

Sundays, Adult Bible Class 9:15-10:15 am Adult Bible Class:
March 24th- Jesus our Suffering Servant Isaiah 52:13-Isaiah 53:12
Starting in April

Join us for Sunday mornings in April in the fellowship hall as we join the church in Thessaloniki as they receive Paul's letters to them. In this series we will explore the instructions given to the church, the themes that Paul addresses, and the everyday application of the Thessalonian discourse, both 1 and 2 Thessalonians. Seminarian Andrew Borseth will be leading this class.

Children's Sunday School...9:15 - 10:15 am

This week's lesson is "A Crushing Truth." The events of Christ's crucifixion unfold in a series of brutal and bloody vignettes: questioned before Pilate, mocked and abused by the Roman guard, nailed to the cross. Jesus hangs between life and death—abandoned by His Father—yielding up His life at the moment He chooses. Multiple witnesses see where Christ is laid in a borrowed tomb. Discuss how you can remember the crucifixion of Christ.

Youth Events:
April (either 19 or 21)– Middle School Yard Game night in Church parking lot
April 21- High School Youth Event Hosted by Freeburg
May 5th- Confirmation

Holy Week Schedule

There will be No Sunday School or Bible Class on Easter Sunday.

March 24th & 25th Palm Sunday 8 & 10:30 am Hands of Praise - Disciples & Crowds Mark 11:1-11

March 27th Maundy Thursday 6:30 pm Hands of Humility – Jesus John 13:1-5, 12-17

March 28th Good Friday 12 pm & 6:30 pm Nail-Pierced Hands - Jesus Luke 23:32-34


March 31st Easter Sunday***

6:30 am, 8 & 10:30 am; **Life-Giving Hands - Jesus John 20:19-23**

*****3 services at St. Paul's on Easter Sunday:**

Sunrise 6:30 am (at church, not cemetery); 8 am & 10:30 am

Please join us for Easter Breakfast -Continental style - donuts, pastries, fruit, juice, coffee, etc. We will serve after the sunrise service in the fellowship hall, before 8 and between 8 and 10:30 service. (by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans)



Bellabration You are invited to a **Handbell Concert** featuring the handbell choirs of Christ Our Savior, Freeburg, St. Paul, Columbia, and Immanuel, Waterloo, on **Sunday, April 21, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** at Immanuel Lutheran Church (522 S. Church St.) in Waterloo. This concert will be a wonderful blessing of musical offerings. During this special concert, a freewill offering will be taken to support the music department of our mission school, Unity Lutheran Elementary School in East St. Louis. A light reception will follow the concert as well. Any questions? Please contact Immanuel's church office (618-939-6480).

Ushers/Greeters/Screens:

If you or someone you know might be open to helping out as a Greeter/Usher and help with the screens at church please let us know. You can call the church office (618)-281-4600 or email our church secretary Dianne at secretary@stpauls-lcms.org.

The ladies of Immanuel Lutheran Church (522 S. Church St.) in Waterloo invite you to their **13th annual "Refresh & Renew" Mini-Retreat on Saturday, April 27, from 9-11 a.m.** Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and the morning will begin with a delicious breakfast. We'll hear a message from Sandi Geis based on Matthew 7:24-27 and join in some inspirational singing. Sandi is the coordinator for the CTCR at The LC-MS, a freelance writer for various publishers, a pastor's wife, mother & grandmother. There is no cost for this retreat, but we'll be taking an in-gathering of non-perishable food items for the Bi-County Backpack Program and paper products & art supplies for Camp Wartburg. Pre-register is appreciated but walk-ins are welcome. 618-939-6480 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com.

Would you like a historic hymnal?

Free hymnals on the table nearest the door to the office in the Narthex. Red hymnals (copyright 1941) and blue hymnals (copyright 1982.)

Next Food Pantry: April 3 1:30—3 pm
Current Needs: Brownie Mix, Ketchup & Toilet Paper

Thank you to everyone who helped, donated and/or shopped at the rummage sale last Saturday. We could not have done it without your help!

This year the proceeds (+\$3600) helped to pay for the new preschool playground equipment.

Feel free to kneel:

Recently the kneeling pads have been put back on the communion rail. While initially upon the returning to the altar in January for communion we did not have kneeling pads due to the difficulty some had getting up and down, we have returned them due to a number of individuals who desire to kneel for the Lord's Supper. - The Board of Elders.

Save the Date!

Congregational Gateway
Grizzlies Baseball Event coming
Friday, May 24th!





Save the Date for 2024 VBS

Celebrate the Savior!

Our dates this year are

June 10th-14th, 2024 from 9 am to 12 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

VBS is rapidly approaching! We are just over two months away and have various needs for our programming. Please reach out to Carleigh if you are able to help with our Games or Bible Exploration/Science Lab sites.

I am also looking for a few folks who would be willing to form a decorating committee for the 2024 VBS. The theme is Celebrate the Savior! and we would love to have St. Paul's looking like a fun and inviting party that celebrates God's love for us. Interested? Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. We will meet soon after Easter to plan.

Volunteers Register online:
<https://vbsmate.com/events/StPaulsColumbia/28392>

Welcome both members and visitors to worship this morning.

If you are a visitor and do not have a church home, we invite you to consider this congregation as a place for you to grow through God's Word in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Contact Pastor Krenz (618-363-0121) with any questions on this congregation, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and/or the process of church membership.

