



Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

June 2021

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

A Message from Pastor

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

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Worship Services
Sunday 10 A.M.
(Also live-streamed)
Saturday 7 P.M.

Bible Study
Sunday 8:45 A.M.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in our Heavenly Father's Family,

Arnie Ruddinger is a man who serves Christ and has helped many young people over the years. Ironically, Arnie's eyes were blurred with tears as he read a letter from his own 40-year old son, Jeremy. "Dad, I've longed for most of my life to have a really close relationship with you. But so far it hasn't come about. It's important that I tell you this is a deeply felt need. And I'd like to see it happen."

The truth is many of us can relate to the need for improved relationships. Jeremy acknowledged the presence of pain, but he also wrote words of hope. "And I'd like to see [a really close relationship] happen."

It is never too late for fathers to reconnect. It didn't happen overnight for Arnie and Jeremy, but the determination, of both father and son, to build a stronger connection brought gradual improvement.

Father's Day is a time to reflect on our relationships and the deep desire for "a really close relationship." Regardless of who begins the process, it is worth the effort.

Malachi 4:6 says God may put someone in your life to encourage you to connect. "*He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers.*" If it takes an annual observance like Father's Day, then don't hesitate to turn your hearts to each other. Our hearts will grow closest when they have been filled with God's love. The Lutheran Study Bible footnote for Mal. 4:6 says, "When fathers and children have a good relationship, the way is prepared for the coming of Christ into their hearts."

Healthy relationships flow from a healthy relationship with God. God is love and the Holy Trinity is the epitome of a close relationship.

For us to experience the healthiest relationship, we will need the help of the One who is perfect at close relationships. Explore God's love for you and how this love can flow in words and actions toward others. "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.... This is how God showed his love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through him" (1 John 4:7, 9). God initiated the process and is determined to be in a very close relationship with us, so that we can be close to each other.

Jesus came to show us that God (the Father, Son and Holy Spirit) wants a really close relationship with you and me. Understanding what God did to connect with us will show us the way to connect with each other (1 John 4:10-12; Rom. 5:8; Phil. 2:1-11).

What about our relationships? There is hope, because our God desires for us to have these close relationships.

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

Pastor James Bruner

1 John 4:10-11



Worship News / Scripture

Worship Service Times

Saturdays at 7PM

Sundays at 10AM (Also live streamed)

Bible Study at 8:45AM in the Church
(Also live streamed)

Traditional service with Communion
2nd and 4th weekends

Contemporary service
1st, 3rd, and 5th weekends

To be added to our email list, please go to
www.stpaul-millington.org/subscribe.html.

Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays at 7PM in the Library.

The Gathering

Thursdays at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Join us for singing, prayer, fellowship, learning God's Word,
and growing in faith.

Men's Bible Study

We will begin meeting again!

Join us on Sat., June 5th at 8AM in the Library.

We will be studying Galatians.

Due to the holiday, next month we will meet on July 10th.



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



Sun., June 20th

Life doesn't come with
an instruction book-
that's why we have fathers.

Contact Information / Office Hours

If you need to speak to one of the pastors or some-
one in the church office, call 871-4581 #3 and leave
a message or email church.office@spmill.org. We will
reply as soon as we can. In case of emergency, call
one of the pastors on their cell phone - Pastor Bruner
989-233-1994 or Pastor Martinal 402-672-9817.

Church Office Hours

Monday through Wednesday from 11-3PM
or by appointment.



2021 Graduates

All former St. Paul students
graduating this year (High
School, College, Trade School,
etc.) are invited to wear your
cap and gown and worship
with us on Sun., June 13th in the 10AM service.
Please call the church office if you plan to attend so
we can reserve a seat for you.

"Here We Stand" Door Offering

We have been blessed to have members of St. Paul
become teachers and pastors. The MI District LCMS
is able to support future church workers through the
"Here We Stand" campaign. Along with Profession-
al Church Worker Scholarships, gifts will also help in
the areas of Innovative Missional Ministry, Michigan
District Endowment, and International Ministry. Over
\$7.22 million in gifts, pledges, and congregational
goals have been donated to date. Our next quarterly
door offering to help support this ministry will be
the weekends of June 5th/6th and 12th/13th. You
can also give to this fund at any time by placing in an
envelope marked "Here We Stand."

