



# St. Paul Lutheran

Church & School

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

**June 2, 2019**

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6100 Westside Saginaw Road  
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Sunday Worship: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Bible Classes & Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

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## **WELCOME IN THE NAME OF JESUS TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US HERE AT ST. PAUL LUTHERAN THIS MORNING!**

Visitors and guests, please sign the friendship pad (which is at the end of the row), and include your address and phone number.

Please take note of the communion information and guidelines on the inside upper panel of the friendship pad. If you are unable to come to the front for communion and desire to be communed, please sit on the end of the pew and notify the elder. Those receiving the individual cups are asked to please hold onto their cup until the elder passes by with the common cup so none will be missed.

Care cards, located in the pew rack ahead of you, can be used for prayer requests. Please hand the card to an usher or place it into the basket when the offering is received.

### **LITURGY**

8:00 a.m. - Matins

10:30 a.m. - Celebration & Praise with Communion

### **HYMNS**

8:00 a.m. - 595, 821, 829

### **READERS**

8:00 a.m. - Jack Lustila

10:30 a.m. - Terry Burkhard

### **ACOLYTES**

8:00 a.m. - Maggie Behmlander

10:30 a.m. - Emily EauClaire

### **GREETERS**

8:00 a.m. - Jean & Mary Lou Appold, Anthony & Kathie Colone

10:30 a.m. - Steve & Debra Neuman, Loraine Diment, Paul Begick

### **USHERS**

8:00 a.m. - Group 3 – Herb Matthes, Bob Schlicker, Jason Schlicker, Art Zeilinger, Peter Auernhammer

10:30 a.m. - Group 6 – Brian Appold, Andy Weiss, Scott Weiss, Jeffrey Olson

## PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING

### HOMEBOUND

|                      |                    |                     |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Rick & Bonnie Emeott | Mary Pfund         |                     |
| Dorine Auernhammer   | Erv Hoerauf        | Julie Roark         |
| Dolores Appold       | Jon Ittner         | Rose Anne Schmidt   |
| Gwen Bakus           | Lorna Ittner       | Al Vogtmann         |
| Ruth Behmlander      | Mike & Karen Kusch | Tim Wegener         |
| Armond Beiser        | Irma McKenzie      | Ferdinand Zeilinger |
| Dorothy David        | Margaret Meyer     |                     |

### SPECIAL

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|--|---|
| Hedwig Gerold (cancer)                 | Sonia Scheurs                                   |
| Tom Harmon (Howard's brother)          | Willard (Ken Van Cise's cousin;<br>cancer)      |
| Herb Mueller (Jonathan's brother)      | Al Wegener                                      |
| Dorothy Kaufmann                       | Betty Wieland (Amanda Wills'<br>mother; cancer) |
| Jeff Schlicker (Loretta's son; cancer) |   |
| Dodd (brother of Donna Smigiel)        |   |

### THIS WEEK'S MEMBERS

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| Mary Lou Appold                       | Dennis, Valerie, Olivia, Ethan, Isaac, &<br>Abigail Matyas |
| Kevin Bellhorn                        | George & Judy Spielhaupter                                 |
| Emily, Alexandra, & Lucas<br>Kochanny | Michelle, Brody, Arthur, Jenelle, & Eric<br>Wyzgowski      |

### THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

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| <u>SUNDAY</u> | 6/2 | 8:00 a.m. Worship  |
|               |     | 9:15 a.m. Bible Class  |
|               |     | 10:30 a.m. Celebration & Praise with Communion<br>(Outdoors, weather permitting) |
|               |     | 12:00 p.m. Farewell Potluck for Mrs. Doan  |

TUESDAY 6/4 7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting

WEDNESDAY 6/5 6:00 p.m. Board of Ed Meeting

THURSDAY 6/6 ***Last Day of School***

8:30 a.m. School Chapel & Awards  
10:00 a.m. Dismissal & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Send-off

NEXT SUNDAY 6/9 8:00 a.m. Worship with Communion  
9:15 a.m. Bible Class  
10:30 a.m. Worship - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

