in all situations.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

As we step forward into the new school year, God has blessed us with a new Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Ashlee Keinath. Mrs. Keinath is a graduate of Saginaw Valley State University. She married Alex Keinath, her high school sweetheart, in 2015. Mr. & Mrs. Keinath have been blessed with three children Kara(7), Lincoln (4) and Joanne (1). In her spare time, Mrs. Keinath loves to watch movies, listen to music, read, and do lots of different crafts. She is excited to teach where her family goes to church and school. Welcome to the St. Paul family.

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



August 27

August 28

Sept. 1-4

Sept. 5

Open House at 12 p.m. starting in the church

First Day of School and Chapel Service

No School

Classes resume

Sports Practices for fall sports will start soon. Remember to have your sports physicals and athletics fee turned in before the first practice. The first games for fall sports will be in early September.

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

Daily Lectionary / Financial Summary / Memorials / Serve

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

June 2023 Income & Expense Summary

June General Fund Income:	\$129,721.27
June General Fund Expenses:	\$121,453.37
June surplus (deficit)	\$ 8,267.90
Overall surplus (deficit) to date	\$(71,485.05)
Gen Fund Balance	\$390,685.35

RESTRICTED Cash Accounts Summary**

School Designated Accounts balance:	\$130,537.06
Church Designated Accounts balance:	\$97,863.69
All Memorials balance:	\$19,195.44
** This money is RESTRICTED***	\$247,596.19

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contributions to Grantparent Fund June	\$525.05
Contributions to Facility/Property Impr. Fund	\$1,680.58

Memorials & Special Gifts

In Memory of Daniel Rogner	
General Fund	\$20.00
School Fund	\$100.00

In Honor of Arlene (Dittmer) Chamber's 90th Birthday	
General Fund	\$90.00

Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, Donate

Mission Lunches

Anyone wishing to **help prepare sack lunches** to take to the mission are asked to come to the St. Paul kitchen on **Fri., Aug. 11th** at 1:30PM. Monetary donations are welcomed and needed for the lunches. Contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help.

Live Stream Volunteers

In need of new live stream volunteers! In order to continue this ministry, we desperately need some help. Live stream teams serve once a month. All training is provided. Please prayerfully consider serving God and your church family in this way. Contact the church office if you are interested.

Hot Dog/Fish Booth

HELP IS NEEDED! We will need a **6th or 7th grade parent** to run the Hot Dog booth and **ALL PARENTS** to help with the fish booth during the summer festival. The school office has the information needed. Call if you can help in any way.

Chicken Take-Out Dinners

Looking for volunteers to help advertise and make signs for the next chicken take-out dinner on Aug. 20th. Help is also needed the day of the take-out for sales and packaging the meals. Please call Steve Kern 989-448-1069 or the church office 989-871-4581 if you can help in any way.

Mark Your Calendars for a ***Free Carwash!!***



August 20th from 10:30AM-2PM

This is a fundraiser to help support the Jr. High and Sr. High Youth groups!

How It Works

The youth are asking for pledges (usually about 5-25 cents per car) before the car wash – just fill out the pledge sheet and bring to the church office or put in the offering box. We will wash as many cars as possible, **FOR FREE**, on August 20th. 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

There are two ways that you can help make this event a success.

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 20th. For example, if you offered to donate 25 cents per car, and we are able to wash 100 cars, your total gift would be \$25. If you pledge 10 cents a car, and we wash the 100 cars, your donation would be \$10. Please fill out the pledge sheet on the back of this page and return to the church office.
2. Whether you are a pledge donor or not, PLEASE bring all your cars up to be washed on August 20th. 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.

Car Wash Pledge Sheet

If you are interested in being a pledge donor for the car wash, please fill out this form and drop in the box in the narthex or return to the church office by August 20th.



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount Pledged: _____

Below is a chart to help you with your pledge.

The last car wash we had, we washed 145 cars in 6 hours. This year we are washing cars for 3 1/2 hours.

<u>Pledge</u>	<u>50 Cars</u>	<u>75 Cars</u>	<u>100 Cars</u>	<u>125 Cars</u>	<u>150 Cars</u>
<u>\$0.05</u>	\$2.50	\$3.75	\$5.00	\$6.25	\$7.50
<u>\$0.10</u>	\$5.00	\$7.50	\$10.00	\$12.50	\$15.00
<u>\$0.15</u>	\$7.50	\$11.25	\$15.00	\$18.75	\$22.50
<u>\$0.20</u>	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
<u>\$0.25</u>	\$12.50	\$18.75	\$25.00	\$31.25	\$37.50

After August 20th, 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 or offering box, 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!!

