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St. Paul Monthly Messenger

November 2013

Rev. James Bruner Rev. Kirk Abatelli



A Message from Pastor Abatelli

Greetings in Christ. Jesus says in John 15:13,

¹³Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Love goes beyond what we expect. It is a giving up of one's self for another. This is what Jesus Christ exactly does for us. He loved us so much that He gave up Himself on a cross, dying for our sins and the world's sins. He battled our sins to show how much we mean to Him. He rose from the dead so we would know and see that He won the battle over death, and showed us that nothing can keep His love away from us.

Love does not think of oneself, but the benefit of others. Real love never stops battling to keep a relationship. Real love is ready to give up "me, myself, and I" for "we, us, and our" and it never allows anything to get in its way. This love God has shown. It is an unconditional love, not an infatuation. It only comes from God who shows and gives us this love to show others. That is the power of God's love and Spirit to show this love.

A few years ago I came across a great explanation from Lutherans for Life for what 1^{st} Corinthians 13:4-8 means. Take a moment, read, and share with your kids what type of love God gives us to show others.

1st Corinthians 13:4-8

⁴Love is patient

- I love you enough to wait for you, not want you.

Love is kind

- I love you enough to be sensitive to your feelings rather than my feelings.

Love does not envy

- I love you enough to be satisfied with who you are, not with what I want you to be.

Love does not boast

 I love you enough not to speak of my accomplishments, but ours. sponsored in memory of Jeanne Jaruzel given by her husband, daughters, and granddaughters.

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Love is not proud

 I love you enough not to view myself higher than you, but as equal.

⁵Love is not rude

I love you and want to lift you up, not put you down

Love is not self-seeking

- I love you and desire to serve you rather than have you serve my desires.

Love is not easily angered

-I love you enough to smile at little mistakes.

Love keeps no record of wrongs

- I love you enough to forgive even your big mistakes and leave them in the past.

⁶Love does not delight in evil

- I love you and take no pleasure in seeing you hurt.

Love rejoices with the truth

 I love you and want to share in the joy of doing what is God's Truth.

⁷Love always protects

I love you and will put your well-being before my own.

Love always trusts

- I love you enough not to doubt your love for me

Love always hopes

 I love you and know that there are always alternatives to compromising situations.

Love always perseveres

- I love you enough not to give up on real love.

*Love never fails

I love you enough to look for opportunities among the obstacles in our path.

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In Christ,

Pastor Abatelli

Spiritual News

Adult Bible Studies

9:45AM Sunday Morning

Lutheran Spirituality – "Vocation" – Led by Pastor Bruner in the Library.

Adult Instruction Class – The Real Truth – Led by Pastor Abatelli in the Projects Room.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Daily Lectionary Bible Study - Led by Pastor Bruner on Wednesday mornings in the Council Room. We use the daily lectionary schedule for the focus of our discussion and study.

Men's Bible Study

Attention All Men – Pastor Abatelli is leading a Men's Bible Study Tues., Nov. 19th at 7PM in the library. We will be focusing on how to be a Godly man in a sinful world. We meet the third Tuesday of every month.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

HEY YOU GUYS!!! I would like to invite all the men of St. Paul (bring your friends too!) to study God's Word on the first Saturday of the month, November 2nd, in the school library with your fellow brothers in Christ. We are focusing on Heroes of the Faith. We meet at 7:30 AM and have a casual, laid back atmosphere as we explore God's Word and enjoy doughnuts, milk, and coffee.

To prepare for studying the Ethiopian eunuch, please read Acts 8:26-40. By the power of the Holy Spirit working through God's Word, we will explore times when we feel unworthy to come into God's presence. We will discuss the role of the means of grace in the life of the Ethiopian eunuch and in our lives as well. We will compare Old and New Testament writings addressing the death of Jesus Christ. Finally, we will examine how God used Philip's encounter with the eunuch to strengthen the eunuch's faith, and then ponder how God may have used the eunuch to spread the Gospel.

Musical Opportunities

Handbells

Mondays at 7PM

Church Band

Mondays at 5PM



Worship Team

Wednesdays at 6PM

Choir

Wednesdays at 6:53PM

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM

New Upcoming Bible Studies

David Kaiser will lead a new Bible Study based on the book <u>Twelve Ordinary Men</u>. This book explores why Jesus chose twelve men to help spread His Good News and we'll be faced with a stunning fact: the men the Savior chose were ordinary, but they were available and obedient to the Master's call, and under Jesus' teaching and touch, they became a force that forever changed the world. I would like to meet twice a month (one for reading the chapter and one for discussion) for the next year.

Our initial meeting will be **Thurs.**, **Nov. 14**th **at 7PM in the Council Room**. Please bring your calendars so we can plan the next few meetings. The meeting time, day, and location are flexible so please give your input. Please contact Stacey Force in the church office so we are able to order you a book and workbook for \$26.00.