## NOTES AND NEWS

**ATTENDANCE** Last Sunday – 226 (131, 95)

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**      June 2 – *Ephesians 2*      June 3 – *Ephesians 3*  
June 4 – *Ephesians 4*      June 5 – *Ephesians 5*      June 6 – *Ephesians 6*  
June 7 – *Psalms 54-55*      June 8 – *Proverbs 13*

**VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL - VISITING TODAY!** Look for students and other representatives from Valley Lutheran High School joining us for worship today. Lord is at work in and through the ministry of VLHS!! They are excited to share a brief update on what is going on at Valley Lutheran these days and also share the ways you can get involved as the Lord may lead you. Stay for Bible Study for an engaging study and more information about Valley Lutheran.

**FAREWELL POTLUCK FOR MRS. DOAN** Join your Wildcat family in the gym after late service today for a First Sunday Potluck honoring Mrs. Doan. Please bring a dish to pass. We will provide a cake and "Card Shower" basket to gather notes or gifts to thank Mrs. Doan for her faithful service. - St. Paul Board of Ed

**REMINDER FOR LADIES AID BUS TRIP** Ladies who are participating, please remember to meet at the church parking lot on Saturday, June 8 by 6:45 a.m. so the bus can leave promptly.

**CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!** All 2019 High School and College/Grad School graduates are invited and encouraged to attend either the 8:00 or 10:30 service on Sunday, June 9. Wear your cap & gown and we will seat you together so that we may give thanks to God for His work in your accomplishments. We will gather in the church basement 15 minutes before each service to get you organized, and at the end of the service, we'll find out about your future plans.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATION & STAFF ANNIVERSARIES** Join us Sunday, June 9th for cake between services and after late service to celebrate the 8th Grade Graduation of Chessa Bourdow, Maggie Behmlander, and Max Behmlander. We will also have baskets for a "Card Shower" honoring Ruth Schian's 10th anniversary and Rachel Abraham's 15th anniversary of LCMS service. - St. Paul Board of Ed

**LU LAY LEA CAMPERS** The St. Paul Men's Club has available money toward your camp fees to help you go to Camp Lu Lay Lea this summer. If you are going to Camp Lu Lay Lea, please let the church office know the camper's name, age, and a contact phone number.

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG** The funds raised from the event go directly to the ministry of Beacon of Hope, reaching the men and women who come in our door facing an unplanned pregnancy. As a church, St. Paul collectively raised

\$1,142.58. Your gift not only builds this ministry financially, it also lets us know that we - you and us - are a team in this effort. Thank you for your gift. - Tracey Freehling, Fundraising & Marketing Coordinator of Beacon of Hope Pregnancy Care Center

**BOX TOPS PROGRAM IS CHANGING! CLIP → SCAN** Big changes are coming to Box Tops! Over the next few months you'll begin to see packaging with the Box Tops icon that tells you to scan your receipt instead of clipping the Box Tops coupon. For now, keep clipping regular Box Tops and sending them in, but stay tuned and be ready to use the new Box Tops App to scan your receipt in the near future.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT** Thank you for the use of the gym, auditorium, and kitchen for the Armand's Hope Benefit. Also many thanks to everyone who attended the benefit, brought baked goods, and helped to make the event successful! God bless, Armand's family

**FOOD OF FAITH** St. Paul is serving Bay City's Food of Faith meal on Thursday, June 20. Please contact Bonnie List (989-686-6848) or Janet Beckers (989-686-3095) if you are able to donate desserts or if you are interested in helping with preparing or serving the meal.

**THANK YOU** Thank you so much to my St. Paul family for your continued prayers and well wishes. I am improving more every day through the grace of God. - Sonia Scheurs.

**MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL COOKOUT** All men of the congregation are invited to the annual cookout at John Neumeyer's house (5938 Fraser Rd.) on Tuesday, June 18 at 5 p.m. Please call Tom DePrekel (989-280-9285) or Vern Kuch (989-684-4672) if you have questions.

