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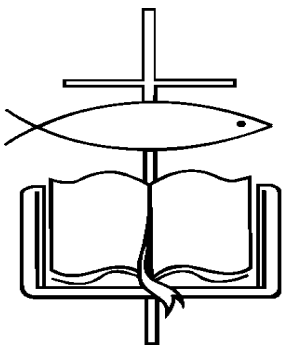


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*A CONGREGATION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
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THE CORNERSTONE NEWS

*TO BE A PRESENCE OF CHRIST TO ONE ANOTHER IN OUR COMMUNITY AND FOR THE
WORLD AS WE SHARE GOD'S UNCONDITIONAL LOVE THAT ACCEPTS YOU AS YOU ARE*

May 2017

Staff:

Pastor:
Viviane Thomas-Breitfeld

Secretary:
Carol MacKechnie

Custodian:
Chet Organ

Music/Choir Director:
Tyler Pimm



Sunday Worship Schedule:

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service
with Holy Communion**
- 9:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship**
- 9:15 a.m. Believer's Club
Sunday School
(September – May)**
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
with Holy Communion**
- 11:45 a.m. San Jose Worship
Service**

St. Paul Lutheran Church Council Members

President:	Ken Harris	608-365-6871
Vice President:	Judy Markee	608-362-4071
Secretary:	Sharyn Pann	608-361-0754
Treasurer:	Roger Neitzel	608-362-8324
Financial Secretary:	Chuck Hughes	608-207-3103
Worship & Music:	Dave Knutson	608-365-2430
Youth:	Jenn Murry	608-718-1333
Parish Education:	Karen Saudargas	815-957-0588

**Men's
Breakfast**
May 18, 8:00 am



**Beloit
Family
Restaurant**

REMINDER: We welcome submissions to the Newsletter by the 20th of the month.

Bible Studies for Women of the Church



Ruth Circle

Monday, May 8, 1:00 pm Gathering Rm.

Sarah Circle

Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 am Gathering Rm.

Miriam Circle

Thursday, May 18, 1:00 pm Gathering Rm.

Soup Lunch at St. Paul

Each Wednesday, 12:00

Menu

3 Shirley's Chunky Soup

10 Beef Barley Soup

17 Scalloped Potatoes & Ham

24 Hot Dogs

31 Chicken
Noodle Soup



CARITAS

Have you remembered Caritas in your weekly shopping trips?

St. Paul is responsible for supplying the personal care section, which includes deodorant, toothpaste, toiletries, etc.

DONATION NEEDS LIST

Non Perishable Food Items

**Clothing: Any type of Bedding, Towels,
Infant Clothing up to 4T**

Personal Products: Bar Soap, Deodorant,

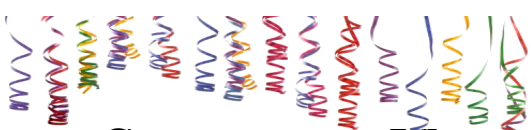
Feminine Hygiene Products,

DIAPERS - Newborn to size 6 , Baby Wipes



You can place your items in the little red wagon near the elevator.

Thank you for all of your donations.



St. Paul Lutheran Church May Celebrations!

Sun

Mon


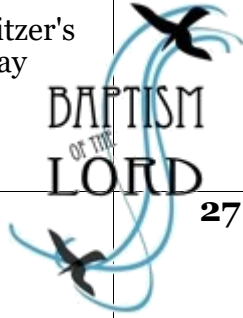

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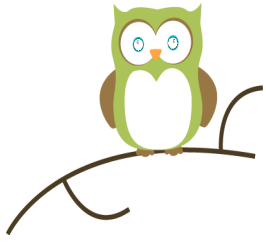
Sat

