

††† **Our Week at St. Paul's** †††

**Sunday, May 2, 2021**

**8:00am & 10:30am Communion Services (masked at 10:30)**

**10:30am Confirmation Service**

**9:15am Youth/Sunday School**

**9:15am Adult Bible Class**

**2:00pm Elder Visits**

**Monday, May 3, 2021**

**Financial Count (Roessler, Essert, D. Nowak)**

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

**7:15am Men's Bible Study (Narthex)**

**10:30am-12 Visitation for Darlene Jacobs/12:00 Funeral**

**5:30pm Trustees Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 5, 2021**

**1:30-3:00pm Food Pantry**

**Thursday, May 6, 2021**

**11:30am Ladies League**

**5:30pm Board of Education**

**Friday, May 7, 2021**

**Saturday, May 8, 2021**

**11:00am Communion Service**

**Youth Service Project Day**

**Sunday, May 9, 2021**

**8:00am & 10:30am Communion Services (masked at 10:30)**

**Special Offering for Aaron Beckman & Alicia Benning**

**9:15am Youth/Sunday School**

**9:15am Adult Bible Class**

**2:00pm Elder Visits**

**WE THANK THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK**

Sat., May 1, 11:00am

Pastor Stephen Krenz

Elder: Roger Stechmesser

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Usher: Kevin Miller

Worship Screens: Josh Colyer

Sun., May 2, 8:00am

Pastor Stephen Krenz

Elder: Scott Moeslein

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Usher: Jonathan Busch

Worship Screens: Karl Nowak

Sun., May 2, 10:30am

Pastor Stephen Krenz

Elder: Charles Consolino

Organist: Jeanine Consolino

Usher: Marvin Luedeman

Worship Screens: Dylan Neils



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

✚ For **Wanda Portell** who is recovering from a broken leg

✚ For **Alice Jestus** hospitalized at Memorial Hospital, Belleville

✚ For Herb Simmons, husband of **Mickey**, dealing with health issues

✚ For Kathy Bergman, friend of **Susan Housewright**, who had major surgery due to multiple health issues

✚ For Wayne Mann, brother-in-law of the **Consolinos**, undergoing radiation and chemo for lung and brain cancer and in urgent need of aortic valve replacement.

✚ **For those undergoing cancer treatments/living with cancer**

Angela Heatherly and Elizabeth Kobal, friends of **Bob Thoma**

Gregg Beckman, father of Seminarian Aaron Beckman

Becky Powers, friend of **Sandy Roessler**, who has breast cancer

Ed Rehmer, brother of **Wanda Gross**

Shawn Malone, friend of **Sandy Roessler**, undergoing treatment

Tracey VanLeuven, friend of **Sandy Roessler** recovering from surgery

Carol Toenjes, sister of **Mike Arras**

Jan Hoffman, friend of **Sandy Roessler** Carrie Yates, friend of **Donna Lake**

Marian Ritter, daughter-in-law of **Dale and LaVerne Ritter**

David Mehrtens, brother of **Rose Anne Bense**

Hal Brinkman, friend of **Charlie & Jeanine Consolino**

Anne Marie Barks, friend of **Charlie Consolino**

Dale Vaughn, son of **Barbra Schneider** Ruth Ann Mitchell, friend of **Bob Thoma**

Cheryl Neace, friend of **Jackie Haberl**

**SPECIAL CONCERNS**

-For the family of Darlene Jacobs who was called to her eternal rest on April 26th

-In thanksgiving for the placement of Aaron Beckman at St. Mark Lutheran Church, New Germany, Minnesota as his vicarage congregation 2021-22

-In thanksgiving for the placement of Alicia Benning at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Manawa, Wisconsin for her deaconess internship 2021-22

-In thanksgiving for the baptism of Hannah Ruth Holman, daughter of Rev. Ray & Melissa Holman this Sunday, May 2.

-For God's continued blessings on Heinrich Theiss & Zane Ebersohl who are being confirmed this weekend

**OUR WEEKLY MEMBER PRAYERS**

Karen McCann Samanatha McCann Jessica McCann

Austin McCann Nancy Mergelkamp Rick Meyer

**Announcements**

**May 2, 2021**

**Philippians/Colossians Bible Study:** Join us at 9:15am in the sanctuary for a 45- minute Bible class which covers the last chapter of Philippians and the first chapter of Colossians.

**Worship Service Change:** We are planning to continue the 11am Saturday service through the month of May. Starting June 7<sup>th</sup> we will be restarting the 6:30pm Monday services. -Board of Elders

#### **April 20th Voters Meeting Highlights**

**-A Congregational Pictorial Directory** has been scheduled for August 14th and 15th & August 28th and 29th. Watch the bulletin for more details.

