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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

September 2013

Rev. James Bruner
Rev. Kirk Abatelli



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

*The September Messenger is
sponsored in memory of Mike
Ayotte from his family.*

"It does not seem fair that God would condemn people in the world to hell just because they do not know Jesus." I have to stop right there with this assumption. The problem is we, as well as the people we are witnessing to, need to realize that no one is condemned for not believing in Jesus. All people are condemned for their sins.

God will not condemn someone to hell because they don't know Jesus. God condemns them because of their sin. The Bible tells us, *For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad* 2 Corinthians 5:10. Everyone will be judged by their works whether good or bad. Revelation 20:12, 15 says, *And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. . . . If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.* Everyone's deeds are recorded in the books and everyone will be judged by them.

It is true God would never condemn a good, moral person, someone with no faults. A person without sin has no need to fear God's judgment. But Christianity is skeptical that there is anyone who is sinless. *None is righteous, no, not one All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God* Rom. 3:10, 23. Even a non-believer who has external signs of "goodness", if that person is truly honest, he himself will admit the sins and imperfections in his heart or life.

Even all those who have never heard of Christ are not condemned for that omission, but for their sins. Romans 1:18-20 tells us that every human being has enough of an innate knowledge of God and His moral law to render everyone "without excuse".

It is like someone carelessly goofing off on a ship. He falls off and starts to drown in the ocean. The captain gets in a life boat and rows over to the victim and pulls him up on the boat to save him. If the drowning person does not want the captain or life boat we don't blame the captain for the refusal for help.

We can be confident that God is just and does what is right. But God is nothing but fair. He is just condemning mankind's to sin, but not fair. Why do I say that? If God was fair we would face our punishment for our sins and Christ would not have had to. God is so unfair about our sin. I can picture Him saying, "I do not want my people to face this punishment. It is not right for I love them. I will take the punishment so they can be set free. I will take their sin so they will be blameless. I will die for them so they can have life. I will forgive them."

By Christ coming to forgive our sins on the cross, God offered us a way out, through His grace. Christianity is precisely for sinners. Christ is a lifeline, a means of rescue for sinners.

What about those in faraway countries who never heard of this lifeline, Christ? They had an opportunity but someone in their family long ago made a choice for them, "I will not teach my children, grandchildren, or great grandchildren about this God. I do not want them to hear about Him." The fault is not on God. That is why we are called to share Christ, this lifeline to all people, and when we keep our mouths shut, we are taking the opportunity away from them of hearing about Christ.

We are Christ's ambassadors to share Christ to all. For Christ has forgiven us for all sins because of His death and gave us life by His resurrection. For Christ has forgiven them of all sin too, and gave them life by His resurrection too. Let's share this lifeline of what Christ has done for us.

Spiritual News

9:45AM Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

✠ Pastor Bruner's **Lutheran Spirituality Bible Study** will begin a new session on the topic of "**Vocation.**" Vocation is more than your occupation. Among your many callings in life, you may be a husband, a wife, a father, a mother, a son, a daughter, a friend. The rich tradition of Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions proclaims and teaches the true meaning of vocation. We will meet in the school library.

New Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Heritage in Motion... another opportunity to study God's Word! Join the **new Daily Lectionary Bible Study** led by Pastor Bruner, that will meet on Wednesday mornings. You are welcome to attend the Chapel service for our school children that starts at 8AM or arrive at 9AM for the adult Bible study time. We will use the daily lectionary schedule for the focus of our discussion and study. The first study will begin on Sept. 4th (no chapel service this day since it will be on the Tuesday for the opening day of school). We will meet in the Council Room.

Musical Opportunities

Handbells

Mondays at 7PM

Worship Team

Wednesdays at 6PM

Choir

Wednesdays at 6:53PM

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM



September Scripture Readings

September 1st

Proverbs 25:2-10

Hebrews 13:1-17

Luke 14:1-14

September 8th

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Philemon 1-21

Luke 14:25-35

September 15th

Ezekiel 34:11-24

I Timothy 1:5-17

Luke 15:1-10

September 22nd

Amos 8:4-7

I Timothy 2:1-15

Luke 16:1-15

September 29th

Amos 6:1-7

I Timothy 3:1-13

Luke 16:19-31

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

I would like to offer an open invitation to all the men of St. Paul Lutheran Church and School (bring your friends too!) to study God's Word on the first Saturday of every month. We meet at 7:30AM in the school library and have a casual, laid back atmosphere as we explore God's Word and enjoy doughnuts, milk, and coffee. We are focusing on Heroes of the Faith. We pray that you may commit this small amount of time to God, knowing how hectic all of our calendars tend to be. Please come and check it out to see how exciting studying God's Word can be. I have listed heroes we will be studying starting on Sept. 7th through the end of the calendar year. If you need to miss a Bible study, we operate the study so that you will not be behind if you miss one week. - David Kaiser

Date

Sept. 7, 2013

**Oct. 12, 2013

Nov. 2, 2013

Dec. 7, 2013

Jan. 4, 2014

Feb. 1, 2014

Mar. 1, 2014

Apr. 5, 2014

May 3, 2014

June 7, 2014

Hero of the Faith

Nicodemus

Canaanite Woman

Ethiopian Eunuch

Melchizedek

Elisha

The Archangel Gabriel

Simeon & Anna

The Poor Widow

Thomas

Adam & Eve

Please Review This Scripture for Class

Chapters 3, 7, and 19 of the Gospel of John

Matthew 15 and Mark 7

Acts 8

Genesis 14 and Hebrews 7 & 8

II Kings 2, 4, 5, 13; Luke 17; John 6

Daniel 9 and Luke 1

Luke 2

Luke 21 and Mark 12

John 20

Chapters 1, 2, and 3 of Genesis

****Please note this study will be held on the second Saturday so that all the men will be able to volunteer their services for the Fall Festival.**

