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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

March 2012

Rev. James Bruner
Rev. Kirk Abatelli



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

*The March Messenger is
sponsored in honor of Ottilie Ill
on her 93rd birthday.*

What difference does Jesus make in our lives?

About 4 years ago someone asked me why I always preach about Jesus and His death and resurrection. She wanted to know why I don't have anything else to preach about. I told her there is nothing better than Jesus and what He has done. Why? Because Jesus makes all the difference in our lives. It is the reason we get together on Sunday to worship, participate in Bible Study and gather for fellowship as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Jesus does make all the difference in our lives. Look at everyone in the world. Suffering and pain touches us all. At times the lives we live seem like an endless cycle of hopelessness. Even as Christians who believe and know Christ is the source of hope among our struggles, we still suffer. We still struggle; we still die. So, what difference does Jesus make?

The brokenness that invades our lives – those things that cause guilt, shame, and grief exist because of sin. This sin separates us from God and robs us of the peace, comfort, and hope we desperately hunger after. No matter how hard we try, there isn't anything we can do to make things right again on our own. That's why Jesus Christ is needed.

When we cry for help in the sea of our suffering, pain, guilt, shame, and grief, Jesus comes to answer our prayers. Jesus took the punishment we deserve. He died in our place so that we are forgiven. Because we are forgiven, we have the com-

fort of being at peace with God and having peace in our lives. We have the certainty that He provides us with the strength to cope with guilt, shame, and grief and pulls us through those times. Jesus is always with us.

Because of Jesus' sacrifice and victory through His resurrection, we have proof our past is forgiven, our present is strength-filled, and our future is guaranteed. A future that is everlasting without suffering, sin, and death. This glorious place called heaven is where we will see Jesus face to face. Death, grief, pain, and shame cannot hold us back or separate us from Him, because our Christ has conquered death and lives for us.

That's the BIG difference Jesus makes!

Refocus for Lent

- Give up complaining—Focus on gratitude.*
- Give up harsh judgments—Think kind thoughts.*
- Give up worry—Trust God to provide.*
- Give up discouragement—Be full of hope.*
- Give up bitterness—Turn to forgiveness.*
- Give up hatred—Return good for evil.*
- Give up anger—Be more patient.*
- Give up pettiness—Become mature.*
- Give up jealousy—Pray for trust.*
- Give up gossiping—Control your tongue.*
- Give up sin—Turn to virtue.*
- Give up giving up—Persevere.*

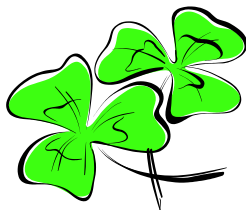
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Wednesday Lenten Services

Theme: "God Spoke All These Words"
Exodus 20 (The Ten Commandments)
Mar. 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
Worship Times: 4 & 7PM
5-6:30 Soup Supper—Free Will Donation

Palm Sunday—April 1st
8:30 AM & 11:00AM



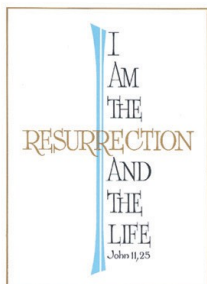
Holy Week

Maundy Thursday—April 5th
7PM Worship with Communion

Good Friday—April 6th
1:30PM—Worship
7PM—Tenebrae

Easter—April 8th
6:30AM—Sunrise Service

8:30 AM & 11:00AM Worship with Communion
7:30-10:30AM—Easter Breakfast



Calendar of Events

St. Paul Story Hour

Storyhour for Preschool children is offered each week on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings from 9-11AM in the youth room at St. Paul throughout the school year. Currently, 7 children attend on Tuesdays and about 10 on Wednesdays. There is room for more. If you are interested, come in any Tues. or Wed. or call Lori Osborn for details at 989-205-9873.

We explore Bible stories with activities, crafts, songs, and fun. We will begin to hear about Easter very soon, and the program will end in May. This lively group enjoys time with their new friends as they grow in their faith. Parents donate needed items to make this a free program for all involved. We all volunteer to help the children learn and experience a "fun school" time one day a week.

Zumba

Tuesdays at 6:15PM in the Activity Center.