Scripture Readings

June 6th

Genesis 3:8-15

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Mark 3:20-35

June 13th

Ezekiel 17:22-24

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

Mark 4:26-34

June 20th

Job 38:1-11

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Mark 4:35-41

June 27th

Lamentations 3:22-33

2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-15

Mark 5:21-43

Upcoming Events / Meetings / Area News

Upcoming Events

St. Paul groups are able to have events in the building (at this time the school area is still off limits) after filling out a Building Use Registration Form. Return completed form to the Church Office one week prior to your event for door locks, calendars, etc. to be updated. Forms can be found online or in the Church Office. Call the office if questions.

Zumba

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

St. Paul Community Garden Planting Day

June 5th at 11AM

Please join us in planting our Community Garden. Meet us in the garden and bring a plant of your choice. Looking forward to seeing new faces!

Meetings

Social Concerns

Tues., June 1st at 5:30PM

Council

Wed., June 2nd at 6:30PM

Voters' Meeting

Sun., June 13th at 1:30PM

Stephen Ministry

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

Dorcas

Tues., June 15th at 6PM in the Parish Hall

Elders

Wed., June 23rd at 6:30PM in the Gathering Room



Historical Pictures

The **Historical Committee** is updating the 75th Anniversary St. Paul History Booklet written by Rudy Petzold. We would like to get the **original pictures** used by Rudy in his book. If you or your family have any of these historic pictures in your possession, would you please loan them to the Historical Committee? The originals will make better copies when we print. Thank you!

Area News

Bunks Across America

"Sleep in Heavenly Peace" is a nonprofit organization that builds, assembles, and delivers bunk beds to children and families in need. We have a group right here in Millington building bunks on Sat., June 12th starting at 10AM at the Glaza Pavilion. Any help would be appreciated - just show up and they will show you what to do. Lunch is included!

Job Openings at Valley Lutheran

Athletic Trainer (new position) is responsible for serving as a Christian role model while developing, implementing, and leading programs and processes that provide skilled care for VLHS athletes.

Food Service Supervisor (retirement) is responsible for serving as a Christian role model while supervising a nutritionally healthy and financially sound food service program.

Food Service Assistant (retirement) is responsible for serving as a Christian role model while assisting the Food Service Supervisor in providing a nutritionally healthy and financially sound food service program.

Submit a resume to jpetzold@vlhs.com or call at 790-1676 with questions and more information. This would begin for the upcoming school year.

Valley Lutheran Youth Football Camp 2021

When: June 28-30 (Rain or Shine) 11am-1pm

Where: Valley Lutheran Football Field

Who: Anyone grades 6-8 (2021/22 School Year)

Cost: \$30 (Camper will get a camp T Shirt)

What: Athletes will get two hours of great football instruction. We will go over all phases of the game, passing, kicking, blocking, tackling, punting, running, catching, and anything else involved within the game of football. We will be teaching fundamentals of all positions on Offense, Defense, and Special Teams.

Please Register at www.vlhs.com/camps

Valley Lutheran Summer Camps

Yes, summer camps at Valley Lutheran are a 'go!' Middle school students are invited to join us in June for a wide range of camp offerings in a safe and fun setting. Sports, liturgical dance, art, STEM activities - you'll likely find something for everyone! Head to www.vlhs.com/camps to view the full camp schedule and to register. Please contact Summer Camp Coordinator Amy Cooper at acooper@vlhs.com or 989-790-1676, ext. 40 with any questions.

Housing Needed

The **Concordia University Physician Assistant** program is in search of affordable housing for its students. Do you have a spare bedroom? An unused in-law suite? A vacation house? The CUAA PA students are in search of housing during clinical rotations located across the state beginning in May 2022. If you have room for a student or two, please consider opening your doors to a graduate student in need. Please contact the PA program with questions or to add yourself to the potential housing list. Call 734-995-4826 or email



St. Paul Lutheran School

June 2021

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.

This school year is ending not quite as uniquely as last year, for which we are thankful! We all need to remember how much our heavenly Father has blessed us, kept us safe and healthy and LOVES us!. Thank you, Lord for ALL You have given us and done for us, Your children!