If you are a visitor, feel free to leave us your address in the attendance folder. It is also in that folder you can see our belief and practice concerning the Lord's Supper.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- † **Darlene Bergman**, (mother of Kathleen Bergman) friend of Susan Housewright, who is in the hospital
- † **Marilyn Kisro**, at Memorial hospital in Belleville
- † **Larry Sheets**, brother-in-law of Luci Washburn, recovery from knee replacement surgery
- † **Carole Hancock**, recovering from shoulder replacement surgery
- † **Emily Briscoe**, coworker of Emily Pruden, for healing and strength
- † **Beverly Pulcher**, recovering from foot surgery
- † **Julie Boerjan**, Stephanie Newbill's, sister, recovering from neck/back surgery
- † **Brenda Richter**, friend of Mary Clyde, for healing
- † **John Kirk**, recovering from hip surgery
- † **Shirley Roth**, (Gina Search's mother, recovering from a broken hip
- † **Tom McLaughlin**, Father of Lisa Krenz, on hospice
- † **Don Greer Sr.**, Father of Don Greer, acute myeloid leukemia
- † **Kathy Landgraf Kuehner**, friend of Marilyn Snider, as she continues with health issues
- † **Roy Hallauer**, brother of Luci Washburn, recurrence of cancer
- † **Kelly Gregoire**, friend of Mitch & Carol Essert & Jeff & Ginger Crank, health concerns
- † **Barb Schneider**, health issues

Undergoing Cancer Treatments...

- Robert Ebner**, friend of Bob Thoma
- Ron Medley**, friend of Bob Thoma
- Jeff Fitzgibbons**, friend of Bob Thoma
- Sandy Cates**, friend of Susan Stemler & Mona Newton
- Scott Kensel**, brother of Jamie Moeslein,
- Ken Walker**, friend of Carole Hancock

- Mike Conrad**, friend of Sandy Roessler
- Monica Shannon**, friend of Douglas family
- Shawn Malone**, friend of Sandy Roessler
- Pat Marshall**, Jackie Haberl's sister
- Bob Coats**, friend of Sandy Roessler
- Mary Schmidt**, member

For Those Living With Cancer
Special Prayers for:

- † Rejoicing with Pastor Grebing who is in remission
- † Eve's Restoration Home—as this ministry begins
- † For our Shut-ins... *Julie Arbeiter, Willa Bates, Melvin Becherer, JoAnn Byerley, Marge Drexler, Rick Gullin, Virginia Jeffery, Judith Kellenberger, Larry Kremmel, Jean McLaughlin, Tom McLaughlin, Rick Meyer, Patsy Powell, Ellavee Pulcher, Juanita Ritter, Mary Schmidt, Barb Schneider, Marilee Schueler, Micky Simmons*

The **Easter Cards** are *in the lobby*

for you to **send** to a church member, to someone, **to anyone one who has lost a loved one** to heaven recently or since last Easter.

Take as many as you like. **Spread the good news**

that **Christ is Risen** and so will we!

Our Response To His Love With Attendance			
3/17	8 am		74
	10:30 am		55
3/18	6:30 pm		21
			150

3/17	Sunday School	19
	(Pre-K, Elementary, Jr High & HS)	
3/17	Adult Bible Study	17
3/19	Men's Bible Study	4
3/20	Women's Bible Study	n/a
3/20	Lent Wednesday Services	50

Our Response To His Love W/ Our Finances			
General Fund			
Weekly Budgeted Amount Needed \$7,000			
Received		3/17:	\$5,255
Building Repair Fund			
Received		3/17:	\$20

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

- 8 am Divine Service
- 9:15-10:15 am
 - Adult Bible Class in Fellowship Hall
 - Youth Bible Study in Loft
 - Sunday School in Children's Wing
- 10:30 am Divine Service
- 12 noon Potluck Lunch

Monday, March 25

- Count Team 2 – L. Schmidt; T. Search; E. Heise;
- 6:30 pm Divine Service

Tuesday, March 26

- 7:15 am Men's Bible Study
- 9 am Quilters
- 1:30 Stewardship Mtg

Wednesday, March 27

- 10 am Women's Bible Study w/ Nancy
- TBD Handbell Choir

Thursday, March 28

- 6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 29

- 12 noon Good Friday Service
- 6:30 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday

- 6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service** at church
- Continental Breakfast Available after service
- 8 am Divine Service**
- Continental Breakfast Available after service
- 10:30 am Divine Service**

WE THANK THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 24th 8 am
Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: David Greatting
Greeter/Usher: Aiden Colyer
Acolyte:
Screens: Josh Colyer
Video: Andrew Colyer

Sunday, March 24th 10:30 am
Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Toby Search
Greeter/Usher: Carole Hancock
Acolyte: Brooke Quevreaux
Screens: Dane Quevreaux

Monday, March 25th 6:30 pm
Organist: Jeanine Consolino
Elder: Glen Grebing

Maundy Thursday, 3/ 28 6:30 pm
Elder: Charlie Consolino
Usher:
Greeter/Acolyte:

Good Friday, 3/ 29 Noon
Organist: J. Consolino
Elder: Bob Thoma
Greeter/Usher:
Acolyte:

Good Friday, 3/ 29 6:30 pm
Organist: J. Consolino
Elder: Mark Eischer
Greeter/Usher:
Acolyte:

Easter Sunrise, 3/ 31 6:30 am
Organist: J. Consolino
Elder: C. Consolino
Greeter/Usher:
Acolyte:

Screens: J. Colyer
Easter Sunday, 3/ 31 8 am
Organist: J. Consolino
Elder: Scott Moeslein
Greeter/Usher: A. Colyer
Acolyte:

Screens: J. Colyer
Video: A. Colyer
Easter Sunday, 3/ 31 10:30 am
Organist: J. Consolino
Elder: Levi Ottwell
Greeter/Usher:

Acolyte/Crucifer:
Campbell & Lennon Ottwell
Screens:

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