Inspirational Corner / More Spiritual News

Family Pets

(God is in the Small Stuff for your Family)

"All dogs go to heaven." At least that's what a lot of us believe. Dogs have such good hearts, even if they do lick a lot. If we take care of them, they are loyal, forgiving, and nonjudgmental. They love us for who we are (so what if it's because we feed them). We love our family dogs because we see qualities in them we wished we saw in ourselves (except for the licking). Although cats don't possess many qualities we personally admire (unless you consider sleepiness and general disinterest in humans as admirable), we don't mind having them around the house and even as pets.

If you had a family pet when you were growing up, you probably have one now. And if you have kids in the house, then you know that in addition to providing companionship and affection, a pet can be a source of instruction, especially for children.

The most obvious lesson we can learn from our pets is responsibility. Someone has to feed the dog, someone has to clean up after the dog. Someone has to exercise the dog. These are small, simple details that need to be repeated every day. It's called caring and feeding. If we don't do it, nobody will. Our pets are totally dependent upon us for their welfare and well-being.

When you take this care and feeding business to a deeper level, it isn't that much of a stretch to compare the way we provide for our pets to the way God provides for us. Having said that, I don't want to give the idea that we human beings are God's little pets. He didn't create us for His amusement, and He doesn't expect us to do little tricks or roll over so He can scratch our bellies. In fact, God created us in His image, so there is a likeness between God and us.

Just as our pets are totally dependent on us for their existence, we are completely dependent on God for all that we are and all that we have. Jesus addressed this care and feeding issue when He said, "Therefore do not be anxious saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'...and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" (Matthew 6:31-33 ESV).

The more we view God as a provider-teach our children to do the same-the more we will see that nothing is too small for His involvement. We will stop taking for granted our daily provisions and the small pleasures our family enjoys and begin to see when all as coming from God.

Who knows? If we really begin to appreciate what God does for us, we may begin to develop the same kind of unconditional loyalty and affection for God that our family pet has for us, only with the true understanding that God is our creator and provider. He loves us more than anyone else ever could, and He has our best interests in mind at all times.



The
Lutheran Hour

Lutheran Ministries **"Worship for Shut-Ins"**

September 1st

"Know Your Place!" - Luke 14:1, 7-11

Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Ahlersmeyer

September 8th

"Single-Minded Dedication" - Luke 14:25-35

Rev. James L. Elsner

September 15th

"On His Shoulders" - Luke 15:1-7

Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Brege

September 22nd

"Money" - Luke 16:13

Rev. Dr. Walter A. Maier III

September 29th

"No Power Over Me" - Revelation 12:7-12

Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Ahlersmeyer

Broadcast Guide

Sundays at 7:30AM WMPC 1230 AM

Sundays at 8:30AM WSAM 1400 AM

Sundays at 10AM KAWZ 89.3 FM

Sundays at 12PM WRDT 560 AM

For a complete listing, go to lhm.org, click on "Our Ministries" and click on "Lutheran Hour."

If anyone would like to support **"The Lutheran Hour"** mission outreach program, please mail your payments to: Saginaw Valley Lutheran Hour, PO Box 133, Frankenmuth, MI 48734.

Ministry Perks

Ministry Perks 2nd quarter earnings were \$26.48. Thank you to all who remembered to use your Ministry Perks card when making purchases at the Family Christian Bookstore! **What is the Ministry Perks Program?** Family Christian Stores track all purchases made by perk card members at any of the Family Christian Stores. A rebate certificate equal to 5% of the total spent is sent to our church to use any products at FCS. Free perk cards are available in the church office.

Calendar of Events

Karate

Tuesdays from 5-8PM in the Parish Hall.

Zumba

Tuesdays at 6:15PM in the Activity Center beginning September 3rd. \$2.00 per class.

AA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings every Tuesday from 7:30 -8:30PM in the Council Room. For more information contact Gary 989-710-6637.

Dorcas Crafts

Wednesdays at 9:30AM at Anna Tuttle's home beginning September 4th. Anyone is welcome!

Quilting

Quilting will begin Tues., Sept. 3rd from 12-3PM in the Parish Hall. We will meet each week throughout the school year September through May. We do not meet when the school is closed. We also have some weekend events planned: Sat., Sept. 21st & 28th from 10AM-2PM and Sun., Oct. 13th from 1-3PM.

Please continue to donate new or used items such as: sheets, light weight blankets, jeans, material, thread, etc. On Tuesdays and our weekend events, we cut squares, put together World Relief quilts, and tie off quilts on the rack. Please consider coming in and helping. No experience is necessary!! We also have squares to be sewn and material to be cut at home if anyone wants to help in any way.

If you have any questions, please call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Storyhour

Storyhour begins Thurs., Sept. 5th or Friday, Sept. 6th from 9-11AM in the Youth Room. St. Paul will again offer this FREE program for all preschool children during the school year September through May.