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	Chet Organ's Baptism Connor Hughes's Baptism Brenda Kothe's Baptism	Hayden Watson's Birthday	Cathy Oswald's Baptism Cathy Oswald's Birthday		Peggy Peake's Birthday Sam Behm's Birthday		
7 Anaka Scoville's Baptism	8 Gerald & Betty Fields's Anniversary 	9 Pam Elet's Birthday Nancy Appleby's Baptism Bernice Elet's Baptism	10 Andy & Lisa Petersen's Anniversary Marvin Roecker's Birthday Carter Fry's Baptism Owen Fry's baptism Mackenzie McMillan's Baptism	11 Roger Baker's Birthday Mark Mueller's Birthday Barrie Nowaczyk's Baptism Jaxon Boogaard's Baptism Jameson Boogaard's Baptism	12 Charles Beeler's Birthday	13	
14 Vince Sciame's Birthday	15 Andy & Cyndi Martalock's Anniversary Lindsey Hassenfelt's Birthday	16 Beverly Scoville's baptism Nicholas Fillbach's birthday	17 Denise Organ's Baptism	18	19 Billie Kenitzer's birthday	20 	
21 Cathy Johnson's birthday	22 Roy Cruse's Birthday Sherry O'Grady's Birthday Lindsay Fry's Birthday Nolan Shepherd's birthday Roger Elliott's Baptism	23 Lauren Gurholt's Birthday	24	25 Marvin Roecker's Baptism	26	27	
28 Kailyn Packard's Baptism	29 Jody Winchester's Birthday Trevor Carr's Birthday	30 Edith Carlson's Baptism Roger Baker's Baptism					

Ministers of Worship at St. Paul Lutheran Church for May

Council Person	Assisting Minister	Lector	Ushers	Communion Team	Power Point Operator	Coffee Hour Hosts	Altar Guild
May 7							
Sharyn Pann	Dave Knutson	Sharyn Pann	Harris Team	Liptow Team	Steve McNeal	Ruth Circle	Ken/Marilyn Harris
Judy Markee					Audrey McManigle		Sherri/Chuck Hughes
May 14							
Ken Harris	Marilyn Harris	Chet Organ	Neitzel Team	Kline Team	Jan Knutson	Miriam Circle	Ken/Marilyn Harris
Jen Murry					Xander Murry		Sherri/Chuck Hughes
May 21							
Chuck Hughes	Chet Organ	Jane Carr	Liptow Team	Neitzel Team	Zach Fillbach	Youth Group	Ken/Marilyn Harris
Dave Knutson					Jeanne King		Sherri/Chuck Hughes
May 28							
Roger Neitzel	Henry Pann	Jean Neitzel	Leppla Team	Briscoe Team	Dan Hughes	Church in Society	Ken/Marilyn Harris
Karen Saudargas					Audrey McManigle		Sherri/Chuck Hughes

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00 Boy Scouts  <i>Happy May Day</i>	2	3 12:00 Soup Lunch	4 5:30 Choir 6:30 Praise Team	5 	6 9:00-4:00 Basket Guild Fellowship Hall 6:00 Youth Lock-in
7 9:00 ONE SERVICE ONLY Music & Arts Sunday with Potluck to Follow 9:15 Believers Club 11:45 San Jose Worship	8 1:00 Ruth Circle 7:00 Boy Scouts	9 6:45 Church Council Meeting	10 10:00 Sarah Circle 12:00 Soup Lunch	11 10:00 Worship & Music 5:30 Choir 6:30 Praise Team	12	13
14  8:00 Worship 9:15 Believers Club 9:15 Coffee with Council 9:15 Coffee Hour 10:30 Worship 11:45 San Jose Worship	15 7:00 Boy Scouts	16 	17 12:00 Soup Lunch & Lydia's Closet	18 8:00 Men's Breakfast Group 5:30 Choir 6:30 Praise Team	19	20
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OWLS

Thursday, May 25th Noon
Potluck in Fellowship Hall
Program TBA

Thank You

Thank you to the St. Paul Family for the support and care you gave Ron during his recent battle with cancer. The food, cards, words of support and encouragement, and especially your prayers sustained my family during this time. Thank you also, to Pastor Viviane for her loving and caring words at the funeral and to Jean and Tyler for providing the music that Ron loved. Christ's love shone through all of you.