Crafts

Dorcas crafts will be on Wednesdays at 9:30AM at Anna Tuttle's home beginning March 7th. Join the fun!

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings are offered every Tuesday from 7:30-8:30PM in the Council Room. For more information contact Gary 989-710-6637.

St. Paul Lenten Fish Fry

TAKE OUT ONLY

Fridays March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

Time: 3pm to 7pm

Meal includes: Fish & Choice of: Fries,
Onion Rings, or Baked Potato,
Coleslaw and Roll.

Cost: \$8.75

Please use the Center St. or Parish Hall entrance.

Large orders call ahead at 989-871-4584.

Pies for sale, \$8.00 each to help the 7th graders
with their DC trip.

Profits go to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Funds will be supplemented by Thrivent Financial.



Celebration

On Sunday, March 4th we will be **celebrating the anniversaries** of Carol Weber (25 years), Paul Schoenknecht (35 years), and Elaine Bickel (40 years). Please join us at 9:45AM in the Parish Hall with a reception to thank them for their years of service to our Lord.

Heroes

Tues., March 6th & 20th at 7:30PM

If you are a man who wants to make a positive impact at St. Paul Lutheran, we would love to have you join our **HEROES Men's Ministry**. We meet on the first and third Tuesday each month at 7:30PM. If interested, please call Eddie Meeks 989-233-7959, David Kaiser 823-3111, or Pastor Abatelli 871-5015.

A SCRAPBOOK EVENT

March 10th

TIME: 9AM-7PM (doors open to set up at 8:30 am)

WHERE: St. Paul Parish Hall

COST: Pre register \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 at the door.

PRIZES: Great Food! Great Fun! Make New Friends!....and Prizes too!

BRING: Your own stamping &/or scrapbook supplies, pictures, etc., dish to pass and beverages if you want other than coffee or H2O.

A Representative from Stampin' Up and Creative Memories will be set up with supplies, lessons, "how-to's" and ideas. Items can be purchased.

PLEASE R.S.V.P. - in the school office - or with Susan Jensen 871-4866 or e-mail: jenco33@yahoo.com

**SCRAPBOOKING MAKES MEMORIES THAT
LAST A LIFETIME...JESUS MAKES
MEMORIES THAT LAST FOREVER!**

Benefit Lasagna Dinner

Sun., Mar. 18th from 12:30-4PM in the Parish Hall. Proceeds are for Karen (Craig) Petzold to offset medical bills. Please join us.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline
Monday, March 19th

*First Day of Spring
March 20th*



Easter Egg Hunt

Sat., March 31st at 11AM
on the St. Paul playground.

Sponsored by the
Millington Jr. Women's Club.

Spiritual News

Sunday Morning Bible Studies

Background of the Bible

Led by Pastor Bruner in the choir warm up room.

Adult Instruction Class

Led by Pastor Abatelli in the Projects Room.

Lutheranism 101

Led by Ed White in the Library.

High School Bible Study ***"The Addictive Personality"***

Led by Laura Gleim in the Youth Room.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

Saturday, March 3rd at 7:30AM in the Library.

Led by David Kaiser.

Coffee, milk, orange juice, and doughnuts will be provided.

Musical Opportunities

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM.

Anyone is welcome to join at any time.

Jr. Jammers

Junior Jammers is for any child who likes to sing. They sing with the Praise Team the 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month in the 11AM service. We practice during Sunday School time from 10-10:45AM. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Brown 871-9224.

Choir Rehearsals

Wednesdays at 6PM

Handbells

Mondays at 7PM



Brass Practice

Sunday, March 4th & 11th at 9:45AM

Nursery

The Board of Elders would like to remind our families that our **nursery is available** for your use **during worship services**. All God's children are welcomed in all our services. We know that sometimes you may seek a quiet spot for the little ones. Our nursery is always open and available for that purpose. If you choose to use the nursery, we encourage you to utilize the close circuit live broadcast of the service by turning on the TV in the nursery. You will, of course, need to stay with and care for your children, as our nursery will continue to be unmanned due to a lack of willing volunteers.