Hidden Pictures: God Made the Animals

Find these objects hidden in the picture below:
book, clown's hat, fork, necktie, ring, rug, sherriff's badge, snail, sock





August Birthdays - Happy Birthday!!

Ken Damm	1	Pattie Ziegler	12	Michael Aguirre	22
Jody Hunt	1	Felicia Ball	12	Lindsey Allen	22
Olga Nims	1	Kay Horning	12	Drake Carlyon	22
Micheal Harrington	1	Jessica Lenk	12	Emma Dalton	22
Sharon Mitchell	1	Steven Titsworth	12	Jacob ILL	22
Easton Ruppel	1	Karen White	12	Penny Harris	22
Kellie Sherman	1	Erin Schmandt	13	Mary Sutton	23
Patrick Allen	2	Wanda Johnson	13	Aurora Hibner	23
Jeremy Frahm	2	Kelsey Platt	13	Michael Albert	24
Ivan Salem	2	Dale Todd	13	Troy Dues	24
Megan Danks	2	Stacey Force	14	Madilyn Draper	24
Gabe Mose	2	Kathryn DeOrnellas	14	Brandon David	24
Evan Reinert	3	Victor Fabbro	14	Jonathon Hoard	24
Jeremy Colman	3	Heath Keinath	14	Lori Reinert	24
Alexis Reinert	3	Aaron Reinbold	14	Rylie Mills	25
William Hibner	4	Hannah Penshorn	14	Adam Jacobs	25
Stephen Ley	4	Emery Morningstar	14	Matthew Blue	26
Brenda Ruppel	4	Heather Selich	15	Tom Keinath	26
Jon Carnet	5	Charles Daenzer	16	Laura Oliver	26
Nathan Dalton	5	Roy Kauer	16	Emmitt Stiff	26
Lorie Keinath	5	Judy Kolaja	16	Janel Boensch	26
Scott Raymond	5	Maureen Kralik	16	John Hergenreder	26
Christie Stevens	5	Alyssa Okorowski	16	Teresa Powell	26
Matthew Grulke	5	Malachi Wager	16	Mark Reinert	26
William Sherman	5	Collin Paquette	16	Olivia Ostrander	27
Garret Woodward	5	Ashton Porter	16	Aryha Wendland	27
Kristopher Watchpocket	5	Mason Wolfington	16	Mike LaPointe	28
Gloria LaPointe	6	Duane Webster	16	Paul Schoenknecht	28
Greyson Jaruzel	6	Jennifer Herrick	17	Hailey Brown	28
Tracey Gleason	7	Austin Loomis	17	Gary Lince	28
Alexandria Sergent	7	Lisa Merriam	17	Andrew Rogers	28
Bonnie Fall	8	Megan Russell	17	Julie Keinath	29
Keith, III Brown	8	Barbara Radloff	17	Mary Davison	29
Adam Knoll	8	Alyson Freeman	18	Nick Ewing	29
Dale Hanlin	9	Ron Schiefer	19	Connie Singer	29
Diane Prusi	9	Tina Petzold	19	Aliyah Raymond	29
Cassie Allard	9	Kevin Adelberg	20	Jeffrey Higgins	29
James Stratton	9	Nikolas Jensen	20	Terry Keinath	29
Katherine Werner	9	Easten Myers	20	Diane Selich	29
Jeremy Kern	10	Kayla Osborn	20	Lincoln Tolbert	29
Garry Knapp	10	Heidi Tyree	20	Kathleen Badgley	30
Janet Love	10	Matthew McGraw	21	Dawn Devereaux	30
Jason Smith	10	Jacob Koch	21	Rachel Hibner	30
Kathy ILL	11	Teresa Malace	21	Edward Hunt	30
Tim Keinath	11	John Mallard	21	Reid Deavey	30
Ken ILL	11	Tyler White	21	Larna Peterson	31
Tiffany Matzke	11	Rylee Burns	21	Peyton Woolwine	31
Brayden Rondo	11	Andria Kern	22	Jason Hiles	31
Reilly Spencer	11	Mark Rude	22	Travis Schiefer	31
Carolyn Petzold	12	Kenneth Sebert	22	Ryan Dobis	31
Matt Singer	12	Masen O'Neil	22	Austin Schultz	31



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**Equip. Build.
Grow. Together.**

Eph. 4:11-16

JESUS LOVED THE

**OUTCAST
KNOWN SINNER
TROUBLED
BROKEN HEARTED
LOST
HARD TO LOVE**

LOVE LIKE JESUS DID.