Another new Bible study led by David Kaiser will be **Church Year Bible Studies** on Saturday nights at 6:30PM in the library beginning Nov. 9th and Sunday mornings at 10AM in the computer lab beginning Nov. 10th. There is no cost for this so please come and attend. We will continue this series until Dec. 22nd.

For the first class, we will acknowledge the reality of human suffering as the result of our sinful nature and the presence of evil in the world; delight in the promise of Christ to sustain us through every trial of life; and demonstrate lively confidence in Christ in our interactions with people at work and within our communities and neighborhoods.

Please review Job 14:1-6, I Thess. 3:11-13, and Matt. 24:15-28.

November Scripture Readings

November 3rd

Isaiah 1:10-18

2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Luke 19:1-10

November 10th

Exodus 3:1-15

2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17

Luke 20:27-40

November 17th

Malachi 4:1-6

2 Thessalonians 3:1-13

Luke 21:5-36

November 24th

Malachi 3:13-18

Colossians 1:13-20

Luke 23:27-43

Special Thanks



Many, many thanks to everyone who attended the Pancake Breakfast. Your donations will help the 7th grade class get closer to paying for their Washington D.C. trip. **Thank you** to all the students and parents who helped during the breakfast. Your hard work is appreciated.

Special thanks to the following for their donations: Star of the West for the pancake batter, Simon's Grocery for the hashbrowns, Rosati's for the ham, Shop Rite for the milk, Gary Johnson, Dawn Ayotte, Anjanette Kemp, Sandy Weber, Christy Ostrander, Jennifer Koch, Jerry & Jennifer White, Matt & Lanette Denome, Mike & Kristy Sherman, Sandy Fackler, Pam Maas, Marilyn Daenzer, Shelly Lugg, Deb Beckman, Dave & Erika Kaiser, and Sonny & Diane Bishop. Every donation helps and we thank all of you!

- The 7th Grade Class

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

October is gone and November has arrived. To many Christians, these two months are known for expressing appreciation for pastors and for Thanksgiving. We want to say **thank you** for the various ways you express gratitude to God for the pastoral ministry we provide. October may be the "official" pastor appreciation month, but there are so many of you that show your appreciation throughout the year. We are blessed because we are recognized as servants of Christ more than one month each year.

The reason we are pastors is because we want to share with others the Word and the Sacraments that God has provided for our earthly journey. When you allow us to serve you with these gifts each year, each month, each week, each day, it brings us joy. Thank you.

Your servants in Christ,

Pastor James Bruner

Pastor Kirk Abatelli

With God all things are possible. Matthew 19:26

On behalf of our school, we would like to thank everyone for their hard work before and during the Fall Festival. It takes planning and planning to make this event happen. Thank you to all committee members: Andy and Marlene Stratton, Elaine Bickel, Diane Bishop, Terri Jo Keinath, Pete Klauer, Beth Coleman and Sandy Weber. Through all of your efforts, this year's festival went well. Thanks be to God, the weather cooperated, little rain and no winds.

A big thank you to Les Maxson for setting up his sound system and allowing all of our entertainers the use of it. Thank you to Karen Bruner and Katie Abatelli, Ron Meiske, Praise Team, Puppens fur Christus from St. Lorenz, and Janelle Titus and Music Ministry from Caro.

We would like to thank Bob's Carpet Shop, Bo's, Cardinal Country Pizza, Central Shop Rite, Fairway Discount Store, Harry & David's, J C Outdoors, Jim's Auto, Dana Mac Vay, Dr. Vella, McPherson's Restaurant, Millington Chiropractic, Millington Community Center, Millington Elevator, Millington Pizza, O'Dell's Country Gifts, Terry's Tangles, Tiffany's Food & Spirits, Tuscola Recycling Center and Willow Spring's Golf & Country Club. Thank you for supporting our school.

Dads, moms, grandpas, grandmas, teachers and anyone who volunteered and showed support to our school by sharing their talents either in the kitchen, making popcorn and cotton candy, overseeing the kid's games and bounce houses, children activities, parking cars, transporting visitors by golf carts, driving the train or serving bean soup, we thank you. This festival couldn't be done without your help.

Trustees, every year we receive your support by parking cars, working in the kitchen or cleaning the building. Again, we couldn't do this without you. Thank you!

Thank you to Beverly Wanamaker and Lloyd and Norma Taylor for your willingness to run the Euchre Party. We were successful. Thank you for all of your effort.

Lonnie Kester, thank you for bringing bales of straw for us to use.

Last but not least, a special thank you to Sonny and Diane Bishop, Karen Bruner, Becky Dalton, Kay Keinath, Terri Jo Keinath, Pete Klauer, Nick Leach, Bob & Colleen Loomis, Connie Singer, Andy and Marlene Stratton and Bill Weber. The fruits of your labor were obvious as we left the building and the grounds as meticulous as we found them.

