

††† **Our Week at St. Paul's** †††

Sunday, January 13, 2019

8:00am & 10:30am Communion Services (Installation of Officers)
9:15am Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
9:15am Children's Sunday School
9:15am High School Bible Class
12:00 Noon Youth in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
2:30-4:30pm Pastor/Elder visits

Monday, January 14, 2019

Financial Count (Roessler, Essert, D. Nowak)
5:30-6:30pm A.A. Meeting – Preschool area-East end
7:00pm Communion Service

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

7:15am Men's Bible Study
9:00am Sewing Comforts
3:30-4:30 pm Confirmation Class
7:00pm Board of Elders

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

1:30-3:30pm Food Pantry
5:30-6:30pm A.A. Meeting – Preschool area-East end
7:00pm Church Council

Thursday, January 17, 2019

6:30-8:30 pm Pastor visits

Friday, January 18, 2019

1:00pm Fold Bulletins (Dorothy & Marianne)
2:00pm Pastor Bible Study – Integrity Columbia
5:30-6:30pm A.A. Meeting – Preschool area-East end

Saturday, January 19, 2019

Sunday, January 20, 2019 Life Sunday

8:00am & 10:30am Communion Services
9:15am Bible Study – Fellowship Hall
9:15am Children's Sunday School
9:15am High School Bible Class
6:00pm Game Night
2:30-4:30pm Pastor/Elder visits



Prayer Requests

**The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
Psalm 145:18**

†For those with health issues: (names of members are in **bold type**)

Delma Arbeiter	Karie Vielus	Angie Dixon	Jeanine Manning
Joy Bretz	Asa Haudrick	Aaron Ritter	
Karen Sweet	Trudy Penno	Janice Mann	

†For **Ralph Mathews** as he prepares for shoulder surgery this week
†For Lois Heise, mother of **Mark Heise**, recovering from surgery
†For Chris Starek, brother of **Joe Starek**, as he recovers from surgery
†For Sharon Helmkamp, sister of **Jeanine Consolino**, hospitalized with the flu
†For **Carl Maschmeyer's** grandson, very ill after surgery for perforated ulcer
†For **Don Greer**, recovering at home after wrist surgery
†For Alicia Craft, granddaughter of **Sandy Roessler**, for healing of injuries after an automobile accident
†For Agnes Stuckmeyer, wife of **Mel**, recuperating at home after back surgery

†For those receiving cancer treatments/living with cancer

Marla Vogt	Jan Hoffman	Marian Ritter	Angie Henshaw
Gary Haberl	Mel Kienemann	John McPeak	Jean Landgraf
Joe Barton	Betty Pierson		

†For the family of Heather Marie Van Vuren who died on Jan. 5. Her husband is a former fireman who worked with **Mike Roediger**
†For the family of Beverly Nelson, grandmother of Amber Kasper, whom God called home on Jan. 2
†For Sue Gieschen, sister of **Barbara Ahlbrand**, who died on Jan. 9

†For **Karl Nowak & Kendra Nowak** who are presently on a mission trip to Haiti
†For our Church officers who will be installed this weekend
†For Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis

Announcements **January 13, 2019**

Foundational Christianity: All are welcome to join us (January-March) during the adult bible class hour on Sunday morning for class that covers foundations of the Christian/Lutheran faith. This is for all members, old and new, along with visitors who would like a refresher on the Biblical basis for our beliefs. **This week's topic** – “The Sin Dilema”. **Next week**, “Who is God?” (A look at the Creeds). Each week stands alone, so if you miss a class or two you can easily slide right in for future classes. Come one, come all! Pastor Krenz

Epiphany/Missions: Epiphany is a time of year when we focus on Christ being the light for all people. This congregation has budgeted \$24,000 for Southern Illinois District and Synodical missions. Some of your offerings are used to help support Unity Lutheran School in East St. Louis. This Lutheran school was started in 2003, and presently has an enrollment of 190 students. Please continue to support this ministry with your prayers and offerings.

Adult Information Class: For those that are interested in joining this congregation and/or learning more about the Lutheran Church please contact Pastor Krenz at 618-363-0121. An initial informational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6th at 6pm. These classes are an hour long, and run around three months. Watch the bulletin and newsletter for further details.

Committees and Boards: We are hoping that each committee and board of the congregation will have a written or verbal report to present to the church council on January 16th. Even though similar items will be presented to the Voter's Meeting on the 22nd of January it is hoped these reports will assist the council as it prepares for the Voter's Meeting. Pastor and Elders

Men's Morning Bible Study: Join us at Robert L. Thoma Tax & Accounting Service on Tuesday morning at 7:15 for Bible Study and prayer. We are presently looking at the OT, Epistle, and Gospel Reading from the previous Sunday.

Visitations: The elders and I are making visits on most Sunday afternoons, and I'm scheduling individual visits on Thursday nights. The Thursdays in January are already scheduled. If you would like to schedule a specific time in February or March please give me a call.

Weekly announcements: The weekly announcements in the bulletin can now be found on the first page of the congregational web site. Our hope is to have these up each week by Saturday.

“101 Sermon Series” Starting in January

January 6th & 7th: Epiphany 101 Matthew 2:1-13

January 13th & 14th: Baptism 101 Luke 3:15-22

January 20th & 21st: Spiritual Gifts 101 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

January 27th & 28th: The church 101 1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

Food Pantry News: On Jan. 2nd we served 12 households representing 28 adults and 8 children. We are currently running low on toilet paper and feminine hygiene products.

5 lanes are reserved for the **Annual Family Bowling Night**, Sunday Jan 27, 5:45-8:00 pm at West Park Bowl hosted by Family Ministry. Sign-up soon on sheet in Narthex on a table or bulletin board. Feel free to invite non-church members. \$40/lane includes 1 large pizza and a pitcher of soda. Arrive by 5:45 so we can release lanes if needed before 6:00 charges apply and to get shoes, etc. ***Order pizza at check-in when getting shoes.***

SAVE THE DATE - the annual **Church Rummage Sale** will be Saturday March 23, 2019. Instead of donating your items to other causes, please save them for our event to benefit our youth going to the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis in July. All items are greatly appreciated. However, we cannot take computers or TV's. Clothes in good condition will be accepted.

Please sign up on the **Flower Chart** in the narthex to provide flowers for almost any time in 2019 to honor someone or in memory of a loved one. There are instructions on the wall by the Flower Chart to make the process easy.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for January-March are now available in the narthex.

Thrivent Members—Please consider directing your **Thrivent Choice \$\$** to our church and preschool.

PLEASE SAVE the fronts of Christmas cards to donate to the LWML Christmas stocking event for use next fall. Religious or cute designs from cards could be potential decorations for the stockings. A small container will be available on the LWML counter (under the LWML bulletin board) as you come up the stairs. These cards will be picked up the 2nd week of February. If you have any questions, contact Wanda at 281-4691.