Due to the times that we are living through, graduations for Pre-school, Kindergarten and 8th grade will be done a bit differently. **Kindergarten** graduation will take place on the church steps (south doors) on **June 4th at 6 p.m.** The **8th grade** graduation will take place on **June 12th at 1:00 p.m.** in the church sanctuary. The sanctuary will only be open for the graduating students and their families. However, members of the congregation are invited to join in via a live stream, located on the St. Paul Lutheran church/school website. The **Pre-school** graduations will take place on separate evenings, **4 year olds on June 14th** and **3 years olds on June 15th**. Both of these ceremonies will be in the **Pavilion at 6 p.m.**

2021-2022 school registration will happen **June 15th, 16th, and 17th** from **10 a.m. -7 p.m.** When you come in, please make sure you bring all pertinent papers, insurance cards, and driver's license (for iChats). Also, please help us get the word out about our school. If you know of someone who could be blessed by the Christ-centered education which is offered at St. Paul Lutheran School, please tell them or better yet, invite the to come with you. They will have the opportunity to meet with some of the teachers, take a tour of the school and receive information concerning enrollment.

Volunteers are needed for next year's all day 4yr old preschool, (8:45-3 p.m.) 3yr & 4yr old AM (8:45-11:30 a.m.) and PM (12:15-3 p.m.) classes. If you are willing to help enrich these young minds with the wisdom God has blessed you with, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

The school office may have different hours through the summer. Please call first to make sure someone is here. Thank you.

Also as a reminder, even though it is summer, the *Kroger, Meijer & Boxtops* for Education programs continue.

Our school faculty and staff would like to thank you all for your help during the digital learning that happened as well as your prayers and support throughout the school year. May God grant us His blessings for a safe, relaxing and fun-filled summer! We will see you at church, school registration, working in our Community Garden and around town.

Until next school year, first day August 30, 2021, blessings on your summer!

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



Finance Summary / Memorials / Misc.

CEF Building Fund Summary

Mortgage Balance as of 4/30/2021:	\$208,473.80
Debt free date if nothing changes: December, 2022	
Balance as of 4/30/21 in contingency deposit account	\$23,872.83
April offerings for May mortgage principal & interest	\$11,949.59

April 2021 Income & Expense Summary

April General Fund Income:	\$69,683.21
April General Fund Expenses:	\$85,730.80
April deficit	\$(16,047.59)
Overall surplus (deficit) to date	\$(56,321.23)
Gen Fund Checking Balance	\$108,851.18

Fish Fry net proceeds

8th grade DC trip	\$11,607.30
PTL	\$3,537.63
Elders	\$991.46
Total fish fry net proceeds	<u>\$16,136.39</u>

Contributions to Grantparent Fund Jan-Apr	\$14,862.43
Contributions to School Assistance Fund Jan-Apr	\$3,000.00
Here We Stand door offering	\$951.25

Memorials & Special Gifts

In Memory of Jerry Gross	
General Fund	\$20.00
In Memory of Earl Hergenreder	
General Fund	\$20.00
In Memory of Ireva Wolverton	
General Fund	\$80.00
In Memory of Larry Keinath	
General Fund	\$155.00
Building Fund	\$65.00
School Fund	\$90.00
Memorials Undesignated	\$1,835.00



Messenger Sponsors

A Sponsor is needed for **December**. If you would like to sponsor, please call the church office. The cost is \$75.00 per month.

Altar Flowers

The 2021 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.

Special Thanks!

Dear Dorcas:

Thank you so much for your generous donation to Christian education. We are proud and thankful to have 3 young ladies attend Valley Lutheran High School. We are very grateful for your thoughtfulness and support. Every bit helps to pay for tuition.

Thank you again for helping our kids get a great education at Valley Lutheran.

In Christ,
The Ayotte and Bruner Families

The family of Larry Keinath would like to express our gratitude for all the love and support during this difficult time. Special thanks to Pastor Bruner for the visits and Pastor Martinal for the funeral service. Also, Teresa for the beautiful music. God bless you all.

I would like to thank Mrs. Weber and her 2nd grade class for the Easter basket and all that was inside, Mrs. Singer and her 3rd grade class for the beautiful Easter cards, and all my friends and family at St. Paul for their thoughts, cards and gifts. Thank you for making my 90th birthday a great success!