Each week the children will enjoy Bible stories, activities and a snack. While the program is FREE, donations are accepted. Craft items and snack supplies will be needed.

To join this group, come to the youth room on Thurs. or Fri. morning, or call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Public School Confirmation Classes

for 7th & 8th graders will begin Mon., Sept. 9th. Tentatively, we will meet every Monday at 7PM. If you know of anyone who wishes to be confirmed at St. Paul, please call the church office and let Pastor Abatelli know you would like to take the classes.

Free Indeed

Beginning September 9th, **Free Indeed** will be at St. Paul Millington. Free Indeed is a program designed to help those struggling with life's hurts, habits and hang-ups by showing them the loving power of Jesus Christ through a recovery process. This program is similar to those of Celebrate Recovery. We will have devotions, praise and fellowship time, along with men and women groups of confidential sharing to support one another in our times of difficulty. Free Indeed will meet every Monday in the Parish Hall from 7-9pm, is open to everyone, and FREE child care is provided. If you have any questions, you can call Jan McKee at [\(989\)475-2091](tel:9894752091).

Jr. Handbells

will be on Tuesdays at 7:15AM beginning Sept. 10th. Any student in 5th-8th grade is welcome. Just show up on the first day if interested. If questions, call Connie Rodammer 871-3065.

Stephen Ministry Meeting

You are invited to join our Stephen Ministers on Mon., Sept. 9th at 7PM to hear Christine Trish conduct a discussion on dementia. Ms. Trish is a nurse, County Commissioner for Tuscola County, and the Administrator of Heritage Hill Assisted Living in Caro. As a community service she will offer a 30 minute presentation in the area of dementia services available to seniors and available options for care. The presentation is informal and encourages participants to ask questions and to interact with each other and the presenter. In addition, she will also discuss the Virtual Dementia Tour which allows participants to experience how their loved one with dementia interprets the world. Please join us in the Projects Room Mon., Sept. 9th at 7PM.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline
Fri., September 13th

Scrapbooking

Sat., Sept. 14th from 9AM-7PM in the Parish Hall.

Pre register \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door. Great Food! Great Fun! Make New Friends!....and Prizes too! Bring your own scrapbook supplies, a dish to pass and beverages if you want other than coffee or H2O. Representatives from Stampin' Up, Creative Memories, and Scrapbooker's Hideaway will be set up with supplies, lessons, "how-to's", ideas and items to purchase.

R.S.V.P. in the school office or with Susan Jensen 871-4866 or at jenco33@yahoo.com.

SCRAPBOOKING MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME....JESUS MAKES MEMORIES THAT LAST FOREVER!

Calendar of Events / Miscellaneous

MILLINGTON FALL FESTIVAL



St. Paul Lutheran
Church & School
4941 Center St. Millington, MI 48746

Fri., Oct. 4 & Sat., Oct. 5, 2013
9:00AM – 5:00PM

Concessions Available Both Days

Fish Fry both days

(Take outs available) Friday 10AM-7PM,
Sat. 10AM-5PM

Cast Iron Bean Soup Friday & Saturday
Breakfast Saturday Morning 7-10AM

Activities & Events:



Antique Tractors
Hit & Miss Engines
Rope Making Shingle Mill
Barrel Train Rides Petting Zoo
Crafting Kids Games Food Booth
Unique Pumpkins/Gourds
Agricultural Displays Bake Sale

Carved Pumpkin Contest Judging Saturday
Jam & Jelly Contest Judging Saturday
Pie Contest & Auction Judging Saturday

Music & Entertainment Daily

Crafter space available: \$20.00 (outside)
\$30.00 (inside)

Supply own table and chairs

If you have any questions or would like to
participate please call:

St. Paul School Office 989-871-4581 ext. 4
Elaine Bickel at 989-737-7247 or
Diane Leach at 989-871-2634
Email: school.office@spsmill.org

September Meetings

Social Concerns Tues., Sept. 3rd at 6:30PM

Council Wed., Sept. 4th at 7:30PM

Stephen Ministry Mon., Sept. 9th & 23rd at 7PM

Board of Education Tues., Sept. 10th at 6PM

Trustees Sun., Sept. 15th at 7PM

Dorcas Tues., Sept. 17th at 6PM

Christian Care Sun., Sept. 22nd at 9:30AM

Elders Wed., Sept. 25th at 7:30PM

Voters' Assembly Meeting

Sunday, October 13th @ 1:30PM
Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.



Autumn Begins September 22nd

Area News

God does not want us to experience divorce, but it still happens. There are not many people around you who understand the pain your separation or divorce has caused. . .to you, your family, your friends. Jesus Christ can help you through this difficult time. **Divorce Care** is a special weekly support group and seminar available on Tuesdays at St. Lorenz Lutheran Church Office Room #107. The group sessions are from 7-8:30PM and begin Sept. 3rd through Dec. 3rd and Jan. 7th through April 8th. Call Michele Hoffman to register 989-245-8850.

Autism Support Group Thurs., Sept. 12th from 6:30-8PM at the Millington United Methodist Church. If you need childcare, call Kara at 989-615-6218.

Valley Lutheran 14th Annual Golf Outing Sat., Sept. 21st at the Bay City Country Club. In addition to golfers, we need support from sponsorships at several levels and door prize donations. Funds raised are designated to the Student Aid Fund to provide tuition assistance for students in need.