**HOT LUNCH PROGRAM** Please help us finish the school year strong! We are still in need of cash donations and gift cards to end this year in the positive. Also, as this school year is winding down, we are setting our eyes on next year and beginning to plan for our Adopt-a-Salad Bar! If you are interested in supporting a week in the 2019-2020 school year, please contact the school office at 684-4450. For more information on this program, pick up a brochure in the back of church.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL END OF YEAR CELEBRATION** Sunday School ended its year on May 21, with an End of Year Celebration. Thank you to all the families who brought their children to Sunday School. We have had a wonderful year sharing the love of Jesus with your children. Thank you to the teachers who volunteered their time. We were blessed to have an amazing group of teachers this year....Angela Haas, Tiffany List, Kathy Lustila, Kayla Schlicker, Christy Swartz, and Janelle Wiess. Thank you also, to Allison List and JungJa McCoy, who filled in for teachers during the year. We wouldn't have a successful Sunday School without these dedicated teachers, helpers and families who support the program.

**JOIN THE JOURNEY** If you need a new pledge card, or know of someone you would like to encourage to join the Ministry Center journey, there are extra pledge cards in the church narthex. Please take as many as you need.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE ALASKA MISSION** You can support the Alaskan Mission to Cooper Landing by ordering homemade egg rolls! We'll be filling orders up until June 9. \$10 for 6, or \$20 for a dozen. You can order by filling out a form in the church entryway or school office or by contacting Heidi Schultz (450-0975 or heidianschultz@aol.com). If you are not an egg roll fan, but would still like to support the mission trip, contributions can be made to Cooper Landing Community Church and sent in care of Ladonna Herbert, P.O. Box 518, Cooper Landing, AK 99572. Church, P.O. Box 518, Cooper Landing, Alaska 99572.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS!** We are running 2 sessions again: Sunday, July 21 -Thursday, July 25, 5:30-8:15 p.m.; or Monday, July 22-Friday, July 26, 9:15 a.m.-Noon. There will be a light meal served prior to both sessions. Mark your calendars and get ready for an awesome time!

**WHOLE LIFE STEWARDSHIP** I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have, He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true. (Martin Luther - The First Article, small catechism, 1529) Every child of God is called to be a steward of what the Lord entrusts to him or her, God has created us for this free and joyous task (Gen. 2:15). When our stewardship failed (Gen. 3), the Lord redeemed us through His work on the cross. We are restored to our role as stewards by virtue of our Baptism into Christ. The Holy Spirit calls us by the Gospel as He gathers, enlightens, sanctifies and keeps us in the one true faith (small catechism, Article 3). Our entire life of stewardship is then a response to this wonderful mercy shown us by our Lord. (Rom. 12:1-2)

STEWARDSHIP - A way of life.

**MICHIGAN DISTRICT LLL MEN'S RETREAT** The 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Lutheran Laymen's League Retreat at Camp Arcadia will be held Sept. 5-8. Pastor Maytas will be serving as one of the retreat chaplains, and the featured speaker is Rev. Gregory Seltz, Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour and currently Executive Director of the Lutheran Center for Religious Liberty in Washington, D.C. Brochures with more information are available in the narthex.

## **7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

### **FIRST READING**

Acts 1:12–26 (ESV)

<sup>12</sup>Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. <sup>17</sup>For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>18</sup>(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. <sup>19</sup>And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) <sup>20</sup>“For it is written in the Book of Psalms, “‘May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it’; and “‘Let another take his office.’” <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

### **EPISTLE READING**

Revelation 22:1–20 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup>They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

<sup>6</sup>And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.”

<sup>7</sup> “And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”

<sup>8</sup> I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, <sup>9</sup> but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.”

<sup>10</sup> And he said to me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. <sup>11</sup> Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy.”

<sup>12</sup> “Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. <sup>13</sup> I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

<sup>14</sup> Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. <sup>15</sup> Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

<sup>16</sup> “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

<sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

<sup>18</sup> I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, <sup>19</sup> and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

<sup>20</sup> He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 17:20–26 (ESV)

<sup>20</sup> [Jesus said:] “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup> in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup> O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

**June 2, 2019**