Calendar of Events

Free Indeed

Free Indeed at St. Paul every Monday from 7-9PM. Free Indeed is 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 Celebrate Recovery. We will have devotions, praise and fellowship time, and men and women groups of confidential sharing to support one another in our times of difficulty. Open to everyone, and FREE child care provided. If questions, call Jan McKee 989-475-2091 or Kenny McKee 810-577-2325.

Public School Confirmation Classes

Mondays at 7PM in the Library

Zumba

Tuesdays at 6:15PM - will now be in the Pariah Hall. \$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.

Quilting

Tuesdays from 12-3PM in the Parish Hall

Please continue to donate new or used items such as: sheets, light weight blankets, jeans, material, thread, etc. Please consider coming in and helping. No experience is necessary!! We cut squares, put together World Relief quilts, and tie off quilts on the rack. We also have squares to be sewn and material to be cut at home. If questions, please call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Dorcas Crafts

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

Storyhour

Thursdays or Fridays from 9-11AM in the Youth Room. Each week the children enjoy Bible stories, activities and a snack. To join, come to the youth room on Thurs. or Fri. morning, or call Lori Osborn 989-205-9873.

Breakfast Club

All students are welcome to enjoy breakfast and a devotion every Friday at 7AM in the Home Ec. Room at the Millington High School. St. Paul hosts Breakfast Club on December 6th. **Donations help make this ministry possible.** Items needed: eggs, shredded cheese, ground sausage, tortilla shells, chocolate milk, orange juice, or monetary gifts. Please call the church office or Laura Gleim if you can donate items or help in any way.

Harvest Dinner

Sun., Nov. 3rd
11AM-2:30PM in the Parish Hall
Invite your friends and family and join us for a
Three Meat Thanksgiving Feast!
Adults: \$10, Seniors: \$7, Children 5-12: \$5,
Under 5: Free. Takeout available.
Help and Donations are needed.
Sign up sheets available in the narthex.

Dorcas Bazaar

Sat., Nov. 9th from 10AM-2PM Soup & Salad Bar from 11:30AM-1:30PM Rosettes, Candies, Baked Goods, Popcorn Balls, Cookie Walk, Rag Rugs, Crochet & Knitted Items, Craft Items, Plants, Quilts and more!! St. Paul kids shop on Thurs., Nov. 7th.

Rescheduled Dementia Speaker!

You are invited to join our Stephen Ministers on Mon., Nov. 11th at 7PM in the Projects Room to hear Katie Creason conduct a discussion on dementia. Katie is the administrator of Heritage Hill Assisted Living in Caro. As a community service, she will offer a 30 minute presentation on dementia services available to seniors and options for care. The presentation is informal and encourages participants to ask questions and interact with each other and the presenter. She will also discuss the Virtual Dementia Tour which allows participants to experience how their loved one with dementia interprets the world.

Messenger/Calendar Deadline Friday, November 15th

Scrapbooking

Sat., Nov. 16th 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!

Family Faith Night

Thursday, November 21st at 6PM

Calendar of Events

November Meetings

Board of Education

Tues., Nov. 5th at 6PM

Social Concerns

Tues., Nov. 5th at 6:30PM

Council

Wed., Nov. 6th at 7:30PM

Stephen Ministry

Mon., Nov. 11th & 25th at 7PM

Trustees

Sun., Nov. 17th at 7PM

Dorcas

Tues., Nov. 19th at 6:30PM

Elders

Wed., Nov.. 20th at 7:30PM



The offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 28th and 29th.

Area News

Holiday Arts and Crafts Bazaar

Sat., Nov. 2nd from 9AM-3PM at the Frankenmuth American Legion Hall. Lunch Served.

All You Can Eat Cod Fri., Nov. 8th from 11AM-2PM & 4-7PM at St. Martin Lutheran Church, Birch Run. Adults: \$10, 5-12 years: \$7, Under 5: Free.

Valley Lutheran Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale Sat., Nov. 9th from 9AM-3PM. Luncheon 11AM-1PM.

Christmas Bake Sale Sat., Nov. 9th 8:30-11AM at Immanuel from Lutheran, Frankentrost.

American Red Cross Blood Drive Thurs., Nov. 14th from 1-6:45PM at the Millington Community Center.

Autism Support Group Thurs., Nov. 14th from 6:30-8PM at the Millington United Methodist Church. If you need childcare, call Kara at 989-615-6218.

Toys and Joys Event

At St. Paul Lutheran School

(Use the Activity Center Entrance on Center St.)

Saturday, November 23rd 9AM-12PM

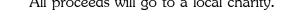
Want to avoid high prices for Christmas shopping? Helping hands would like to give people a break who need one.