Concordia University 50th Anniversary Sun., Sept. 29th – Campus Tours 1-2:30PM, Program 2:30-3PM, Worship Service 3:30-4:30PM, Refreshments 4:30PM.

Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers will be moving from Tuesdays at the Millington Community Center to Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran. They will meet at 5:15PM in the Band/Choir room in the school. For more information contact manager Colleen Dewey at 810-245-2072.



September Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



Bryan Bassett	9/1	Derrick (Kip) Keinath	9/8	Denise Hoard	9/20	Kendall Leach	9/28
Carrie Mallard	9/1	Aja Robinson	9/8	Steven Kern	9/20	Ryan Ramsey	9/28
Jeremy McTaggart	9/1	Austin Steepe	9/8	Alden Rodammer	9/20	Monica Russell	9/28
Breanna Michael	9/1	Kaleb Meier	9/9	Ronna Bearss	9/21	Shane Brandle	9/29
Diane Blue	9/2	McKenna Peche	9/9	Joan Benish	9/21	Nancy Coleman	9/29
Tyler French	9/2	Darrell Smith	9/9	Arianna Casto	9/21	Sam Licavoli II	9/29
Cassandra Pappenfuss	9/2	Jeffrey Draper	9/10	Darwin Hecht	9/21	Bret Meier	9/29
Marvin Schreiber	9/2	Logan Figgins	9/10	William Hoard	9/21	Nicholas Reyna	9/29
Katie Wiacek	9/2	Marcus Jensen Sr.	9/10	Kenneth Platt	9/21	Andrea Cassidy	9/30
Gordon Laplow	9/3	Alyssa Keinath	9/10	Vonice Reed	9/21	Amanda Hecht	9/30
Addison Pashby	9/3	Michael McTaggart	9/10	Raymond Reinert	9/21	Christina Hiles	9/30
Shirley Snyder	9/3	Anthony Perez	9/10	Dale Blue	9/22	Jacob Holtsberry	9/30
Benjamin Weber	9/3	Clyde Sergeant	9/10	Lori Brueggemann	9/22	Krystal Hudie	9/30
Emily DeOrnellas	9/4	Cal Smith	9/10	Corey Daenzer	9/22	Martha Jensen	9/30
Cody Higgins	9/4	Richard Wiacek	9/10	Veronica Horning	9/22	Arno Keinath	9/30
Rhonda McGraw	9/4	Samantha Aguirre	9/11	William Bretzloff	9/23	Sharon Keinath	9/30
Ethan Murphy	9/4	Nancy Fritz	9/11	Brook Husted	9/23	Jared Petzold	9/30
Janette Reinert	9/4	Lana Glady	9/11	Autumn Okorowski	9/23	Jade Rodammer	9/30
Crystal Wates	9/4	Kathy Kirby	9/11	Thomas Devereaux	9/24	Cynthia Titsworth	9/30
Samantha Ayotte	9/5	Ronny Pavlicek	9/11	Danyel Dormire	9/24		
Kristin Erdman	9/5	Kristina Hibbard	9/12	Emma Hoard	9/24		
Stacie Farnsworth	9/5	Katelyn Kaschner	9/12	Raymon Hoard	9/24		
Pamela Hanlin	9/5	Barbara Kauer	9/12	Kenneth McKee	9/24		
Larry Henderson	9/5	Eric Farnsworth	9/13	Heather Petzold	9/24		
Luanne Jaruzel	9/5	Amy Hanlin	9/13	Sarah Schwab	9/24		
Jennifer Mays	9/5	Hannah Keinath	9/13	Justin Allen	9/25		
Gregory Mohr	9/5	Gabriella Laplow	9/13	Hailey ILL	9/25		
Marvin Rodemsky	9/5	Luann Licavoli	9/13	Hannah ILL	9/25		
Jeffrey Yorke	9/5	Jason Wirsing	9/13	Wilma List	9/25		
Clemens ILL	9/6	Nicole Engelhart	9/14	Brandy Bodeis	9/26		
Rebecca Meier	9/6	Dianne Petzold	9/14	Daniel Daenzer	9/26		
John Nitz	9/6	Pierce Force	9/15	Diane MacKay	9/26		
Elaira Pashby	9/6	Sterling Force	9/15	Norman Montle	9/26		
David Weber	9/6	Alan Petzold	9/15	Bradley O'Hearn	9/26		
Kaitlyn Woolwine	9/6	Janeen Witmer	9/15	Stephan Paquette	9/26		
Todd Ames	9/7	Jessica Harpst	9/16	Paris Rogers	9/26		
Caleb Beyette	9/7	Cheyenne Isetts	9/16	Shye Ruppel	9/26		
Katie Burleson	9/7	Joshua Minnock	9/16	Craig Blue	9/27		
Andrea Decker	9/7	Deborah Porter	9/16	Michael Blue	9/27		
Bruce Edler	9/7	Donnise Reinert	9/16	Rose Draper	9/27		
Gladys Fischhaber	9/7	Susan ILL	9/17	Heather Frahm	9/27		
Eric Hutchinson	9/7	Tracee Jones	9/17	Jaelynn Gross	9/27		
Beth ILL	9/7	Judith Pletcher	9/17	Reese Inman	9/27		
Mason Lyons	9/7	Nila Schmandt	9/17	Gail Lugg	9/27		
Mariah Steepe	9/7	Bobby White	9/17	Denise Sherman	9/27		
Alissa Anderson	9/8	Clyde Pletcher	9/18	Duane Weber	9/27		
Garrett Brady	9/8	Crystal Sebert	9/18	Kenneth Auernhammer	9/28		
Marci Draper	9/8	Tedd Burton	9/19	James Flach	9/28		
Cody Goodhue	9/8	Ramona List	9/19	Susan Flach	9/28		
Madison Jones	9/8	Steven Daniel	9/20	Tammi Laplow	9/28		

