

HE IS RISEN - Its time to pick up an **EASTER CARD** or two in the narthex to send to a friend, relative, or church member who has lost a loved one to Heaven since last Easter including our St. Paul departed. Members of our St. Paul church family who have been called home to Heaven since last Easter Sunday...



JULIE ARBEITER ERWIN HOFSTETTER
KAREN SWEET TOM & JEAN MCLAUGHLIN
JOANN BYERLY GARY CAMP
LUCI WASHBURN MARY SCHMIDT
CATHERINE MATHEWS MARVIN LUEDEMAN

Do it. It means a lot!

Adult membership class:

The next adult membership class is scheduled to start **Sunday, May 18th at 4pm**. This 10 week class covers the foundation of the faith from a Lutheran perspective. If you or someone you know might be interested in this class please contact Pastor Krenz at 618-363-0121. Due to vacations and other summer activities, this class will more than likely meet at various times throughout the summer and in the fall.

Portals of Prayer for the spring are available in the Narthex.

High School Administrator needed at Christ our Savior Lutheran High School in Evansville, IL starting July 1st, 2025. If you know of someone who might be interested Call 618-853-7300.

Next Food Pantry: April 9th 4 to 5:30 pm
3/19 Served: 15 Families=37 Adults & 6 Children
Pantry Needs: Popcorn, Brownie Mix, Cereal

Sunday, April 6th 8 am
 Organist: Sarah Koester
 Elder: D. Greeting
 Greeter/Usher: J. Busch
 Acolyte: Alexis Grandt
 Screens: J. Colyer
 Video: A. Colyer

Sunday, April 6th, 10:30 am
 Organist: Sarah Koester
 Elder: T. Search
 Greeter/Usher: L. McAulliffe
 Acolyte: Kenly Ackerman
 Screens: Kyva Meyers

Monday, April 7th, 6:30 pm
 Organist: K. Shimkus
 Elder: Scott Peery
 Greeter/Usher: Kevin Miller
 Acolyte:

Wednesday, April 9th 11am
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: Toby Search
Wednesday, April 9th 6 pm
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: G. Grebing
 Greeter/Usher: Doug Tolbird
 Acolyte: Caroline Herbeck

Sunday, April 13, 8 am
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: Mark Eischer
 Greeter/Usher: S. Newbill
 Acolyte: Abbey Heck
 Screens: Josh Colyer
 Video: A. Colyer

Sunday, April 13, 10:30 am
 Organist: Jeanine Consolino
 Elder: Charlie Consolino
 Greeter/Usher:
 Acolyte: Connor Crank?
 Screens:

Monday, April 14, 6:30 pm
 Organist: Jeanine Consolino
 Elder: Glenn Grebing
 Greeter/Usher:
 Acolyte:

Maundy Thursday, April 17, 6:30 pm
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: Charlie Consolino
 Greeter/Usher:
 Acolyte:

Good Friday, April 18 Noon
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: David Greeting
 Greeter/Usher:
 Acolyte:
 Crucifer:

Good Friday, 6:30 pm
 Organist: J. Consolino
 Elder: Charlie Consolino
 Greeter/Usher: D. Tolbird
 Acolyte
 Crucifer:

Sunrise Service Sunday, April 20th 6:30 am
 Organist: Jeanine Consolino
 Elder: Scott Moeslein
 Greeter/Usher:
 Acolyte:

Easter Sunday, April 20th 8 am
 Organist: Jeanine Consolino
 Elder: D. Greeting
 Greeter/Usher: L. Schmidt;
 Jane Stumpf
 Acolyte: Nathan Schmoll
 Crucifer: Kaylee Grandt
 Screens: Josh Colyer
 Video: Aiden/Andrew Colyer

Easter Sunday, April 20th, 10:30 am
 Organist: Jeanine Consolino
 Elder: Bob Thoma
 Greeter/Usher: Elijah Douglas
 Acolyte: Ezra Douglas
 Crucifer:
 Screens: Leah Douglas

Welcome both members and visitors to worship. 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.

The Order of Service Based On Divine Service I Fifth Sunday in Lent Sunday, April 6th 8 am & 10:30 am, and Monday, April 7th at 6:30 pm

Sunday, April 6
 8 am Divine Service
 9:15 am -Adult Bible Class in Fellowship Hall
 -Youth Bible Study in Loft
 -Sunday School
 10:30 am Divine Service
 2 pm Easter Egg Hunt (rescheduled from April 5)
Monday, April 7
 Count Team 2: L. Schmidt; T. Search
 5:15 pm Adult Choir Practice
 6:30 pm Divine Service
Tuesday, April 8
 7:15 am Men's Bible Study
 9 am Comforts of Love Quilters
 5:30 Trustees
 6:30 pm Elders



Don't forget to invite your friends and come to the Easter Egg Hunt this afternoon!