Come shop at our Toys and Joys Event. Various new and used toys for all ages

will be available at great prices.

All proceeds will go to a local charity. Doors will open at 8:30AM - First come, first served.



We are offering our first Toys and Joys Event at St. Paul.

Greatly reduced priced gifts have been donated by people who simply want to share their love of the Christ Child with your child.

If you would like to donate items,

we are looking for any new or gently used toys for children and teens. Please include all necessary parts for gently used toys (smaller pieces in Ziploc bags.) Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated

for last minute shopping.

Donations will be collected Monday, November 18th through Friday, November 22nd at 3PM. Please drop off to school or church office.

We are looking for helpers for this event:

- 1. Set up on Fri., Nov. 22nd from 3PM-??
- 2. Workers on Sat., Nov. 23rd from 8AM-2PM
- 3. Bargain shoppers to help buy items for this event.

If questions, or to help, please contact Karen Bruner 871-2407.



November Birthdays in our St. Paul Family



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Kylie Gaval	11/1	Richard Milostan	11/10	Michael Soteropoulos	11/18	Tyler Auernhammer
Bradyn Henderson	11/1	Sean Pappenfuss	11/10	Amanda Stohon	11/18	Elishia Licavoli
Mackenzie Ramsey	11/1	Kaydence Pashby	11/10	Roger Wendt	11/18	Riley Reed
David Reyna	11/1	Ray Peche	11/10	Brian White	11/18	David Wiacek
George Corrigan III	11/2	Robin Rohn	11/10	Easton Aguirre	11/19	Earl Casto
Tammy Weber	11/2	Briana Schmandt	11/10	David Hergenreder	11/19	Sharon Cunningham
Trisha Ferrier	11/3	Nathan Weber	11/10	Dylan Holmes	11/19	Brandon Dormire
Justin Meier	11/3	Kevin Bastian	11/11	Conner MacKay	11/19	Bernice Hinz
Ashley Morrow	11/3	Donald Bierlein	11/11	John Clouse	11/20	Keira Wiacek
Suzanne Husted	11/4	Zachery Finatri	11/11	Bruce Edler	11/20	
Dawn Meacham	11/4	Nathan Bouck	11/12	Doris Gardner	11/20	
Melissa Petzold	11/4	Myrna Clouse	11/12	Gail Holmes	11/20	
Connor Erlenbeck	11/5	Madeline Hanlin	11/12	Leon Kuberski	11/20	
Grace Erlenbeck	11/5	Mildred Maurer	11/12	Joyce Wager	11/20	
Jillian Fackler	11/5	Maggie Cobb	11/13	Michael Yatsevich	11/20	
Chastity Fall	11/5	Janice Gordon	11/13	Stephen Beckman	11/21	$\boldsymbol{\beta}$
Holly Petzold	11/5	Violet Hornfeld	11/13	Jamie Fackler	11/21	
Charlotte Sayles	11/5	Diane Mills	11/13	Benjamin Shreve	11/21	0
Brett Bassett	11/6	Randall Daenzer	11/14	Nathaniel Kern	11/22	
Stefanie Compaore	11/6	Evan Hoard	11/14	Jenna Mason	11/22	
Charles Eilers	11/6	Judith Koeltzow	11/14	Hailey Paquette	11/22	3
Vicki Kabat	11/6	Brandon Rude	11/14	Christian Selich	11/22	
Hailey Ketels	11/6	Amy Saeger	11/14	Sarah Stewart	11/22	<i>+</i>
Austin Koch	11/6	Austin Weber	11/14	Danny Detgen	11/23	
Robert Opperman	11/6	David Williams	11/14	Annabelle Hayden	11/23	
Robert Ramsey	11/6	Aurelia Brown	11/15	Sarah Jolly	11/23	
Daniel Wood	11/6	Shellie Cerasoli	11/15	Amanda Maschke	11/23	
Steven Adamic	11/7	Michael Daenzer	11/15	Carrie Ratza	11/23	
Randy Hutchinson	11/7	David Derscha	11/15	Joel Smith	11/23	•
Landon Petzold	11/7	Harland Goodhue	11/15	Jacob Gorsuch	11/24	
Royce Shamel	11/7	Michael Griesing	11/15	Rodger Grulke	11/24	
Michael Sherman	11/7	Scott Koch	11/15	Emily Hunt	11/24	
Thomas Shufelt	11/7	Kellie Reinert	11/15	Lillie Keinath	11/24	S
Abigail Skouson	11/7	Ronda Sayyae	11/15	Shawn Bouck	11/25	
Tricia Borcherding	11/8	Rachel Schiefer	11/15	Joshua Lux	11/25	
Faith Damm	11/8	Daniel Smith	11/15	James MacKay	11/25	
Ashleigh Devereaux	11/8	Debbie Ulrey	11/15	Christopher Weakley	11/25	
Sharon Gross	11/8	Joseph Bassett	11/15	Jill Webster	11/25	\boldsymbol{e}
Paul Keipinger	11/8	Ann Beckrow	11/16	Brooklynn Damm	11/26	
Peyton Schmandt	11/8	Joshua Burns	11/16	Jill Erlenbeck	11/26	5
Amanda Albert	11/9	Douglas Davies	11/16	Harry Keipinger	11/26	
Sherri Fall	11/9	Justin Duranseau	11/16	Maddison Matthews	11/26	
Becca Jacobs	11/9	Ilah Fall	11/16	Emma Zeck	11/26	
Lori Keinath	11/9	James Henderson Sr.	11/16	Nicole Brown	11/20	
Monica Knapp	11/9	James Kribs	11/16	Kelly Lich	11/27	
Zachary Maas	11/9	Caden Heike	11/17	Jeremy Love	11/27	
Lester Miller	11/9	Justin Morel	11/17		11/27	$\langle \gamma \rangle \langle \gamma \rangle$
Stephanie Carlyon	11/9	Brandon Shufelt	11/17	Cory Stange Jackson Wooldridge	11/27	
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November 2013