*Best
Wishes*



***God's Richest Blessings
on Your Birthday!***

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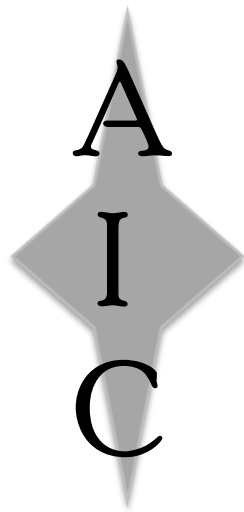
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Adult Instruction Class



Do you have questions about the Bible, the world, suffering, right and wrong, forgiveness, the purpose for your life?

Get answers, as we look at the myths about Christ and His teachings, and explore the truth about them in our **Adult Instruction Class**. We will provide a study booklet, "Luther's Small Catechism" and a Bible if you need one.

Dates: September 8th to January 5th

Time: 9:45AM

Interested? Please call our office at 989-871-4581 ext. 3, to prepare materials at no cost to you. After finishing the classes, if you desire, you can become a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. Confirmation will be Sunday, January 12, 2014.

We look forward to seeing you!

C.A.M.P. / Financial Report

College and Military Parishioners

Our **C.A.M.P.** (College and Military Parishioners) ministry is preparing for a mailing and we don't want to leave anyone out. If you are a **college student or are in the military**, even if you have done in the past, please fill out a form and return to the church office by Fri., Sept. 27th.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

College or Military Branch _____

Number of years in College _____ Birthdate _____

E-mail address _____

If you would be willing to help out with mailings or keep in touch with some of these members by cards or letters, please indicate that on the space below, as well. Any assistance in this area would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to help, below is my name and phone number:

Name _____

Phone _____

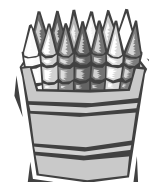
Donations are appreciated, such as: non-perishable foods, word search books, Sudoku books, gum, popcorn, Pop Tarts, cracker packets, phone cards, note pads, postage stamps, chapstick or any other items you think could benefit them. Please place in the Care & Share Cabinet in the narthex. We mail packages to approximately 40-45 members. If you would like to make a donation to this ministry, please do so by using a plain envelope marked C.A.M.P. and place in offering plate or drop off at the church office. **Thank you for your support** in this ministry. If questions, please contact the church office at 871-4581 or Connie Singer 871-2544.

Financial Report for Congregation – General Church Account

Carryover Deficit as of 5/31/13	(97,260.54)
June General Fund Income	101,864.84
General Fund Expenses	(86,896.17)
+ / - for Month of June	14,968.67
Ongoing Deficit to Date – includes Line of Credit Balance Due	(82,289.87)
**Line of Credit <i>Principal</i> Balance Due as of 6/30/13	25,817.71
Building Fund (Direct givings, Memorials, etc.)	14,152.80
Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials)	1,496.53
T.I.M. (Direct givings plus mission %)	901.43
VLHS (Direct givings plus mission %)	257.55
Energy Efficiency Fund Balance	\$13,974.67

We could learn a lot from crayons

Some are sharp,
Some are pretty,
Some are dull,
While others bright,
Some have weird names,
But they all have learned to
Live together in the same box.



–Robert Fulghum

Family Spiritual Growth Night

What is the Family Spiritual Growth Night?

This is a night where you and your family get to enjoy an evening of FREE food, wonderful fellowship, listen to a talented speaker and have the opportunity to grow spiritually and spend time talking to God and each other, which is priceless.

We ask that you fill out the form below and turn it in to the School Office so that we can plan ahead and have enough materials for everyone!

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Gleim at 989-871-4581.

Dinner Reservations For

The _____ Family

For Thursday, September 19th at 6:00 P.M.

at St. Paul Lutheran!

Please **RETURN** form by Monday, September 16th.

We need to know exact numbers (as much as possible), so please make this your official commitment. We hope to see you all there.

The people in our family who will be attending are: (Please list names)

MENU: Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs, Carrot Sticks and Ranch Dip, Chips, & Lemonade

Please indicate your best guess as to how many hot dogs and sloppy joes your family will be eating.

_____ Sloppy Joes
(Please indicate number your family is likely to eat.)

_____ Koegel's Hotdogs (with SKINS) in buns
(Please indicate number your family is likely to eat.)

_____ Koegel's Hotdogs (WITHOUT skins) in buns
(Please indicate number your family is likely to eat.)

☐

Our family will not be able to participate.

Serve & Volunteer / Memorials / Misc.

Opportunities to Serve and Volunteer

What's That Crib For?

WHAT'S THAT CRIB FOR is up and running. Please find a list of needed items for our mother-to-be in the crib located in the Narthex.