Carol Josh and Family

Treasurer Report— March 2017

<u>Income Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Regular	12397.00	Beginning Balance	2266.87
Lent	453.00	Income	14450.78
Non-members	45.00	Available Funds	16717.65
Memorials	125.78	Expenses	12923.60
Other	761.00	Adjustments	78.38
Christ in home	10.00	Ending Balance	3872.43
Pres. Of Milwaukee	500.00		
General Fund	14291.78	Spending Plan/Mo.	15185.00
		Over/Under Mo.	-893.22
		Over/Under Year	-3574.81
Caritas	84.00		
Soup Lunch	<u>75.00</u>	Roof Fund-Beg. Bal.	2393.67
Total Income	14450.78	-Deposit	<u>0.00</u>
		-Ending Bal.	2393.67
		Organ Fund-Beg. Bal	559.80
		-Deposit	<u>0.00</u>
		-Ending Bal.	559.80

Designated Monthly Benevolence Outreach

The mission outreach for the month of May is

BELOIT LATINO MINISTRY

Your donations will be disbursed to the specified group at the end of each month.



Dairy Queen Night

Tuesday, May 30

5:00 - 8:00 pm

Come for supper, but don't forget the ice cream!
A portion of the proceeds will go to the Soup Lunch!

MEMORIAL NEWS

The St. Paul Congregation has been blessed to recently receive memorials in memory of Karen Fahrney, Fran Winden, and Ron Josh. Thanks to all of you for your kindness.



Softball Team Thank You

The St. Paul Softball Team wishes to thank all who participated in the Easter Breakfast. The team netted about \$200 from breakfast and additional donations of \$200 will cover the team's entry fee of \$400.

Raffles were won by Jacob Petersen for the Robin Yount Bobble and Dave Knutson for the Brewers Cap.

The church league begins April 27. The schedule is available on the church website: www.stpaulbeloit.org. Games are played at both Telfer and Kruegar Parks.

Interim Senior Pastor's Column

²³"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift."

Matthew 5:23-24

Thoughts on the Passing of the Peace .

We begin worship by sharing a greeting that expresses something central to faith – God's peace has come to dwell with us. In this season we are pointed to God's coming in peace to redeem us in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

This month I want to focus on the Passing of the Peace, a highlight of our worship service. It is a time that has been disputed in the Lutheran Church for some time. I remember when it was seen as a stiff turn to two people, solemnly shake their hand and return to facing forward. Now in most churches it is a more free expression of fellowship. "Peace be with you. And, also with you." Has become a formula phrase in some worship settings but it is more than that.

Yes, the Sharing of the Peace is a ritual of friendship and community but it is more than that if we take Jesus' admonition in Matthew 5:23-24 seriously. It is time for reconciliation as we approach receiving the gift of God's forgiveness and reconciliation with us. That said, it is certainly not intermission during the worship service for our small talk. I'm aware that for some this is the highlight of the worship and for others it is viewed as a disruption in the reverence of worship.

All of that begs the question of where to place this rite in the worship service. Theologically and practically this leads me to look at three places during worship that seem appropriate placement.

At the Gathering: Remembering that in both Jewish and Christian history "Shalom" or "Peace" has been a gathering greeting of the faith community. It was a way of saying "Hi. How are you?" as the community gathered for worship. When we say the Kyrie, the first three statements have us praying to the Lord for peace: as we approach God, peace from above, and peace for the whole world. Angels appearing to shocked humans assuring them of peace and no need to be fearful. Jesus even used the same greeting to the startled disciples in the upper room after his resurrection.

In the Middle: The Evangelical Lutheran Worship book places it after the Prayers of the Church as a reminder of Jesus' admonition in Matthew 5:23-24 above. Before we come to the altar of our Lord to be fed, we make peace, are reconciled with our brothers and sisters in Christ. It is both an

act of reconciliation and a welcome to the fellowship of the altar.