March Scripture Readings

Exodus 20:1-21

The Ten Commandments

Ministry Perks

Ministry Perks 4th quarter earnings were \$71.85. You can get your free card from the church office. Thank you to all who remembered to use your Ministry Perks card when making purchases at the Family Christian Bookstore!

Board Vacancies

There is a **vacancy** on the **Board of Stewardship** and a vacancy on the **Board of Evangelism**. If you know of someone who you think would be good for these positions, please contact Jeff Yorke or the church office.

Sunday School

Sunday School is for children of all ages. We have fun each week from 9:45-10:45AM. Everyone is invited classes are offered to explore God's Word. This is not just another day of school. . .we make learning fun. We are approaching the Easter season and the very important story of Jesus' death and resurrection. We will join together for an Easter celebration on Sun., April 1st (no foolin'). Please plan to join us during this special season. We will conclude the year with a special gathering on Sun., May 20th. Watch the bulletin for details. As the school year concludes, we look forward to next year. Help is needed. Please consider teaching any age, for a quarter—3 months, or the entire year.

Thank you to everyone who takes time to bring their children each week. We enjoy getting to know each other. If you have questions or concerns, please call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Meetings

Council Wed., Mar. 7th at 8PM

Stephen Ministry Mon., Mar. 12th & 26th at 7PM

Dorcas Tues., Mar. 20th at 6:30PM

Christian Care Sun., Mar. 25th at 9:30AM

Elders Wed., Mar. 28th at 8PM

Serving / Memorials

Serve the Lord by Serving Others

Laura Schwab Meal Plan

A **meal plan** calendar has been set up for **Laura Schwab**. If you would like to prepare a meal, please go to www.caringmeals.com/plan/LauraSchwab. If you have questions, please contact Katie Abatelli at keb17@aol.com "Attn: Laura S. meal".

Grunts

Grunts is a **new volunteer group** that is being formed here at St. Paul. If you decide to join, you'll be put on an automatic call list. Then, every so often, you'll receive a voicemail with information about an opportunity to volunteer. These events could vary greatly, from setting up chairs, to helping a family in need. One event may be hard physical labor, the next licking envelopes. If you can make it, send a text or call me (Jake Petzold), and if you can't, that's fine too. We understand that you're busy, and this group only asks you to be willing to hear about opportunities to serve, and make it when you can. If you are interested in being involved, please call (or text) Jake Petzold at 989-327-5532 or 989-871-2980.

Opportunities to be the hands and feet of Jesus. . .

FORMER STEPHEN MINISTERS: Your Stephen Ministry Leadership Team needs you! We currently have a waiting list of potential Care-Recipients; hurting people waiting for the Christ-centered care that only you can offer them. Serve Him? We GET to!!! Are you **ready** to return? Are you **willing**? You ARE able! Please call Laurel Woodward 989-871-4969 at your earliest convenience.

Notes of Encouragement

A revised list of our shut-in members is available to **Christian Care Committee** members who send **notes of encouragement**. There are also cards made by our local Brownie Troop. The cards and list may be found on the cabinet outside the church office.

Soup Supper Donation Sheets

Soup Supper donation sheets are available in the narthex. Please return to the office by Wed., Feb. 15th. Thank you!

Health Kits

Dorcas: Good start, ladies. For the Health Kits we now need: 40 emery boards, 25 combs, 25 shampoo, 21 deodorant, 21 hand towels and 19 wrapped bars of soap. Keep watching those sales. Carolyn Petzold

MARCH 2012 MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Michael Petzold	
General Fund	\$160.00
To be designated by family	10.00
IN MEMORY OF Raymond III	
General Fund	\$385.00
Building Fund	185.00
To be designated by Memorial Committee	20.00
St. Paul School Library	20.00
St. Paul School Athletics	110.00
IN HONOR OF Lela Higgins 85 th Birthday	
General Fund	\$50.00
IN MEMORY OF Grace Hebner	
St. Paul Handbells	\$10.00
IN THANKSGIVING to God for our Senior Choir and Mrs. Walter	
General Fund	\$580.00

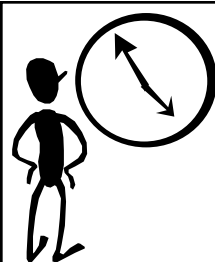
Don Haines Memorial Scholarship

Don Haines, lifelong resident of Arbel Township, bestowed a positive influence on his family to pursue their dreams by committing to and reinforcing the importance of a college education. Therefore, it is fitting that a fund has been established by the family for future St. Paul graduates who pursue a degree at an accredited LCMS synodical college, university, or seminary. Any student who qualifies may read the requirements needed to apply. Applications are available in the church office and are due by May 1, 2012.