Social Concerns Booth

Fall Festival: The Board of Social Concerns will have a booth at our fall festival filled with lots of homemade goodies. All proceeds will go to helping others in our community. Please show your support by visiting our booth. Think "Christmas shopping", and let us help you with your list, while you help those around you by purchasing from us!

Greeters

Greeters are needed for all services to welcome guests and members before church begins. We would also like to have greeters for our special services. Please call the church office and let us know which service you would like to greet and if you would be available for any of the mid-week or holiday services.

Health Kits

Dorcas: We are getting close to filling the **Health Kits**. Still needed: 5 toothbrushes, 10 shampoo, 4 toothpaste, 1 deodorant, 4 hand towels. Items can be placed in the cabinet in the narthex. Thank you!

Nursery

The **Church Nursery** will be starting up in the fall. Donations of Clorox wipes, Clorox spray, paper towels, crayons, batteries, Kleenex, all sizes of plastic totes with lids, and pack & plays are welcome. Donations can be placed in the box in the Care & Share cabinet in the narthex. If questions, call Aurelia Brown at 989-680-3526.

New Baby

Oh. . .A new baby! We would love to welcome each and every one of them with a card and a special visit so, please let the church office know as soon as possible so we can celebrate too.

Christmas in July?

It's never too early to start thinking about Advent Devotions. If you have an idea or story, it can be submitted at any time. Please email to Laura at laura.gleim@stpaul-millington.org.

Sunday Sermons

Sermons are available on the website, www.stpaul-millington.org. The 8:30AM service is recorded and CDs are available on the wall across from the Chapel.

September 2013 MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN THANKSGIVING FOR Christian men and women and their contributions to church, family, country, community and society

Send Out Cards \$50.00

IN MEMORY OF Evelyn Haag

Building Fund \$100.00

Thank You

A special "**Thank You**" goes to Karen Bruner for all her work in organizing and preparing for Vacation Bible School. We couldn't have done it without you and you are appreciated!!

Thank you for the monetary gift given to the General Fund in honor of Sheila Haynes.

Fall Bible Sale

Concordia Publishing House is having a Bible sale for a limited time. Discounts on:

- The Lutheran Study Bible
- Concordia Self-Study Bible
- Concordia's Complete Bible Handbook
- The Story Bible and More!

If interested, indicate your choice of Bible, name and phone number on the sheet on the glass case in the narthex by Fri., Sept. 13th.

If questions, please call the church office.

Messenger Sponsors

Messenger Sponsors are needed for 2014. The cost is \$120.00 per month or \$60.00 to co-sponsor. Please call the church office if interested.

Room Usage

With the start of the new school year we have many activities and sporting events happening. **Please remember** – if you need to book the Parish Hall or Activity Center for an event, practice, or meeting, you need to check with the church office to be sure it is available. We want to prevent conflicts from occurring. Thank you!

Congratulations on Your Upcoming Wedding



*September 7th
Nicole Smith & Andrew Jaruzel*



September Schedule



Acolytes

September			
1	8:30AM		Tyler Bentley & Brian
1	11AM		Aaron Knoll & Gary
7	7:30PM		Mason Lugg
8	8:30AM		Justin & Joshua Allen
8	11AM		Eddie Meeks & Eddie
14	7:30PM		Ericka White & Brian
15	8:30AM		Katherine Weber & Duane
15	11AM		Kelsey Gronowski & Ray Peche
21	7:30PM		Alyssa Okorowski & Dustin Sebert
22	8:30AM		Sydney & Dustin Bishop
22	11AM		Garrison & Malachi Hecht
28	7:30PM		
29	8:30AM		Tyler Bentley & Brian
29	11AM		Jakob & Lukas Selich

Greeters

First Sunday	8:30AM	Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy Ill
	11:00AM	Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims
Second Sunday	8:30AM	
	11:00AM	LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel
Third Sunday	8:30AM	Natalie Smith
	11:00AM	Rosie Horning, Dale & Pam Hanlin
Fourth Sunday	8:30AM	Jim Bickel
	11:00AM	Anna Tuttle
Fifth Sunday	8:30AM	Donna Torrey
	11:00AM	Steve & Nila Schmandt
Second Saturday	7:30PM	Bill Bleuer & Betty Bleuer
Third Saturday	7:30PM	Laura Sherman
Greeter Subs – Denise Miller (871-2675), Sherry Sebert (871-3084)		

Ushers

TEAM B

8:30AM

Captain

March, June, September, December

Dwight Keinath
Michael Albert
Ken Auernhammer
Corey Harry
Mitchel Ill
Russell Ill