At the End: In some of our churches this placement serves to send everyone out with a sense that they are blessed to be a blessing to the world.

Next time you share the peace with another, remember you are blessing another as you have been blessed by God.

Shalom my friends,



Pastor

Dear Family & Friends of St. Paul

We have now passed the Easter season with several very successful and inspiring services. I want to thank those who had a part in all of the services, from planning to performing and attending. We even added a Vigil Service on Saturday night, that to my memory, we have never had before.

At the April Council Meeting we discussed the next steps in the call process. After several key questions from Pastor Viviane, we determined that it was time to form the Call Committee. The Call Committee selects the person God desires this congregation to have as a pastor. We have given ourselves a possible deadline for appointing the committee members by the May Council Meeting. We have names of members who have expressed interest but they are in the upper age ranges. If any of the readers of this newsletter know of any youth or millennials who may be willing to serve, please contact me or another council member. The council will review the candidates and may follow up with interviews. Please be patient with us during this process, as being on a call committee is one of the most important and meaningful things a member can do for the church.

Your Friend in Christ

Ken Harris

Music and Arts Sunday

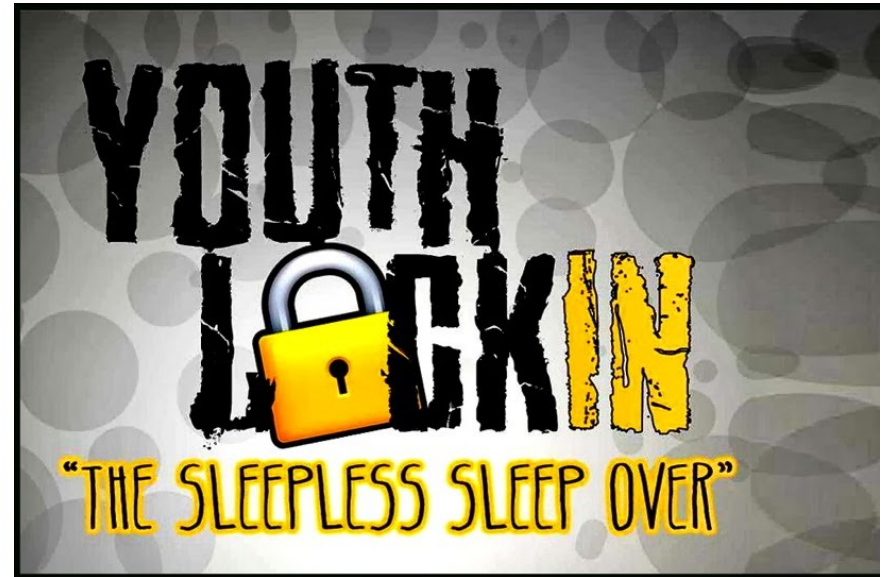
Sunday May 7th

***One Service Only
at 9:00 AM***

Followed by a potluck
And a reception for Tyler Pimm

Tyler has graduated from NIU and has
accepted a new position
at a church in Lake Mills!

His last Sunday will be the 7th.
We extend many thanks to Tyler for the
wonderful musical talent
he has provided
for St. Paul,
and wish for him all good things
as he journeys forward!



**The theme of this year's Youth Lock-in
is "Miracles."**

**There will be various activities,
games, and a movie.**

**It is from 6 pm on Saturday, May 6
until Sunday, May 7**

after the 9:00 church service.

It is for youth from 5th grade and up.