Upcoming Special Services

Thanksgiving Service:

Thursday, November 28th - 10AM + Communion

Advent Services:

Wed., Dec. 4th - 4PM & 7PM

Wed., Dec. 11^{th} - 4PM & 7PM

Wed., Dec. 18^{th} - 4PM & 7PM

Soup Suppers each Wednesday during Advent from 5-6:30PM Free will donation

Christmas Choir Concert:

Sunday, Dec. 8th - 4PM

Children's Christmas Services:

Sunday, Dec. 22^{nd} - 6PMTuesday, Dec. 24^{th} - 6PM

Christmas Eve Service:

Candlelight - 9PM

Christmas Day Service: 10AM +Communion New Year's Eve Service: 5PM +Communion

Serve & Volunteer / Memorials / Misc.

Opportunities to Serve and Volunteer Shut In Gifts

The Dorcas ladies will be giving a small **gift per day to our shut-ins** during the Christmas season. Everyone is welcome to send in gifts/donations. Donations of stationary, pens, pencils, combs, snacks, word search puzzles, Kleenex, soap, shampoo, lotions, etc. are needed. Items can be placed in the box in the Care and Share cabinet until Sun., Nov. 17th.

Coats and Clothing Needed

We are in need of **new or gently used men's coats and shoes and children's clothing.** We also need diapers. Items may be brought to the 5th grade classroom or placed in the barrels found throughout the school. These items will be donated to the Saginaw Rescue Mission. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht if you have any questions. Matt. 25:36

Health Kits

Dorcas LWML: Abuse Center Health Kits items needed: 21 two gallon bags, 1 washcloth, 11 toothpaste, 25 emery boards, 6 hand towels, 10 bar soap, 9 combs, 16 shampoo. We have enough toothbrushes, band aids and deodorant. Thank you!

Giving Tree Update

LCFS has now become Wellspring Lutheran Services and the deadline for items on the Giving Tree has been moved up since they merged. Look for the Tree to be up earlier this year and gifts for Wellspring will still be marked with LCFS on the corner of the star. Please pray and if God is leading you to help with this ministry, take a star or 2, fill and return. All LCFS should be UNWRAPPED. All other gifts, please wrap. Remember, items for the family basket can be purchased and brought in all year round. Thank you!

Secret Angels

Please do not forget your 8th graders!! A month has already gone by and many have heard nothing! Remember, try at least two times a month please. Thank you, Betty DeOrnellas

Church Nursery

Feel free to bring your children to the **nursery** during services, as well as between, so you may attend Bible Study. We are still accepting volunteers to help. If questions or to volunteer, please call Aurelia at 989-882-7355.

NOVEMBER 2013 MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Helen Berridge General Fund	\$100.00
IN HONOR OF Dale & Valerie Peche's 55 th wedding anniversary Lutheran Homes of Michigan	\$55.00
GIFT TO Christian Care Committee	\$30.00
IN MEMORY OF Marilyn VanWormer General Fund	\$25.00
IN HONOR OF Ken Platt's 75 th birthday General Fund	\$75.00
IN MEMORY OF Clarence Reinert's 100 th birthday Student Aid Lutheran College	\$100.00
IN HONOR OF Richard & Linda Rohde's 65 th wedding anniversary Choir Fund General Fund	\$100.00 \$100.00
IN MEMORY OF Marian Schiefer's Birthday (Octo General Fund	ober 20 th) \$700.00
IN MEMORY OF Theodore Draper and Susan Hibb General Fund	ard \$150.00
IN THANKSGIVING for St. Paul's Youth Group Send Out Cards	\$50.00
IN THANKSGIVING for our Handbell Ringers Send Out Cards	\$25.00

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.

