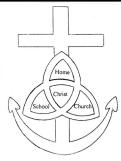
# ST. PAUL EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

# June 2025



Building Relationships in Christ

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In person at 6:00pm Saturday or 9:00am Sunday



#### OR

FacebookLive At 9:00 am

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WRHL Radio 1060AM At 10:00 am Or 93.5 FM

#### TWO YEARS IN

It was two years ago that I first stepped into the pulpit at St. Paul Lutheran Church. I have seen some changes in the last two years in my personal life. I celebrated 35 years in ministry and the birth of my first grandson. I have seen some difficulties as well with my health. I am now on home hemodialysis. I do my treatments at home which is easier than going to the clinic. I have celebrated confirming two Jr. High confirmation classes and some adult classes as well. I have had the new challenge of serving a church with a day school. I have been blessed in the last two years to serve St. Paul Lutheran Church and School. I am excited about the future here for all of you.

However, the work of the church is still the same as it was at the beginning on Pentecost. The message of the church is the same as in St. Peter's first sermon in Acts 2:36-37, "Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified. Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." In every generation God has lifted up men to be pastors in the church and men and women to work with the pastor in the ministry of the church. This is still the case here in our church today.

Peter also wrote in 1 Peter 2:9-10. "But you are a chosen race, a royal priest-hood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." All of us have been led out of the darkness of this world into the Light of the world, Jesus Christ, by the Holy Spirit in His Word and Sacrament. If our church and school are to thrive then we all must play our part. We need help with the work of our different boards and activities like VBS. Let your light shine brighter than ever before and no matter the challenges the next year brings we will be ready for them.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Michael D. Wolff



#### **Special Congregation Meeting**

At last Sunday's special congregation meeting it was voted to proceed with air conditioning the sanctuary. During the course of the meeting, the congregation questioned the additional air-conditioning of the overflow room and the three offices and what the additional cost would be. A committee is working on prospective funding and the physical equipment requirements needed. Another special congregation meeting is scheduled for <u>June 8</u> after our service to consider the additional air-conditioning and to vote on whether we proceed with the additional project.



May 18<sup>th</sup> 2025 was a momentous day for our congregation. At worship services Sunday morning we celebrated the birthday of Dale Svela who turned 100 years old on this date. At that same service we also rejoiced in the birth of Cheston Casey the newborn son of Michael and Lauren Casey. Cheston was born on May 9<sup>th</sup> of this year. It was the oldest and the youngest members of our congregation together at the same time for the first time. What a joy for us all.

Later the same day we applauded the graduation of 18 of our Day School students. I am told that this is one of the larger classes that we have sent off to high school. I pray that we have prepared them well to go forward into an increasing secular world.

What a blessing that we have been given. We celebrated a member that was 100 years old, a child that was 9 days old and the sending forth of 18 Christian children. Not bad for a congregation of 128 years. It is proof that our Lord continues to bless us throughout all of our days.

Bob Mortimer 312 316 6519

#### **MONTHLY MISSION OFFERING**

# Mission Central—Mapleton, Iowa

Mission offering weekend June 21 & 22.

Mission Central — a cluster of farm buildings in Mapleton, Iowa, that became a miraculous, "not normal" place in the middle of nowhere.

When the Synod in convention approved a massive restructuring of the LCMS in 2010, the entity known as LCMS World Mission was dissolved, and the Board for Mission Services ended.

In its place, the Office of International Mission and the Office of National Mission assumed responsibility for our Synod's work to share the Good News and make disciples of Jesus for life. That is our **one** mission as His disciples!

But buildings and structures aren't what matter; it has always been the people who make Mission Central what it has become. Volunteers and contributors, friends and missionaries, congregations and church groups — all of these are "not normal" by the world's standards.

Today, Mission Central is a vital extension of the work and service delegated by the Synod to LCMS Mission Advancement.

Mission Central focuses on personally connecting individuals, families, groups, organizations and congregations with LCMS called or appointed missionaries and mission projects, as well as district-coordinated mission initiatives.

As a result, Mission Central embodies the largest mission network providing support to our Synod's international and national mission teams.

As a strategic, integrated extension of LCMS Mission Advancement, Mission Central continues to

be a blessing to so many — and in so many ways! Visit Mission Central's website — <u>mis-</u> <u>sioncentral.us</u>

Marcy took a group of our seniors and a group from Genoa and Sycamore to Mission Central in August of 2011.