-Betty Bleuer

Thank you to George Corrigan for working on the garage door lock.

Many thanks to Kirby Co. for donating another vacuum for the church and also for the continued free repairs and bags! Very much appreciated!

Thank you to everyone for all the cards, well wishes, and calls for my birthday. All were very appreciated! -Eunice Peche

Daily Lectionary / Orphan Grain Train

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June Daily Lectionary		1 Ecd. 9:1-17 John 9:24-41	2 Ecd. 10:1-20 John 10:1-21	3 Ecd. 11:1-10 John 10:22-42	4 Ecd. 12:1-14 John 11:1-16	5 Prov. 1:8-33 John 11:17-37
6 Prov. 3:5-24 John 11:38-57	7 Prov. 4:1-27 John 12:1-19	8 Prov. 5:1-23 John 12:20-36	9 Prov. 8:1-21 John 12:37-50	10 Prov. 8:22-36 John 13:1-20	11 Prov. 9:1-18 John 13:21-38	12 Prov. 10:1-23 John 14:1-17
13 Prov. 13:1-25 John 14:18-31	14 Prov. 14:1-27 John 15:1-11	15 Prov. 15:1-29 John 15:12-27	16 Prov. 16:1-24 John 16:1-16	17 Prov. 17:1-28 John 16:17-33	18 Prov. 20:5-25 John 17:1-26	19 Prov. 22:1-21 John 18:1-14
20 Prov. 22:22-23:12 John 18:15-40	21 Prov. 24:1-22 John 19:1-22	22 Prov. 25:1-22 John 19:23-42	23 Prov. 27:1-24 John 20:1-18	24 Prov. 30:1-9, 18-33 John 20:19-31	25 Prov. 31:10-31 John 21:1-25	26 Joshua 1:1-18 Acts 8:1-25
27 Joshua 2:1-24 Acts 8:26-40	28 Joshua 3:1-17 Acts 9:1-22	29 Joshua 4:1-24 Acts 9:23-43	30 Joshua 5:1-6:5 Acts 10:1-17			

Orphan Grain Train

Ogt.org

Wish List - Items can be placed in the barrel outside the church or school office.

1. Prayers for God's blessings on this ministry.
2. Cash donations to pay for shipping. Checks can be sent to Orphan Grain Train-Michigan, 126 E. Main St., Sebawaing, MI 48759 or by credit card at www.ogt.org click "Donate Now."
3. Infant Supplies - Cloth and Disposable Diapers, Layettes, Stuffed Toys
4. Medical Equipment and Supplies - Bed & Bath Linens, Sheets, Disposable Gowns and Gloves, Hospital Beds, Walkers, Wheel Chairs, Crutches, Canes, Stethoscopes, Blood Pressure Cuffs
5. Hygiene Supplies (kit instructions on website) - Sanitary Products for Women, Toothbrushes, Diapers for Adults & Babies, Towels & Washcloths, Bar Soap, Combs
6. School Supplies (kit instructions on website) - Back-packs, New Coloring Books, Crayons, Ballpoint Pens, Pencils, Writing Paper, Notebooks, Sports Equipment such as Soccer Balls, Bats, Baseballs, Ball Gloves, & Uniforms
7. Clothing (gently used or new for Infant, Children, Women, Men) Clean & Wearable Shoes, NEW Underwear - all ages, Socks
8. Quilts, Comforters, Blankets, Towels, Washcloths

Mission Statement

In loving response to Christ, the Servant, the Orphan Grain Train movement encourages and enables God's people to share personal and material resources in bringing Christ's name and character to needy people both far and near. Sometimes that character expresses itself as a word well spoken, sometimes as a bandage well applied, and sometimes as a **child** well fed.

What is 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.

Orphan Grain Train Changes Lives

Across the globe hungry, destitute people live day to day without warm clothing, nourishing food, clean water, shelter or medical care. In 1992 Pastor Ray Wilke saw that need face to face, and determined to make a positive impact on as many people as possible. Today Orphan Grain Train has shipped to 69 different countries, sharing God's mercy and love by meeting the needs of the hopeless.