Thank You

THANK YOU to everyone who attended and helped at the annual fish fry. We had a good turnout despite the weather and road conditions. Special thanks to: Rosati's Marketplace and Gailan Reinert, I & J Wolverton and Janice Schiefer, Dwight Keinath, Sonny and Diane Bishop, Bill Weber, Amy Baldwin, Stacey Force and Pam Maas (our new church financial director), the boy's intramural basketball team, the men, women, and youth that helped at the dinner and made desserts.

God's Blessings, The Board of Youth and Fellowship



Daylight Savings Time

March 11th

**Remember to set your
clocks forward!**



March Schedule



Acolytes

3 rd	7:30PM	Danielle DeOrnellas & Dennis
4 th	8:30AM	Tim Singer & Kent or Aaron
4 th	11AM	Malachi Hecht & Gary
7 th Lent	4PM	Aaron Knoll
7 th Lent	7PM	
10 th	7:30PM	Ericka White
11 th	8:30AM	
11 th	11AM	Eddie Meeks & Eddie
14 th Lent	4PM	Justin Allen
14 th Lent	7PM	
17 th	7:30PM	Alyssa Okorowski & Dustin Sebert
18 th	8:30AM	Justin Allen
18 th	11AM	Shane & Owen Reinig
21 st Lent	4PM	Jakob Selich & Christian
21 st Lent	7PM	
24 th	7:30PM	Mason Lugg
25 th	8:30AM	Aaron Singer & Kent or Tim
25 th	11AM	Lillie Flach
28 th Lent	4PM	Alandra Colman
28 th Lent	7PM	
31 st	7:30PM	

Greeters	First Sunday	8:30AM	Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy III
		11:00AM	Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims
	Second Sunday	8:30AM	Russell & Sherry III & Rachel III
		11:00AM	LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel
	Third Sunday	8:30AM	Dianne Scarborough, Natalie Smith
		11:00AM	Rosie Horning, Dale & Pam Hanlin
	Fourth Sunday	8:30AM	Jim Bickel
	11:00AM	Evelyn Gregory, Anna Tuttle, Cheri Sutherland	
Fifth Sunday	8:30AM	Donna Torrey	
	11:00AM	Steve & Nila Schmandt	
Second Saturday	7:30PM	Bill Bleuer & Betty Bleuer	
	Greeter Subs – Denise Miller (871-2675), Sherry Sebert (871-3084)		

Ushers	Team B		
	7:30PM	Larry Beagle, Captain Jan Snyder, Jim Jaruzel, Ed Keinath	
	8:30AM	Dennis Rodammer - Captain; Dwight Keinath - Assistant Michael Albert, Ken Auernhammer, Corey Harry, Jason Ide, Mitchel III, Russell III, Ryan III, Luke Platt, Eugene Weiss, Bud Zeck, Mike Ziegler	
	11:00AM	Richard Harpst - Captain; Jay Rodammer - Assistant Heath Keinath, Andrew Maschke, John Petzold, Hans Schmandt, Michael Sherman, Rick Sherman, Adam Wolverton, Randy Wolverton	

Church Sextons		Altar Guild	7:30PM	Lillian Sergent
Rodger & Judy Grulke	Elmer Snover		8:30AM	Mary White
Ron & Ruth Mieske	Ted & Katrina Wager		11AM	Lisa Rodammer
Ed & Marcia Keinath	Rod & Nancy Wilson			



March Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



Kyle Badgley	3/1	Austin Kirby	3/11	Wayne Petzold	3/20	Howard Hergenreder	3/30
Shelby Dues	3/1	Barbara Mohr	3/11	Kim Reinert	3/20	Susan Jensen	3/30
Connor Jones	3/1	Joseph Kidd	3/12	Hope Wood	3/20	Karlie Sherman	3/30
Robert Loomis	3/1	James Smith	3/12	Carla Jackson	3/21	Olivia Zeck	3/30
Shelby Wood	3/1	Christa Evans	3/13	Kathirin Lich	3/21	Shannon Bonadurer	3/31
Eleanor Ayotte	3/2	Alyshia Fyke-Jolly	3/13	Tyler Ramsey	3/21	Nicole Brown	3/31
Melissa Detgen	3/2	Anthony Huber	3/13	Sonja Russell	3/21	Mary Haines	3/31
Valerie Petzold	3/2	Viola Hunt	3/13	Robert Bastian	3/22	Cynthia Huber	3/31
Courteney Porter	3/2	Ebin Petiprin	3/13	Xachary Carlyon	3/22	Peter ILL	3/31
Garth Brown	3/3	David Daenzer	3/14	Ryan Detgen	3/22	Daniel Pobocik	3/31
Gerald Koeltzow	3/3	Sue Fabbro	3/14	Leigha Metro	3/22		
Alton Pederson	3/3	Edward Keinath	3/14	David Sebert	3/22		
Danielle Weber	3/3	Henry Mohr	3/14	John Ball	3/23		
Nancy Brown	3/4	Jeremy Petzold	3/14	Lindsey Derscha	3/23		
Trenton Damm	3/4	Timothy Schultz	3/14	Jacquelyn Petzold	3/23		
Ottilie ILL	3/4	Dorothy Simmons	3/14	Timm Ames	3/24		
Shannon Jones	3/4	Ilene Weber	3/14	Shannon Guelette	3/24		
Jaymie Rousseau	3/4	Alexander Babcock	3/15	Lorine Petzold	3/24		
Daniel Wagle	3/4	Lucas Babcock	3/15	Vicki Petzold	3/24		
Edna Weiss	3/4	Olivia Bailey	3/15	Thomas Schiefer	3/24		
Jamie Brandle	3/5	Garrison Hecht	3/15	Lyla Wagner	3/24		
Jason Germain	3/5	Malachi Hecht	3/15	David Bouck	3/25		
Michelle Russell	3/5	ReAnna Hecht	3/15	Cameron Dues	3/25		
Sarah Simmons	3/5	Bradley Skank	3/15	Brian Glady	3/25		
Zachary Aulbert	3/6	Danielle Skank	3/15	Randy Graham	3/25		
Yvonne Bishop	3/6	Kim Smith	3/15	Travis Opperman	3/25		
Sophia Licavoli	3/6	Aimee Whittaker	3/15	Barbara Sergent	3/25		
Jan Snyder	3/6	Katelynn Brady	3/16	Connie Hoard	3/26		
Eric Stewart	3/6	Alicia Ide	3/16	Charles Kroll	3/26		
Emily Albert	3/7	Robert Osborn	3/16	Jeanette Petzold	3/26		
Diane Foley	3/7	Shane Pease	3/16	Rudolf Petzold	3/26		
Ryan Petzold	3/7	Ilse Coleman	3/17	Jeffrey Raymond	3/26		
Rhonda Roth	3/7	Arlene Hohman	3/17	Daryl Schiefer	3/26		
Andrew Hoard	3/8	Gloria Rodammer	3/17	Anessa Todd	3/26		
Monica Lewis	3/8	Lloyd Walz	3/17	Caleb Allard	3/27		
Teri Petzold	3/8	Guage Woelzlein	3/17	Cindy Davis	3/27		
Ryan Roth	3/8	Robert Aulbert	3/18	Marion Detgen	3/27		
Anthony Sherman	3/8	Faylene Bretzloff	3/18	Caleb Frahm	3/27		
Woodrow Wates	3/8	James Henderson Jr.	3/18	Sheila Hebner	3/27		
Ashley Jensen	3/9	Dorothy Platt	3/18	Debra Hodge	3/27		
Joel Keinath	3/9	Matthew Reinert	3/18	Christopher Morrow	3/27		
Katelyn Sasser	3/9	Sid Werner	3/18	William Weber	3/27		
Vickie Albert	3/10	Emma Beckrow	3/19	Kirk Abatelli	3/28		
Jessica Cunningham	3/10	Daniel Erickson	3/19	Joseph Mallard Jr.	3/28		
Michael Hoard	3/10	Charlie Ferrier	3/19	Zachary Petzold	3/28		
Todd Keinath	3/10	Jeffrey Hecht	3/19	Cami Polzin	3/28		
Patricia O'Dell	3/10	Chase Howay	3/19	Mitchell Ehrhardt	3/29		
Serena Petzold	3/10	Russell ILL	3/19	Jason Loomis	3/29		
Kristy Sherman	3/10	Amber Roth	3/19	Peggy Maschke	3/29		
Jason Titsworth	3/10	Nicholas Sohmer	3/19	Kristyn O'Connor	3/29		
Barbara Bassett	3/11	Misty Sutton	3/19	Derek Bassett	3/30		
Jim Force	3/11	Laura Glynn	3/20	Danion Brow	3/30		
Karen Graham	3/11	Scott Jones	3/20	Aly Compaore	3/30		
Mildred Keinath	3/11	Ruth Mieske	3/20	Megan Edler	3/30		