#### Thank You

To the members of St. Paul. Thank you so much for the cards, prayers, and support during my recent surgery and recovery. Your thoughtfulness meant so much to me and my family.

Lee Metzger

The staff and board of HOPE of Ogle County thank you for your support of survivors of domestic abuse. You generous monetary donation of \$135 is greatly appreciated. Community support such as yours makes it possible for us to provide necessary services that will help our clients and their children have a brighter and safter future. Rebecca Laudati– Executive Director



#### A FATHER'S INSTRUCTION

Although babies don't come with instructions, God tells parents how to raise their children.

Directions: Fill in the blanks with letters, using the number grid to find the correct coordinates. The first number goes across, the second one goes down.

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Ephesians 6:4, NIV

### WORSHIP THIS MONTH

#### **LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES**

WRHL 1060 AM—7:30am Sundays

June 1	"God's Gumbo"
June 8	"Ticket Stubs Turned to Joy"
June 15	"Nothing He'd Rather Be Doing"
June 22	"Should I Be Worried About the Devil?"
June 29	TBA

Join us for our 9:00am Sunday service or listen to our broadcast on WRHL(1060AM) or (93.5 FM) at 10a.m. It is also on Facebook Live at 9:00am.

## **Worship Anew**

Comcast channel 138 on TLN—11:30am Sundays

June 1	"Why Did He Leave?"
June 8	"Reason to Celebrate"
June 15	Surprised by the Trinity"
June 22	"Adopted by God"
June 29	"The Heavenward Walk"

# St. Paul Lutheran School Alumni We Want to Hear from You!



We're collecting alumni information to share updates and celebrate the successes of our school community. If you're a St. Paul Lutheran alumnus, please take a moment to fill out your details on our website:

www.stpaulrochelleil.org/alumni
We also encourage you to share this
link with other alumni you know.

# The Parish Nurse's Notes:

Dear St. Paul Family and Friends,

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body. Proverbs 16:24

One of the many national health observations for the month of June is "Brain Awareness". At any age it is important to protect the health and wellness of or brain. There are some things we can do to reduce the risk of cognitive and emotional decline often



associated with Alzheimer's Disease and other dementias. This health letter is specific to adult health, but similar guidelines are also important for children and youth.

The following six specific guidelines are important for health of the brain and general wellness.

Stay active: Increased activity increases blood flow—including blood flow to the brain. This will increase your mood, sharpen your focus, decrease stress, and improve sleep. Find something you enjoy, and you will be more apt to continue doing it. Adults should have 150 minutes a week of moderate aerobic exercise and include muscle strengthening twice a week. The older you are the more important it is to include things that improve balance.

Eat well: The "My Plate" guide suggests 4 sections on your plate of fairly equal size for fruit, vegetables, grain, and protein. In addition, include dairy for either a beverage or dessert.

Manage other health including blood pressure, diabetes, and heart issues. The normal blood pressure is 120/8; phase I hypertension begins at 139/89. A normal fasting blood sugar is between 80-120; normal blood sugar at bedtime is 100-140.

Activities that challenge the mind: Cognitive stimulation from various kinds of puzzles are helpful. (Home Touch is distributed to our homebound and nursing home residents for healthy diversion and cognitive stimulation.)

Sleep well: Adults should have at least 7 hours of sleep. Establishing regular bedtime hours is helpful.

Source: https://americanbraincoalition.org

If you have further questions about brain awareness or dementia, please feel free to contact me in the parish nurse office.

Marcia (Marcy) Schnorr, EdD, RN-BC (DCM-Parish Nursing)

Parish Nurse Office Hours remain 8:00-11:30 Monday through Friday unless otherwise noted. There will be no office hours on June 17<sup>th</sup> due to a district parish nurse meeting at LLC headquarters in Northbrook.

vBS for Seniors will be June 2-6 in the fellowship area behind the sanctuary from 9:15 to 11:30. Marcy will facilitate the program based on the book, *Equipped*, by Christopher M. Kennedy (CPH). This book focuses on the armor



of God for everyday struggles. Like any VBS, each class will include Bible study, music, a project, Christian fellowship, and snacks. OK Club lunch will be served on Friday immediately after class. There is no charge. Participants can come for individual days or the entire week. Plan to attend and invite someone to come with you. Registration will be appreciated to ensure adequate supplies. Contact Marcy in the parish nurse office for more information or to register.