-We voted to have a summer Director of Christian Education intern named Sam Wagner, a Junior at Concordia Chicago. Her internship will run from May 24th-August 9th. She will be assisting with Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Outreach, youth, and various fellowship events. Thank you to the Consolino's and Moeslein's who will be hosting her for the summer.

-We decided to go ahead with some updates to the pre-school bathrooms. Congregational volunteers will be needed to help complete this project.

-It was decided to have a new security camera system installed at the outer doors of the church.

-A new purpose and mission statement was approved. (See insert)

#### **The below motions from the Board of Outreach were approved**

Motion #1 – To pray the Holy Spirit to empower St. Paul's Lutheran Church through Word and Sacrament to be a faithful, outreaching congregation with a pastor, trained leaders, and members who regularly and intentionally engage in spiritual conversations with themselves and others.

Motion #2 – To support and participate in the Community Canvasses the Board of Christian Outreach proposes to carry out in the next few years.

**Families/spouses together at communion-**While we do have markings for social distancing as you come up for communion, if spouses and family units would like to come up together they are welcome to do so.

**Thank you to everyone who donated, purchased and/or helped with the rummage sale. The youth group appreciates your support!**

**Free Will Offering for our Seminarians:** We have been blessed to have Aaron Beckman and Alicia Benning as our field workers the past two years. Out of appreciation for all they have done we will be taking a free will door offering on their behalf after the services on May 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Our Board of Christian Outreach** plans to purchase YARD SIGNS to be strategically placed in the yards of St. Paul's members. Help them select their design and message by placing a red X on your favorite of the three choices displayed on the table in the narthex and sign your name on the sign-up sheet if you would display one of these signs in your yard.

**Do you like free money??** Do you know you can choose our **youth group** as the not-for-profit to receive \$ from your Schnucks e-script card? It's free money and very easy to do. Ask customer service for a card or find one on our youth bulletin board by the mailboxes. Activate your card online or call the 1-800 number listed. Choose St. Paul Lutheran Youth account # 5000 453 66. Note this is different from their rewards points program when you input your phone number. A person can only use one and the rewards phone number would overrule the e-script donation. The youth Thank You!

**Our St. Paul's Preschool** is currently enrolling for this Fall. If you know of anyone looking for a preschool for a 3, 4, or 5-year old potty-trained youngster please give the director, Shelly Augustin, a call at 618-910-0764.

**Vacation Bible School:** Please mark your calendars for summer VBS which is tentatively scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Please call or text Carleigh Ottwell if you would like to help or if you have any questions. 618-719-9307.

On **Saturday, May 8th** the youth will be donating their time and service to help those in need of some work done outdoors. Sign up slips and a drop box is located in the narthex for those who would like to make a request. **The deadline to make the requests is today.** At this time we are asking for only those who are truly in need and limited in physical activity to sign up. Those who made a request will be contacted a few days prior to arrange a time and discuss the needs.

**Youth Sunday** for grades 5th-12th is scheduled for **May 9th.**

**A float trip** on the Meramec is also planned for **June 19th.** Times TBD

#### **Our Response To His Love With Our Attendance**

Worship Services: Sat., 4/24 - **28** Sun., 4/25- 72

Men's Bible Study: **6** Sunday Bible Study: **10**

Worship You Tube views 4/25 - **55**

#### **Our Response To His Love With Our Offerings**

General Fund Building Repair Fund & Renovation  
Received 4/25/2021: **\$6,932.00** Received 4/25/2021: **\$140.00**  
A donation to the Building Repair Fund was made in memory of Jim Gardiner by Roger & Kathy Stechmesser

It is with great joy we celebrate the Lord's Supper here this morning. If you are a confirmed member of this congregation or a sister LCMS congregation, please join us in this meal. If you are a believer from another church background and desire to partake of this meal, please first speak to the pastor. All may come forward to receive a blessing (child and adult alike). If you have not been here before and you desire such a blessing, please *cross your arms in front of your chest when you are at the table*.

*Those who are receiving this meal, can help in the preparation process by affirming the following statements.*

1. Am I a sinner in need of forgiveness?
2. Do I believe that Christ's real body and blood are present in this meal to give me forgiveness and strength?
3. Do I desire, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to amend my sinful life?

There are also prayers in the front cover of the hymnal which are intended to help one prepare for this meal and give thanks to God after taking the meal. Additional communion preparation helps from Martin Luther can be found on page 329 in the front of the pew hymnal.

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