2014 Flower Chart

Please check the **new Flower Chart,** hanging in the church hallway between the mailboxes, for available dates. When signing up for altar flowers, please add your name, phone number and if you would like center or side vases. Thank you.

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.

Soup Supper Form

Soup Supper

tions are needed for our Advent Soup Suppers. Your donations greatly offset our expenses Soup Suppers will be here soon and your St. Paul Youth need your help! Donaand

	or the following Wednesdays:	uld be able to donate these items for the following Wednesdays:
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	Macaroni Noodles	Monetary donations
	Egg Noodles	Shredded Cheese
	Tomato Juice	Croutons
	10 lbs. Hamburger	Desserts
	Bacon Bits	1 Gallon Sauerkraut
SL	10 lb. Can Chili Beans	Polish Sausage
	Butter	Chicken & Beef Broth
	Cheese Slices	Nacho Cheese Doritos
	Loaves of Bread	Dinner Rolls
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Please return form to the church or school office.

Dec. 18th

Dec. 11^{tt}

A Few Things You Really Need to Remember

- Remember that your presence is a present to the world.
- Remember that you are a unique and unrepeatable creation.
 - Remember that your life can be what you want it to be.
 - Remember to take the days just one at a time.
 - Remember to count your blessings, not your troubles.
- Remember to be understanding, have courage, and be strong.
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 - Remember not to put limits on yourself.
- Remember to always reach for the best that is within you.
- Remember that nothing wastes more energy than worry.
- Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.
 - Remember that the longer you carry a grudge, the heavier it gets.
 - Remember to laugh.
 - Remember that a little love goes a long way.
 - Remember that friendship is a wise investment.
 - Remember that happiness is more often found in giving than getting.
 - Remember that miracles can still happen.

Miscellaneous / Financial Report

Staff Christmas Gift

An envelope marked "Staff Christmas Gift" can be found in your church offering envelope box or you may use any envelope and mark it "Staff Christmas." If you would like to show your appreciation for our staff, please place your cash donation in the offering plate or drop it off at one of the offices by Wed., Dec. 18th. Please remember, this is not a tax deductible gift and will not be recorded on your giving statement.

Scrip

Don't forget Scrip for Black Friday Shopping and Christmas Gifts. We have many cards on hand in the school office and we can order any available through shopwithscrip.com. If you need to order scrip, please let the school office know by Fri., Nov. 8th.

Something new this year - Fifty percent of the scrip discount can be returned to school families as a credit on their next year's school expenses. The other fifty percent goes to St. Paul to pay for the expenses of the program and to the St. Paul School General Fund. To designate where you want your credit to go, please fill out a form from the school office.

<u>Poinsettias</u>



The 7th Grade Class is selling Poinsettias to raise funds for their Washington D.C. trip.

The Poinsettias can be ordered to place on the altar or for your home. If you order one for the altar, it can be picked up after the Christmas Day service.

A sign up sheet is on the glass case in the narthex, or find a 7th grader to order from. Plants are \$15.00 each and can be ordered in red, white, pink, or marbled (pink/ivory.) Orders with payment are due Fri., Nov. 22nd. If questions, please call the church office. Thank you!

Congratulations on Your Upcoming Wedding



Dusty Higgins & Rachel Schiefer November 2nd

Advent Devotions

Devotions are needed for our Advent Devotion Book. If you have a story or devotion to share, please email to church.office@spmill.org, or bring it to the church office by Fri., Nov. 8th.



Financial Report for Congregation – General Church Account Carryover Deficit as of 8/31/13 (75,218.08)September General Fund Income 89,787.91 General Fund Expenses (97,605.88)+ / - for Month of September <u>(7,817.97)</u> Ongoing Deficit to Date - includes Line of Credit Balance Due <u>(83,036.05)</u> **Line of Credit Principal Balance Due as of 9/30/13 25,817.71 Building Fund (Direct givings, Memorials, etc.) 15,786.00 Missions (District, Non-District, Memorials) 2,067.61 T.I.M. (Direct givings plus mission %) 1,277.57 VLHS (Direct givings plus mission %) 365.02 Energy Efficiency Fund Balance \$13,974.67

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.