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Miscellaneous / Area News

Quilting

Every Tuesday from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall.

Quilting at St. Paul is a heartwarming and worthwhile project. Many people are involved, donating time and talents. Please remember this project and donate your used or new items to our group.

Last fall we were able to donate over 250 quilts. About 20 ladies helped to make almost 200 World Relief quilts, 15 new quilts for the Giving Tree, 25 quilts for the Dorcas Bazaar, and some for needy families through the year.

All of this is only possible with the generous donations of so many people. We continue to collect: new material of any size, thread—any color, new or old sheets & pillow cases, table cloths, mattress pads, light-weight blankets, or other large items that could be used. We also need jeans for our famous jean quilts. Donations can be brought to the school office or placed in our closet in the Parish Hall. If you have questions, please call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Anyone is welcome in this group. No experience is needed!! Each week (Sept.—May) a small group of about 5-10 ladies join in the Parish Hall. We cut material into squares, "Put together" quilts for World Relief, or "tie quilts off" on the racks. Some ladies cut or sew at home and donate their quilt tops or entire quilts. Help is needed at school or at home. Please call or just come in on Tuesday. Most of our quilt tops are made of material cut into squares. World Relief quilts are mostly used materials, while needy and Bazaar quilts are made with new material and sheets. We also take orders for private sales throughout the year.

God has truly blessed us through this project. We are thankful to be able to help those in need. I have personally grown very close with my quilting friends. I have taken my limited knowledge of sewing and learned so much from these kind ladies. I am blessed to call them friends. I hope you consider joining us . . . allow God to use you even in a small way!! Thank you to all who help us help others.

Please remember us as you clean your closets this spring. Pass the word to family and friends about our needed items. Feel free to call with any questions 989-205-9873.

Messenger Sponsors

Sponsors needed for May, June, August, September, October, and November. Mailings cost \$120.00 a month. Call the church office to reserve a month.

Millington High School Honor Roll

All A's

Jessica Allen
Kelli Crittenden
Ashley Jensen
Colin Meacham
Brittany Nelson
Alexandria Sergent
Hannah Sergent
Brienne Wolfer
Shelby Wood
Olivia Zeck

B or Better

Cody Goodhue
Nicholas Harsen
Raeann Henderson
Rachel Jensen
Jason Keinath
Nicholas Maschke
Kourtney Piar
Amanda Stohon

Did you know...

That Church Extension Fund provides loans throughout the Michigan District at a rate less than what most banks charge their best commercial borrowers?



That you can open a Church Extension Fund account with as little as \$5.00, including all types of IRA's?

That you will receive more information about Church Extension investments by call 800-242-3944 or visit their web site, www.mi-cef.org.

Area News

Antique Show Sat., Mar. 3rd from 9AM-4PM at Valley Lutheran High School. Admission: \$3 – includes two free verbal appraisals. Bake Sale at 9AM, Luncheon 11AM-1:30PM.