Ryan Ill
Luke Platt
Dennis Rodammer
Eugene Weiss
Bud Zeck
Mike Ziegler

11AM

Captain
Assistant

Richard Harpst
Jay Rodammer
Heath Keinath
John Petzold

Hans Schmandt
Michael Sherman
Rick Sherman
Randy Wolverton

7:30PM

Larry Beagle - Captain
Jim Jaruzel

Ed Keinath
Jan Snyder

Church Sextons















Mathew & Angela Ayotte
Ron & Ruth Mieske
Ed & Marcia Keinath

Ted & Katrina Wager
Rod & Nancy Wilson

Altar Guild

7:30PM - Diane Leach
8:30AM - Joyce Wager
11AM - Bonnie Wittum

September 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1  8:30AM Worship+C 9:45AM Bible Study  11AM Worship	2 <i>Labor Day</i>	3 1 st day of School 5-8PM Karate 6:15PM Zumba 6:30PM Bd. of Social Concerns 7:30PM AA	4 9AM Bible Study 9:30AM Dorcas Crafts at Anna Tuttle's Home 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Council	5 9-11AM Storyhour 5:15PM Weight Watchers ♪ ♪ 6:15PM Praise Team	6 9-11AM Storyhour 6PM Rehearsal	7 7:30AM Men's Bible Study 2PM Wedding Nicole Smith Andrew Jaruzel  7:30PM Worship+C
8  8:30AM Worship <i>Reaffirmation</i> **9:45AM See Notes**  11AM Worship+C 6:27-8:30PM All Youth	9 7PM Stephen Ministry Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	10 12-3 Quilting 5-8PM Karate 6PM Bd. of Ed. 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA	11 9AM Bible Study 9:30AM Dorcas Crafts 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir	12 9-11AM Storyhour 5:15PM Weight Watchers ♪ ♪ 6:15PM Praise Team	13 9-11AM Storyhour <i>Messenger Deadline</i>	14 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking  7:30PM Worship
15  8:30AM Worship +C <i>Church Choir</i> **9:45AM See Notes**  11AM Worship Contemporary 6:27-8:30PM All Youth 7PM Trustees	16 7PM Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	17 12-3 Quilting 5-8PM Karate 6PM Dorcas 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA	18 9AM Bible Study 9:30AM Dorcas Crafts 6PM Worship Team 6PM Spiritual Growth Night 6:53PM Choir	19 9-11AM Storyhour 5:15PM Weight Watchers ♪ ♪ 6:15PM Praise Team	20 9-11AM Storyhour	21 10AM-2PM Quilting  7:30PM Worship+C
22  8:30AM Worship <i>Free Spirit</i> 9:30AM Christian Care **9:45AM See Notes**  11AM Worship +C Contemporary	23 7PM Stephen Ministry Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	24 12-3 Quilting 5-8PM Karate 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA	25 9AM Bible Study 9:30AM Dorcas Crafts 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders	26 9-11AM Storyhour 5:15PM Weight Watchers ♪ ♪ 6:15PM Praise Team 6:27-8:30PM All Youth	27 9-11AM Storyhour	28 Youth Service 10AM-2PM Quilting  7:30PM Worship
29 Youth Service <i>Free Spirit & Alumni Sing in Service of Choice</i>  8:30AM Worship **9:45AM See Notes**  11AM Worship	30 7PM Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	**9:45AM** Bible Study Sunday School (AIC) Adult Instruction Class				



4:12 Youth Ministry September Events

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." 1st Timothy 4:12

Junior High & High School Ministry

SUNDAY, September 8th 6:27-8:30pm

Artist: Imagine Dragons

Song: Radioactive

Every human being is born with a radioactive sinful nature that brings destruction into our lives. The only solution is salvation through Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, September 15th 6:27-8:30pm

Artist: Macklemore

Song: Wings

Even though the world defines people by the clothes they wear, Christians cannot make that mistake. As Christ's disciples, we must not allow the way we love or value people to be influenced by the way people look; the clothes or shoes they wear.

THURSDAY, September 26th 6:27-8:30pm

Topic: Duck Dynasty Dynamite

God has entrusted us with the good news of Jesus Christ. We should NEVER be embarrassed or shy about sharing His message with our family and friends who don't know about Christ and His saving love!



September

Welcome back to our school year!

We are looking forward to a great year filled with learning, growing and strengthening friendships...especially with our best friend, JESUS as well as finding ways to walk in God's truth.

Our theme verse for the year, III John 1:4, focuses on ways to do that, not just during the school year but for the rest of our lives.

We have the privilege to welcome some new students and their families to the St. Paul Lutheran School family.

Kindergarten Keith Brown III, Hunter Dennis, Connor Erlenbeck, Grace Erlenbeck, Caleb Frahm, Kathryn Hayden, Madison Hoard, Angelina Knapp, Maddison Matthews, Jacob Matzke, Jasmine Myers, Brady Petzold, Aliyah Raymond, Jack Reinert, Easton Ruppel, Qwilleran Schmandt, Abigail Skouson, Evan Thayer, Anna Weber and Austin Wendland

First Grade Anna Reinig

Second Grade Nathan Selich

Third Grade Weston Reinig & Jordan Tyree

Fourth Grade Vanessa Selich & Logan Curtis

Fifth Grade Alison Reinig

Seventh Grade Katelyn Kaschner & Zachary Maas



September Sports



Remember to have your practice clothes, sports physicals and athletics fee for the first practice.

Soccer all games begin at 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 5 with St. Michaels, Richville

Sept. 10 at Christ the King, Sebawaing

Sept. 12 at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

Sept. 16 with Immanuel, Frankentrost

Sept. 17 with St. Paul, Lapeer

Sept. 19 at St. Michaels with Trinity, Reese

Sept. 30 at YMCA of Flint with St. Paul, Flint

Girl's Volleyball all games are at 4:30 p.m.

Sept. 5 with St. Michael's, Richville

Sept. 10 at Christ the King

Sept. 12 at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth

Sept. 17 at St. Paul, Lapeer

Sept. 19 with St. Paul, Flint

Sept. 30 at Immanuel, Frankentrost



School Musical Opportunities



Jr. Bells start practice on September 10 at 7:15 a.m. for any 5th -8th grader. Meet us in the church.