Wednesday, April 9
 10 am Ladies Bible Study
 11 am Lenten Service
 4 to 5:30 pm Food Pantry Open
 4 pm Junior Confirmation
 5 pm Lenten Meal: Fried Chicken Dinner
 6 pm Lenten Service
 7 pm Junior Confirmation
 7 pm Handbell Choir
Thursday, April 10
 Eve's Restoration Board Mtg (zoom)
Friday, April 11
Saturday, April 12
Sunday, April 13 Palm Sunday
 8 am Divine Service
 9:15 am -Adult Bible Class in Fellowship Hall
 -Youth Bible Study in Loft
 -Sunday School
 10:30 am Divine Service

The Order of Service Based On Divine Service I Fifth Sunday in Lent

Pre-Service Music
Ringing of the Bells, Greeting, Announcements, Sharing the Peace
Opening Hymn LSB 912 "Christ Is Our Cornerstone"
Invocation, Confession, Absolution, Introit, Kyrie, Collect (Prayer of the Day)
Old Testament Reading Isaiah 43:16-21
Epistle Philippians 3:8-14, **Verse**
Holy Gospel Luke 20:9-20
Apostles' Creed, Children's Message
Hymn of the Day LSB 685
 "Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"
Sermon "Losing to Win" Philippians 3:4b-14
Presentation of Offerings
Prayer of the Church
Sacrament, Sanctus, Prayer of Thanksgiving, Lord's Prayer
The Words of Our Lord, Pax Domini, Agnus Dei
Distribution & Distribution Hymn (s)
 LSB 430 "My Song Is Love Unknown"
 LSB 418 "O Lord Throughout these 40 Days"
Post-Communion Canticle, Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving
Post Communion Collect, Benediction
Closing Hymn LSB 917
 "Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise"

Order Easter Lilies by Wednesday, April 9th, 2025

If you wish to order a lily(s) for the church sanctuary on Easter Sunday, please fill out the form found in the Narthex & include \$9 for each plant ordered.

CONTACT US... Church Office: 618-281-4600

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 ✚ Field Worker Andrew Borseth (405) 519-2957 or Andrew.m.borseth@gmail.com

Lenten Service Schedule:

- April 9th Lent Six 11 am & 6 pm
- Lenten Meal 5-5:45 pm on 4/9 Fried Chicken
- April 17th Maundy Thursday 6:30 pm
- April 18th Good Friday Noon & 6:30 pm
- April 20th Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 am
Easter Continental Breakfast 7 to 10:30 am
- Easter Service 8 am
- Easter Service 10:30 am

Adult Bible Class 9:15 am

Our Final class on the book of Revelation will take place on April 6th. **Coming Next...**
April 13th = The Day Christ Died
April 27th = The Day Christ Rose

Children's Sunday School

Students will study "Forever Food" this week. Jesus sends Peter and John to prepare the Passover for Himself and the others. They follow a man carrying water to a home with a furnished upper room, where they prepare the Passover meal. During the meal, Jesus institutes what we now call the Lord's Supper. Through the bread and wine, Jesus lovingly gives them, and us, His very body and blood.

National Youth Gathering

The LCMS National Youth Gathering is this July 19-23 in New Orleans, LA. We have had a great time going as a group in the past! Please contact Michael or Pr. Krenz for the registration document.



Sunday, April 13th from 1 pm-4 pm we are heading to Camp Wartburg to do the high ropes course. We do need RSVPs ASAP to confirm our reservation.

Approximately 30 feet above ground, our high ropes course offers 13 elements that challenge participants to do their best. Climb our rock wall and fly through the air on our zip line. Participants must wear closed-toe shoes and have completed the High Ropes Waiver. Signed Waiver will be due on the day of the event. Age Requirements: Full Course is 6th grade and up. Climb/Zip Only is 4th grade and up. Speaking Christ, Michael Ewert (414) 795-8527

A Prayer for ALL SEASONS

A Prayer for all Seasons: This year's midweek Lenten service theme is based on the Lord's Prayer, which we pray every time we gather for worship. It is a prayer that will help us navigate every season of life. Do join us every Wednesday for the next six weeks as together we mine the great gift we have in this prayer.