**Parish Nurse Team Meeting** will be Saturday, June 7 at 9am.

The Board for Health and Human Care will meet Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.

The "1st Thursday Outreach to Senior Living Sites" will be Thursday, June 12th instead of the usual date due to senior VBS. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Marcy.



Senior Special for June will be on Friday, June 13th at 10am NOTE date change due to VBS. Marcy will provide

an overview of a parish nursing/health ministry outreach to Ethiopia being planned by Master Builders, Lutheran Church Charities, and NID Parish Nurse Network. Marcy is coordinating the parish nurse participation. There are opportunities for serving from the comfort of your own home—or possibly an in- person experience in Ethiopia. Light refreshments will be served.

**Senior Supper Club** will meet Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at No Prep Tacos (formerly the Klondike - Kitchen Table). A short topical Bible study, reminiscing about our fathers, and general table talk will be the diversion. If you wish to participate, please contact Dave Stewart at 815-973-4938.

Thursday Worship and Fellowship will be Thursday, June 26 at 2pm. This service is especially planned for persons whose health concerns make it difficult to attend the regular week-end worship services. Pastor Wolff will provide an abbreviated worship service with communion and a time for fellowship follows. Marcy or her designee will be available to assist with any needs that may arise.

**OK Club** will meet on Friday, June 27 at noon at McDonald's (on 251) A mini-Bible study, a simple summer game, and table talk will be the diversion. If you wish to attend, please contact Evelyn Hintzsche at 815-562-4668.

Do you enjoy sewing? If so, Marcy is looking for someone willing to sew several pockets for small tissue packs. These will be used for "Tissues for People with



Issues" as a simple act of kindness as we serve people with various needs. A pattern will be provided. Even if you cannot help with the sewing, if you have scraps of cotton or similar fabric that would easily cover a "pocket size" pack of tissues, donations of material will be appreciated.

# Thoughts for Father's Day



A careful man I ought to be; a little fellow follows me; I do not dare to go astray, for fear he'll go the self-same way.

I cannot once escape his eyes; whate'er he sees me do, he tries — Like me, he says, he's going to be, the little chap who follows me.

He thinks that I am good and fine, believes in every word of mine: The base in me he must not see, the little chap who follows me.

I must remember as I go, through summer's sun and winter's snow,

I'm building for the years to be, for a little fellow follows me.

—Author unknown



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# St. Paul Lutheran School

"Putting Faith in Education"



## Thoughts from the Principal...

Another school year has come and gone.

I truly cannot believe how quickly time goes by. A school year flies by, but more personally, thirtynine school years have flown by as well. I remember my first teaching job at Emmaus Lutheran School in Indianapolis, Indiana. I was twenty-two years old and fresh out of school. They threw me into a class of eighteen 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders and said, "Good Luck!"

I lasted three months.

But, I obviously was able to pick myself up and brush myself off and get back on the horse. Thirty -nine years later I wonder where the time went. But one thing I don't wonder about-serving God as a professional career is a blessing. Being able to teach kids in a Christ-centered environment is a privilege, but also a huge responsibility. I am grateful that God chose me to do this and has blessed me so greatly.

Ministry can be tough. But God is tougher. And ministry is more vital in this world today than ever before. I pray that there are young people who feel the calling to carry the torch and get involved in professional church ministry. We need workers in the vineyard.

May God continue to bless the ministries of LCMS churches and schools around the world. And may the spirit move young people to become part of making disciples of all nations.

Always Serving Him, Steve Hall; Principal





Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 31 (note date change) for the St. Paul Fellowship Golf Outing at Fairways Golf Course. Fliers will be available in early June. Check our web-

site, the back of the church, or the church and school offices.

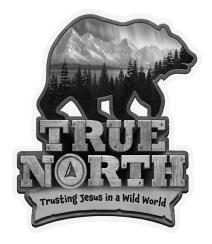
I like to remind everyone of Frieda Pickreign/Jane Reineck Pickreign Fund, and the on-going need for funding. Many of our families make use of these funds to be able to send their children to our school. This fund relies on donations to be able to provide these scholarships. Please consider a donation to this vital program. Contact Mr. Hall if you have any questions.