November Schedule

Acolytes

November			
2	7:30PM		Mason Lugg
3	8:30AM		Tyler Bentley & Brian
3	11AM		Jakob & Lukas Selich
9	7:30PM		Ericka White & Brian
10	8:30AM		Maylynne Wager & Ted
10	11AM		Shane & Owen Reinig
16	7:30PM		Alyssa Okorowski & Dustin Sebert
17	8:30AM		Justin & Joshua Allen
17	11AM		Aaron Knoll & Gary
23	7:30PM		Mason Lugg
24	8:30AM		Katherine Weber & Duane
24	11AM		Eddie Meeks & Eddie
28	10AM	Thanks.	Lillie Flach
30	7:30PM		

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	s – Denise Miller (871-2675), Sherry Sebert (871-3084)

Ushers

USHELS			
TEAM A	8:30AM		
	Captain	Phil Gordon	Larry Petzold
	Assistant	Ron Johnson	Peter Shollack
		John Keinath	Chris Smith
		Kerry Koch	Gerry Smith
		James Kribs	Gerry Smith II
		James Petzold	Jason Smith
			Andrew Weber
	11AM		
	Captain	Dick Gross	Seth Keinath
	Assistant	Arnold Petzold	Tom Keinath
		Steve Holmes	Mike O'Hearn
		Derrick (Kip) Keinath	Phil Petzold
			Mathew Slough
	7:30PM	Brian Glady - Captain	Dale Peche

Church Sextons Mathew & Angela Ayotte

Ron & Ruth Mieske Ed & Marcia Keinath Rod & Nancy Wilson

8:30AM - Renee Hecht 11AM - Pam Hanlin



St. Paul Lutheran School November 2013

"I have no greater joy than to hear that My children are walking in the truth."

III John 1: 4

God has richly blessed us with another beautiful painting of His autumn creation with a gorgeous array of color. During this month, we prepare for many special family events, let's set aside some time to really thank Him for what we have been blessed with and remember that He

is ALWAYS with us along that pathway, giving us His mercy every day!

Important November Dates

Nov. 1	Wear your school theme shirt; $\frac{1}{2}$ day of school, end of quarter
Nov. 3	Harvest Dinner
Nov. 6-7	Parent Teacher Conferences
Nov. 7	Students shop Bazaar, $\frac{1}{2}$ day of school
Nov. 8	NO SCHOOL
Nov. 14	Science Alliance: Physics assembly
Nov. 21	Spiritual Growth Night at 6:00 p.m.
Nov. 27-Dec. 1	NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Vacation

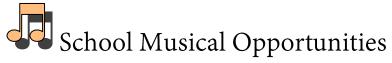


November Sports

We are thankful for a safe season for the girl's volleyball teams. Thank you to the players, coaches, parents and fans for your help and support throughout the season. Now we move into the basketball seasons. The girls start the play followed by the boy's game. Come and support the children as they use their God-given talents.

Girl's & Boy's B-team Basketball

Nov. 15	home with Christ the King, Sebewaing	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 16-17	St. Paul Millington B-team Tournament	TBA
Nov. 20	at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth	4:30 p.m.
Nov. 22	at St. Michael's, Richville	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 26	at Trinity, Reese	4:30 p.m.





Nov. 3 Free Spirit
Nov. 24 Junior Handbells
Kindergarten/Pre School

11:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.



See the school office for information about the many collection programs that we participate in throughout the school year that earn money for St. Paul.





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High School Ministry

Sunday, November 3rd 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Artist: Macklemore Song: Same Love

Christians do not have to compromise God's truth to show the love of Christ to others.

Sunday, November 10th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Movie Clip: The Lord of the Rings – The Two Towers

In the tough times in life, we must remember that if we have Jesus, we ALWAYS have hope.

Sunday, November 17th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Topic: It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, World

There is nothing wrong with anger; in fact all of us become angry, even Jesus did. The problem we face is that many of us have no idea how to deal with our anger. Whether it's a harsh word, an inappropriate comment, or a swift kick in the rear, we need to learn how to deal with our anger in a way that is pleasing to the Lord.

Sunday, November 24th 6:30-8:30pm

Youth Night

Topic: Thanksgiving!

The history of Thanksgiving and the inception of the holiday is a great reminder of how we are called to share the gospel and never give up.





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Junior High Ministry

Sunday, November 3rd 4-6pm

Youth Night

Movie Clip: Star Wars – Empire Strikes Back

True belief is backed by appropriate action. Lots of us talk about our beliefs, but do our actions back up what we say?

Friday, November 8th 7pm-12am

Junior High Lock-in

Cost: \$5 (covers food, drinks and prizes)

Theme: Costume Party – Wear your trick-or-treat costume or any other costume you want

(please be appropriate!)

Forms & Money are due: Thursday, Nov. 7th! Permission slips will be sent home with each student. They will also be available on our Facebook page or in the Church and School offices.

Sunday, November 17th 4-6pm

Youth Night

Artist: Coldplay & Jay-Z; Song: Lost +

People will come and go in our lives, but the one thing that remains-the one thing that is eternal-is your relationship with God.

Sunday, November 24th 4-6pm

Youth Night

Topic: Can you Stand the Fire?