**Everyone should bring a pillow
and a sleeping bag.**



St. Paul Softball Schedule - 2017

Games on Thursday - Telfer or Krueger Park

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
April 27	8:10	Telfer	PGUMC
May 4	7:20	Krueger	The Rock
May 11	7:20	Krueger	Hope Gold
May 11	8:10	Krueger	*Central Christian
May 18	6:30	Telfer	*Hope Black
May 25	6:30	Telfer	Beloit's 1 st AOG
June 1	8:10	Telfer	*Our Savior's
June 8	7:20	Krueger	*Hope Blue
June 15	6:30	Telfer	Family Worship
June 22	8:10	Telfer	*OLA
June 29			
July 6			
July 13			
July 20			
June 27			Tournament
Aug. 4			Tournament

* Designates Home Team Weather Hotline: 364-2890 Ext.4

Visit www.stpaulbeloit.org for reports, stats and schedule

Contact Person: Roger Neitzel 362-8324 or cell 290-3864 Phone App: www.teamsideline.com

NOTE: First 10 games are played round robin. Then top 5 or 6 teams will finish at Krueger and lower 5 or 6 teams will finish at Telfer. Tournament will follow.

Quilts for Our Graduates

For the past few years each of our High School graduates have received a quilt as a gift and remembrance of their home congregation St. Paul!

It is our hope that they will carry this quilt with them as they begin their new endeavors and remember that their congregation cares for them, prays for them and wishes them well!

Following is a list of our seniors for 2017!

If your name is not on the list and it should be please call the church office ASAP!

The quilts will be given to the graduates on June 4th at both services

Colin Carlson Anaka Scoville Madyson Fry
Teagan Martalock Hannah Gurholdt
Jeff Crall Sam Behm

New Usher Schedule

We are in the middle of trying to update the usher schedule! As an usher you are important to the life of this congregation! At the present time you are the first people that a visitor might see, so you become a greeter as well as an usher while handing them a bulletin! Your other duty is to help collect the offering and ring the bell at the appropriate times!

Because the 10:30 service is going to be all Praise services, we only need ushers at the 8:00 service! We are right at 4 teams with 3 people on a team, but would like to see more teams participate. Ladies here's your chance, you'd make great ushers too! If you are willing to help out with this opportunity to serve please see Jim Leppla or Jean Neitzel.

New schedules will be sent out soon!

MAY BABY SHOWER FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF—

During the month of May there will be a bassinet set up in the hallway for donations. We are especially in need of Cloth Diapers, Diaper Pins, Size 2 T-shirts, and Sleepers - sizes medium and large, for the Baby Kits that we assemble.

HOUSING REQUEST

Pastor Viviane needs a place to live (3 nights per week) for the duration of her stay with us. She is staying in Beloit on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights and other nights as needed. There have been offers of a room in the home of parishioners, however, after consulting the South Central Synod office, the bishop recommends against such as a boundary crossing. She did however say that it would be appropriate for Pastor to house-sit for a parishioner when they are not home. Does anyone have times coming up when Pastor would be able to house-sit for those nights in a week? Pastor must be a non-smoking home because she is **allergic to cigarette smoke**. Also, though Pastor loves animals she is **allergic to cats**. Otherwise she is very healthy. Please call Pastor Viviane or Carol in the Church Office if you can assist in our housing search.. Thank you.

CHANGE IN WORSHIP SERVICES

Your Worship and Music Team agreed and voted that all 10:30 services will be lead by the Praise Team with the exception of 2- Sunday services a year

(8:00 and 10:30) that will be reserved for a Healing Service!

There will be a Healing Service in the spring and one in the fall!

All other Sundays will be 8:00 AM Traditional---10:30 AM Praise

BREWER'S GAME OUTING ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH? —

Join Thrivent Financial at the Brewers' first-ever Faith Day at Miller Park, presented by our Thrivent Member Network-South Wisconsin Region, featuring a free postgame concert by multi-platinum Christian music group MercyMe! Thrivent Members & guests can purchase tickets at special discounted rates: \$16 Terrace Reserved, \$24 Loge Bleachers, \$30 Loge Outfield, \$35 Field Outfield. Limited quantities available for each level, so we need to plan now if we want to go together and make this a St. Paul event! Pastor intends to go. (She really likes the group MercyMe!) The event is on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 1pm: Tailgate, 3pm: Brewers vs. Padres at Miller Park, 1 Brewers Way, Milwaukee, WI. Please inform Pastor by May 6th if you are interested in going as part of a St. Paul's group.