Free Spirit

Sept. 22

8:30 a.m.

Free Spirit & HS Youth

Sept. 29

Choice of Service

There are many events planned for the month; here are the dates to mark:



Sept. 3

First Day of School

Sept. 6

Wear your school theme shirt

Sept. 8

Teacher Rededication & Installation

Sept. 12

P.T.L. Meeting 6 p.m.

Sept. 17

School Pictures and Constitution Day

Sept. 18

Family Spiritual Growth Night 6 p.m.

Sept. 23-27

8th Grade Washington D.C Trip

Sept. 26

Dad's & Doughnuts (3rd -5th grades)

Mark your calendars for the
3rd Annual Millington Fall Festival : Oct. 4-5
from 9 a.m. -5 p.m.

- * Cod/Perch dinners & Bean Soup all day
- * Craft booths
- * Family Fun Activities

See you there!



Remember you can use our website to read the weekly school newsletter and devotion.

www.stpaul-millington.org

SEPTEMBER 2013 – DAILY LECTIONARY

LSB P. 299-304; with Psalm selections from : A Year With the Church Fathers --

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday												
1 15 th S. a. Pentecost 1 Kings 18:1-19 Eph. 1:1-23 Ps. – 47, 8	2 1 Kings 18:20-40 Eph. 2:1-22 Ps. –138, 135	3 1 Kings 19:1-21 Eph. 3:1-21 Ps. – 119:57-64, 108	4 2 Kings 2:1-18 Eph. 4:1-24 Ps. – 90:13-17, 107	5 2 Kings 2:19-25; 4:1-17 Eph. 4:25 - 5:14 Ps. – 56:8-13, 56	6 2 Kings 4:8-22, 32-37 Eph. 5:15-33 Ps. – 127, 128	7 2 Kings 4:38-5:8 Eph. 6:1-24 Ps. – 131, 77												
8 16 th S. a. Pentecost 2 Kings 5:9-27 Phil. 1:1-20 Ps. – 71:12-16, 69	9 2 Kings 6:1-23 Phil. 1:21--2:11 Ps. – 61, 59	10 2 Kings 9:1-13; 10:18-29 Phil. 2:12-30 Ps. – 58:1-8, 53	11 2 Chron. 29:1-24 Phil. 3:1-21 Ps. -- 44:1-8, 100	12 2 Chron. 31:1-21 Phil. 4:1-23 Ps. – 94:12-15, 94	13 2 Chron. 32:1-22 Col. 1:1-23 Ps. – 27:7-13, 31	14 Holy Cross Day 2 Chron. 33:1-25 Col. 1:24-2:7 Ps. – 38:6-16, 38												
15 17 th S. a. Pentecost 2 Chron. 34:1-4, 8-11, 14-33 Col. 2:8-23 Ps. – 1, 4	16 2 Chron. 35:1-7, 16-25 Col. 3:1-25 Ps. – 108	17 2 Chron. 36:1-23 Col. 4:1-18 Ps. – 130, 143	18 Neh. 1:1--2:10 1 Tim. 1:1-20 Ps. – 118	19 Neh. 2:11-20; 4:1-6 1 Tim. 2:1-15 Ps. -- 136	20 Neh. 4:7-23 1 Tim. 3:1-16 Ps. – 46, 54	21 St. Matthew Neh. 5:1-16; 6:1-9, 15-16 1 Tim. 4:1-16 Ps. – 55:12-19, 119:89-96												
22 18 th S. a. Pentecost Neh. 7:1-4; 8:1-18 1 Tim. 5:1-16 Ps. – 133, 119:97-104	23 Neh. 9:1-21 1 Tim. 5:17-6:2 Ps. – 51:5-13, 12	24 Neh. 9:22-38 1 Tim. 6:3-21 Ps. – 123, 99	25 Mal. 1:1-14 Matt. 3:1-17 Ps. – 51:5-13, 12	26 Mal. 2:1-3:5 Matt. 4:1-11 Ps. – 16, 32	27 Mal. 3:6-4:6 Matt. 4:12-25 Ps. – 91	28 Deut. 1:1-18 Matt. 5:1-20 Ps. -- 145												
29 St Michael & all Angels Deut. 1:19-36 Matt. 5:21-48 Ps. – 19:7-14, 34	30 Deut. 1:37-2:15 Matt. 6:1-15 Ps. 119:161-168, 63	<div><div>Did you know? On the weekends we are using the Three-Year Lectionary for the appointed scripture readings. Currently, we are in Series C. This Lectionary may also be read devotionally in the following manner:</div><table><tr><td>Monday</td><td>Tuesday</td><td>Wednesday</td><td>Thursday</td><td>Friday</td><td>Saturday</td></tr><tr><td>OT/1st Reading</td><td>Epistle/2nd Reading</td><td>Holy Gospel</td><td>OT/ 1st Reading</td><td>Epistle/2nd Reading</td><td>Holy Gospel</td></tr></table><div>In this way, a person would hear/read the appointed readings during the week in a meditative way. You will find the appointed weekend readings in the Sunday bulletin, the <u>Lutheran Service Book</u> and <u>The Lutheran Study Bible</u>. [TLSE p. xlviii]</div></div>					Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	OT/1 st Reading	Epistle/2 nd Reading	Holy Gospel	OT/ 1 st Reading	Epistle/2 nd Reading	Holy Gospel
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