Noah's Cove presents: VeggieTales "Robin Good" Sat., Mar. 3rd at 10 & 11:30AM at Cinema Hollywood, Birch Run. Admission: \$1.00.

Best of Puppets Dinner Theater presented by St. Lorenz Puppen fur Christus Sat., Mar. 3rd at 6PM in the St. Lorenz Gym. \$10 per adult or \$20 per family. RSVP 652-0773.

Christian Concert by the Jason Eaton Band Fri., Mar. 9th at 7PM at St. Michael's Lutheran School, Richville. Advance tickets: \$8 each or \$25 for family; At the door: \$10 each or \$30 for family. Call 989-550-5355 or email st.michaelsPTL@gmail.com for tickets.

Girls of Grace presents "God with Us" March 17th & 18th at 3PM at the Saginaw Temple Theatre. This is their 7th annual worship concert featuring dance, drama, personal testimonies and media presentations. For tickets call 989-754-7469.

Saginaw Sting Indoor Football "Faith & Family Night" Sun., Mar. 25th at the Dow Event Center. Tickets are \$6 each with a minimum order of 10 or more. This includes a pre-game party, the game, and post game Christian bands. Orders need to be placed by Thurs., Mar. 15th. Forms available in the school office.

Fish Fry All You Can Eat Fri., Mar. 30th from 11AM-7PM at Trinity-St. James, Munger. Adults: \$11.00, Children 6-12: \$5.00. Fried Perch & Cod, Baked Cod, Baked Potato, German Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Macaroni & Cheese, Desserts and More.



Youth News

412 Youth Ministry March Events

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." 1st Timothy 4:12

S.T.A.T.I.C. High School Ministry

Sunday, March 4th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Topic: A Reflection on Whitney Houston

The tragedy of Whitney Houston's death is a serious reminder that the enemy is out to destroy us, but we can take heart in the fact that our Father is there in our storms, and we must never forget that.

Sunday, March 11th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Topic: Usher, Augustine, Jesus and You

Without God we are restless and empty because of the hole in our soul that can only be filled when we trust Christ.

Sunday, March 18th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Topic: Stronger-What Doesn't Kill You

The loss of a relationship doesn't have to be the death of us. We can use that difficult circumstance to grow even stronger.

E.D.G.E. Jr. High Ministry

Sunday, March 11th 4-6pm

Youth Night

Topic: New Challenges & New Opportunities

We face new challenges every day, in grade school, as we go into high school, college, and then into the working world. God will give us the gift of His presence and various tools to address these challenges.

Sunday, March 25th 6:30-8:30pm

Nerf Wars! ALL YOUTH 6th-12th grade!

Join us as you take on the Nerf War course in the Activity Center!

St. Paul Lutheran School

March 2012

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praise worthy – think about such things!"

Philippians 4:8

Welcome to the month of March. We begin the month with the week long celebration of *National Lutheran Schools Week March 4th - 9th*. There are special activities happening every day during the week. Here is a quick run-down of the events.

Sunday: Kindergarten -8th grades sing in church- choose your service, Sunday Best Day

Monday: Pancake Breakfast for the students (the teachers make breakfast), Pajama Day

Tuesday: SVSU All Lutheran Schools Gathering / School Theme Shirt Day

Wednesday: Chapel, Read Around Day/ Storybook Character Day

Thursday: Class color Day, Wacky Olympics

Friday: Movie Day: there will be a different movie showing in each room, Decade Day. Concessions will be sold by the 7th grade class to help with next year's Washington, D.C.

The school office will have a complete listing of events. If you would like to help with any of the activities, watch a class on Pancake Breakfast Day or just celebrate Lutheran Schools Week with us, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Bible verses for the month are:

2/26-3/3	Psalm 12:8
3/5-10	I Cor. 14:12
3/11-17	Titus 3:8
3/18-24	II Cor. 8:7
3/25-31	I Tim. 3:13



Special events for St. Paul Lutheran School in March are:



School Theme Shirt Day	March 1
P.T.L. Preschool-Kindergarten	
Dance	March 2
Lutheran Schools Week	March 4-9
All Lutheran School Gathering	March 6
P.T.L. 1 st -8 th Grade Dance	March 9
Scholastic Book Fair	March 7 & 11
Kindergarten Round-up	March 13
Parent Facebook Awareness	March 19
IOWA Testing K-8	March 19-23
½ day of class; End of Quarter	March 23

March Sports

Thank you to all of the coaches, players and fans for the A-Team basketball seasons.