A huge THANK YOU to the members of St. Paul Lutheran Church for their sacrificial support of our school. You are a blessing to our church and our Lord.

Godspeed to our departing teachers: Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Sonntag, (They are going to be stay at home moms) and to Peggy Bialas, who is retiring after twenty-three years at St. Paul. We will miss them!!!!





# Registration Form St. Paul Lutheran Church VBS June 2<sup>nd</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup> 9-11:30 am

# Entering Grade \*Pre-K 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Name:	
Age:	Grade Entering:
Parent/Guardian Name	e:
Phone Number:	
In case of emergency, co	ntact:(name & phone number)
Allergies or other medic	al conditions:
7	Furn into Church/School Office or Students Classroom Teacher

\*Must be fully potty trained

Questions? Email Toni Rowley at tonijrowley@gmail.com





# The first day of vacation Bible school

One summer afternoon, a grandfather picked up his 4-year-old grandson at church. "Well, Jason, how did you like your first day of vacation Bible school?"

"It was great!" the boy replied. "We heard some stories and drew some pictures. Then we went out to play, and when we came back in God had juice and cookies waiting for us!"

## Inreach/Outreach Board

# Rummage Sale in July

Clean out your closets and garages.

We will have TWO Big Weekends in July,. We will sell your donations from the St. Paul Gymnasium.



Donation days will be:

<u>June 26, July I & 3 & 8</u> 10am to 4pm

Sale days will be:

July 10, 11 & 12 and July 17, 18 & 19

Thursday & Friday 9am— 4:30 pm Saturday 9am—Noon

Bake Sale and Garden Vegetables will also be available.

Let's get EVERYONE involved in this big event.



#### **VBS**

Look forward to Vacation Bible School on June 2-6. 9:30-11:30 for kids entering PK-4—5th grade. Free!

#### **True North**

(Trusting Jesus in a Wild World)

Our kids are going on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As kids

trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Kids will learn how to point to Jesus, a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!

Awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Games! Bible songs! Tasty treats!

Register on the St Paul Lutheran Church Facebook page or with a sheet available on the table in the Narthex.

Older kids? They can attend too as helpers (Contact VBS Leader <u>Toni Rowley</u>).

VRS Donations: To help us offer VRS at no cost to campers we're accepting donations for a wide varie-

## June 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Worship w/Comm 10:00am Bible Class	2 9:15am - 11:30am Sr Vacation Bible School 9:30am - 11:30am True North - Vacation Bible School 5:30pm Dayschool Board	7:00am Men's Bible Breakfast @ Sunrise 9:15am - 11:30am Sr Vacation Bible School 9:30am - 11:30am True North - Vacation Bible School 6:00pm Inreach/Outreach	North - Vacation Bible	5 9:15am - 11:30am Sr Vacation Bible School 9:30am - 11:30am True North - Vacation Bible School	9:30am - 11:30am True	7 9:00am Parish Nurse Team 6:00pm Contemporary Worship w/ Communion
8 9:00am Worship 10:00am Special Congregation Meeting Additional A/C	9 4:30pm Board of Health & Human Care 5:30pm Elders	10 7:00am Men's Bible Breakfast @ Sunrise 11:30am Hannah- Tabitha Circle @ Blackstone 6:30pm WOW Bible Study	11 9:45am Women's Bible Studies	12 Outreach to Local Sr Living Sites 3:30pm Esther-Naomi Circle	13 10:00am Senior Special - Ethiopia Outreach	14 6:00pm Worship
15 Newsletter Deadline 9:00am Worship w/Comm 10:00am Bible Class	16 6:00pm Church Council	17 NO Parish Nurse Hours 7:00am Men's Bible Breakfast @ Sunrise	18 9:45am Women's Bible Studies	19	20 5:30pm Sr Supper Club @ No Prep Tacos	21 Monthly Mission Offering - Mission Central 6:00pm Contemporary Worship w/Comm
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## **JOIN US!**

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#### OR

9:00 am Facebook Live - St. Paul Lutheran Church Page

#### OR

10:00 am on WRHL Radio 1060AM or 93.5 FM

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