June Birthdays

Wayne Jaruzel	1	Jamie Morningstar	10	Angelina Knapp	20
Dale Roth	1	Christina Bassett	11	Tricia Langley	20
Dennis Lugg	1	Darryl McLaren	11	Jacob Schoenknecht	20
Dwight White	1	Jake Rodammer	11	Becky Wolfington	20
Marcia Keinath	2	Parker Rodammer	11	Chad Fackler	21
Mitchel ILL	2	Ryan Steepe	11	Pam Schultz	21
Ellie Titsworth	2	Chad Ruppel	11	Linda Dues	22
Jason Keinath	4	Cindy Petzold	12	Edward Meeks	22
Delilah Sabgash	4	Betty Valentine	12	Brian Rodammer	22
Jake Petzold	5	Rod Wilson	12	Shelli Lugg	23
Lisa Rodammer	5	Marc Keinath	12	Wally Prusi	23
Peter Shollack	5	Alyxandra Carlyon	12	Florence Hohman	23
Jack Petzold	5	Lillie Flach	12	Jasmine Brandle	24
Trenton Reinertson	5	Shelly Ide	12	Colton Keinath	24
Carl Simmons	5	Gerry Smith Sr	12	Kristen Keinath	24
Jordan Tyree	5	Colleen Woelke	12	Lillia Sherman	24
Janice McKee	6	Rick Sherman	13	Ronald Coleman	24
Bob O'Neil	6	Sheri Webster	13	Paul Horning	24
Marian Reinert	6	Greg Ehrmantraut	13	Lucas Morse	24
Ryker Cunningham	6	Kaitlyn ILL	13	Bradley Smith	24
Ryland Cunningham	6	Crystal Raymond	13	Edward Schmidt	24
Levi Ostrander	6	Gary Hecht	14	Wyatt Weiss	24
Heath Holmes	6	James Simmons	14	Emily Bailey	25
Kelly Nelson	6	Micah Denome	14	Dustin List	25
Donald Payea	6	Melissa Galloway	14	Richard Saeger	25
Rachel Foley	7	Laura Gleim	14	David Walz	25
Victor Reinert	7	Jason Gross	14	Sandra Fackler	26
Danial Woolwine	7	Charlene Kinney	14	Michael O'Hearn	26
Joshua Cunningham	7	Jakob Selich	14	Jennifer Stewart	26
Laverne Pashby	7	Brooklyn Bishop	14	Tim Walter	27
Sue Howay	8	Gwyn Keinath	15	Kathryn Hayden	27
Bob Irving	8	Lloyd Taylor	15	Meagan Rodammer	27
Cassie Matthews	8	Kathy White	15	Hudson Stewart	27
Garet Edler	8	Scott Williams	15	Gregory Hoard	28
Amy Gross	8	Charles Sischo	15	Valerie Peche	28
McKenna Slough	8	Dale Torrey	16	Avery Mills	28
Jessi Woodward	8	Ashlee Keinath	16	Nicholas Jones	28
Timothy David	9	Tamara Ley	16	Kelly Keipinger	28
Kara Keinath	9	Nathanael Thayer	16	Emily Loomis	28
Nathan Selich	9	Heather Hayden	17	Otto Petzold	28
Cory McGregor	9	David Bringer	17	Bradyn Titsworth	28
Gary Shreve	10	Estee Heike	17	Benjamin Hayden	29
Beth Skouson	10	Kenny Knapp	17	Trevor Sherman	29
Andy Stratton	10	Brianna Schwab	17	Ryan Woolwine	29
Jeremy P. Petzold	10	Pamela Bush	18	Shannon Blue	30
Jerry Love	10	Bonnie Gross	18	Robin Johnston	30
Ella List	10	Nadine Fealko	18	Blake Burns	30
John Huber	10	Jennifer Hahn	19	Cheryl Dormire	30
Kristy Jaruzel	10	Jodi Henderson	19	Jackie Hecht	30
Janine McMahan	10	Dustin Sebert	19	Brooke Milostan	30
Jenna Meacham	10	Jeanette Allard	20	Collin Milostan	30
		Levi Keinath	20	Jim Saeger	30



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Set an example.
Treat everyone with kindness and respect,
even those who are rude to you -
Not because they are nice,
but because you are.