Girl's & Boy's C-team Basketball

The girls play first at 9 a.m. followed by the boys at 10:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

March 3 at home with Trinity (girls) & Bethlehem (boys)

March 10 at Peace, Saginaw

March 17 at home with Bethlehem

March 24 at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth


































The Athletic Department is looking for assistant track coaches for this spring. Please contact Mr. Craig Stiff if you are interested.

School Music Opportunities

Mar. 4	K → 8 th grade	choose service
Mar. 7	Cantate Choir	4:00 p.m.
Mar. 11	Jr. Bells	11:00 a.m.
Mar. 14	Cherub Choir	4:00 p.m.
Mar. 25	K → 8 th grade	8:30 a.m.

We also participate in a program with Kroger receiving 5% of your purchase with a Kroger card. Scrip is available in the school office. See the school office for all of the special programs that we participate in.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>**Notes** 9:45AM Bible Study Sunday School Adult Instruction Class</p>				<p>1  6:15PM Praise Team</p>	<p>2 St. Paul hosts Breakfast Club at MHS 3-7PM Fish Fry (Take Out Only)</p>	<p>3 7:30AM Men's Bible Study  7:30PM Worship</p>
<p>4 <i>Lutheran School's Week</i>  8:30AM Worship+C <i>Grades K-8</i> 9:45AM Staff Anniversary Recognition Brass Practice Sunday School  11AM Worship <i>Grades K-8</i> 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth</p>	<p>5 6PM Board of Education  7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation</p>	<p>6 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM Heroes 7:30PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>7 9-11AM Storyhour  4PM Worship <i>Cantate</i> 5-6:30PM Soup Supper  7PM Worship 8PM Council</p>	<p>8  6:15PM Praise Team</p>	<p>9 3-7PM Fish Fry (Take Out Only)</p>	<p>10 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking  7:30PM Worship +C</p>
<p>11  8:30AM Worship <i>Church Choir</i> *9:45AM See Notes Brass Practice  11AM Worship +C <i>Jr. Bells</i> 4-6PM Jr. Youth 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth</p>	<p>12  7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation 7PM Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>13 <i>Kindergarten Round Up</i> 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>14 9-11AM Storyhour  4PM Worship <i>Cherub</i> 5-6:30PM Soup Supper  6PM Choir  7PM Worship</p>	<p>15  6:15PM Praise Team</p>	<p>16 3-7PM Fish Fry (Take Out Only)</p>	<p>17  7:30PM Worship</p>
<p>18  8:30AM Worship+C <i>Women's Choir</i> *9:45AM See Notes  11AM Worship Contemporary 12:30-4PM Benefit Dinner for Karen Petzold 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth</p>	<p>19 <i>Messenger Deadline</i>  7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation</p>	<p>20 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 6:30PM Dorcas 7:30PM Heroes 7:30PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>21 9-11AM Storyhour  4PM Worship <i>Men's Choir</i> 5-6:30PM Soup Supper  6PM Choir  7PM Worship <i>Men's Choir</i></p>	<p>22  6:15PM Praise Team</p>	<p>23 ½ Day School 3-7PM Fish Fry (Take Out Only)</p>	<p>24  7:30PM Worship +C</p>
<p>25  8:30AM Worship <i>K-8</i> 9:30AM Christian Care *9:45AM See Notes  11AM Worship +C Contemporary <i>Handbells</i> 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth</p>	<p>26  7PM Handbells 7PM Public School Confirmation 7PM Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>27 9-11AM Storyhour 1-3PM Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>28 9-11AM Storyhour  4PM Worship 5-6:30PM Soup Supper  6PM Choir  7PM Worship 8PM Elders</p>	<p>29  6:15PM Praise Team</p>	<p>30 3-7PM Fish Fry (Take Out Only)</p>	<p>31 11AM Easter Egg Hunt  7:30PM Worship</p>