The Challenge of getting another Full Time DCE or Deaconess

Over the past few weeks I have presented a few reasons why having another full time worker in the congregation could be of benefit in carrying out our God given mission here at St. Paul's. These reasons include better connecting to a number of young people who are already part of our congregation. We have over 150 under the age of 25 who are part of our congregation.

In addition as part of our long term planning process completed three years ago, a decision on such a position was to be made during this time period. One of the greatest challenges in having another church worker is the increased cost for our congregation. While the salary and benefit for this worker will vary depending on his or her years of experience, we think it could increase our budget by \$70,000-\$80,000 a year. Our 2025 working budget for the congregation is \$425,000, and this includes \$40,000 set aside for such a position. This assumes the position would start in the fall of 2025 at the earliest.

In various congregational meetings we have discussed using some of the funds gained from the sale of the parsonage or the historic church buildings to help offset for a couple of years the cost for such a worker. For example, the first year these funds could cover 30,000 of the cost, the second year 20,000, and on 10,000 the third year. Easing into the cost of a full time worker over a period of three to four years might help us incorporate a full time salary into our working budget. Continue to pray that the Lord of the church would give us wisdom as to whether another full time church worker is needed at this time.

(Over the next couple of months various posts will be placed in the newsletter/weekly announcements, giving information on the potential blessings and challenges to adding another full time church worker).

PRAYER REQUESTS

- † Steve Ottwell, recovery from neck surgery
- † Felix Vigil, Jackie Haberl's daughter-in-law's father, for healing, strength
- † Rick Gulin, having back issues
- † Renee Howell, daughter-in-law of Steve Howell, recovering from eye surgery
- † Todd Clasquin, friend of many in Columbia, recovering from back surgery
- † Rose Anne Bense, recovering from back surgery
- † Roger Roessler, cousin of Sandy Roessler, recovering from a stroke
- † Danielle Carroll, Sandy Roessler's niece, recovering from heart attack
- † Chris Schoenhoff, friend of Mike Arras, health issues
- † Barb Schneider, health issues

For Those Living With Cancer

Undergoing Cancer Treatments...

- Dan Schnindler, friend of Bob Thoma
- Gary Crawford
- Tasha Adams
- Robert Ebner, friend of Bob Thoma
- Ron Medley, friend of Bob Thoma
- Jeff Fitzgibbons, friend of Bob Thoma
- Scott Kensel, brother of Jamie Moeslein
- Virginia Schweigert, Theresa Mancarella's sister
- Sandy Cates, friend of Susan S. & Mona Newton

Additional Prayers

- † Family of Nancy Dailey, friend of Sandy Roessler, who died recently
- † Those serving in the Armed Forces of our nation
- † Those who teach in our local schools
- † Grace to use our gifts

Our Response To His Love With Attendance

3/30/25 8 am	76
3/30/25 10:30 am	62
3/31/25 6:30 pm	19
	157
3/30/25 Adult Bible Study	34
3/30/25 SS	16

3/31 Men's Bible Study	6
4/1 Women's Bible Study	6
4/2 Lent Services	9+31= 40

14TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S MINI-RETREAT
GRIEF--THE PRICE YOU PAY FOR LOVE

Jeremiah 31:13b ESV
"I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow."

Saturday, April 26, 2025
9-11 a.m.
Immanuel Lutheran Church
522 S. Church St. - Waterloo, IL

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

A delicious breakfast will be served.

Your Morning Schedule:
8:30 a.m. Doors open
9-9:45 a.m. Breakfast
9:55 a.m. Welcome
10 a.m. "Grief-The Price You Pay for Love" by Patti Sprich
10:45 a.m. Hymns of Joy
11 a.m. Departing Prayer

A bit about Patti...
Nursing has been my occupation but really ministry since I graduated in 1973 from Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing in St Louis. I retired in 2022 after almost 50 years. I have been a GriefShare facilitator for 25 years and a previous Parish Nurse at The Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens, my home congregation. I worked for over 20 years in Emergency Rooms throughout the US where loss of human life was seen daily. But grief ministry did not become my passion till it became so very personal. I welcome you to hear how our God turned my mourning into joy.



Pre-register or for more info:
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This retreat is open to the community and is sponsored by Immanuel's Women's Christian Ministry.

Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.

INGATHERING DONATIONS:
Any donations of non-perishable food items, paper products, cleaning supplies, and art supplies are appreciated. These items will benefit the Bi-County Backpack Program & Camp Wartburg.



Illustration of Easter eggs and a chick.