The Bible says the old self dies with Christ and we are made into new creations. Yet sometimes, we choose to follow what God says when it suits us best. Some of us still gossip, look down on those who are not as popular, and make no effort to love our neighbor as ourselves.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
What Luther Says: Learn other help and aid against and to make bold to take hat nothing else, 1	1 All Saints Day Deut. 34:1-12 Matt. 21:1-22 Ps. – 150; 147	2 Jer. 1:1-19 Matt. 21:23-46 Ps. – 118:22-24				
3 All Saints Day (observed) Jer. 3:6 — 4:2 Matt. 22:1-22 Ps 15; 26	4 Jer. 5:1-19 Matt. 22:23-46 Ps. – 110; 108	5 Jer. 7:1-29 Matt. 23:1-12 Ps 38	6 9AM Bible Study Jer. 8:18 9:12 Matt. 23:13-39 Ps. – 118:25-29	7 Jer. 11:1-23 Matt. 24:1-28 Ps. – 121; 135	8 Jer. 20:1-18 Matt. 24:29-51 Ps. – 143; 144	9 Jer. 22:1-23 Matt. 25:1-13 Ps. – 147:1-11
10 25 th S. a. Pent. Jer. 23:1-20 Matt. 25:14-30 Ps. – 24; 25:12-22	11 Jer. 23:21-40 Matt. 25:31-46 Ps. – 143:1-10; 105:1-10	12 Jer. 25:1-18 Matt. 26:1-19 Ps. – 137; 130	13 9AM Bible Study Jer. 26:1-19 Matt. 26:20-35 Ps. – 116:12-19; 50:7-15	14 Jer. 29:1-19 Matt. 26:36-56 Ps. – 53; 55:12-19	15 Jer. 30:1-24 Matt. 26:57-75 Ps 51	16 Jer. 31:1-17, 23-34 Matt. 27:1-10 Ps. – 54; 139:7-18
17 26 th S. a. Pent. Jer. 33:1-22 Matt. 27:11-32 Ps 148	18 Jer. 37:1-21 Matt. 27:33-56 Ps. – 22	19 Jer. 38:1-28 Matt. 27:57-66 Ps. – 20; 18:25-34	20 9AM Bible Study Dan. 1:1-21 Matt. 28:1-20 Ps. – Ps. 118:19-29	21 Dan. 2:1-23 Rev. 18:1-24 Ps. – 114; 16	22 Dan. 2:24-49 Rev. 19:1-21 Ps. 111; 92:1-8	23 Dan. 3:1-30 Rev. 20:1-15 Ps. – 39:4-12; 38:12-22
24 Last S. of the Church Year Dan. 4:1-37 Rev. 21:1-8 Ps 41	25 Dan. 5:1-30 Rev. 21:9-27 Ps 48	26 Dan. 6:1-28 Rev. 22:1-21 Ps. – 75; 108	27 9AM Bible Study Advent Season Is. 1:1-28 1 Pt. 1:1-12 Ps 66	28 Thanksgiving Day Is. 2:1-22 1 Pt. 1:13-25 Ps. – 102:13-17; 85	29 Is. 5:1-25 1 Pt. 2:1-12 Ps. – 118:19-24	30 Is. 6:1 7:9 1 Pt. 2:13-25 Ps 123; 7

What Luther Says: (2185 "Come, Lord Jesus" – Rev. 22:20) May our Lord Jesus Christ perfect His work which He has begun in us, and may He hasten that Day of our redemption for which, by the grace of God, we long with uplifted heads and for which we sigh and wait in pure faith and with a good conscience. In these we have served an ungrateful world, which is the incorrigible enemy of its own salvation, to say nothing of our salvation. Come, Lord Jesus! And let him who loves Thee say: Come, Lord Jesus! Amen.²

^{1, 2} What Luther Says, Plass.

November 2013						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
** Notes ** Bible Study Sunday School Adult Instruction Class					1 1/2 Day of School 9-11AM Storyhour 6PM Rehearsal	2 7:30AM Men's Bible Study 3:30PM Wedding Dusty Higgins Rachel Schiefer 7:30PM Worship
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8:30AM Worship+C Handbells 9:45AM **See Notes** 11AM Worship Free Spirit 11AM-2:30PM Harvest Dinner 4-6PM Jr. Youth	1PM Dorcas Popcorn Ball Making 7PM Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	12-3 Quilting 6PM Board of Ed. 6:15PM Zumba 6:30PM Social Concerns 7:30PM AA	9AM Bible Study 9:30AM Dorcas Crafts 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir	1/2 Day of School Kid's Day at Bazaar 6:15PM Zumba 6:15PM Praise Team	No School 7PM-12AM Jr. High Lock-In	10AM-2PM Dorcas Bazaar 11:30AM-1:30PM Soup & Salad Bar
6:30-8:30PM HS Youth			7:30PM Council			Worship+C
8:30AM Worship Instrumental Ensemble 9:45AM **See Notes** 11AM Worship+C Instrumental Ensemble 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth	7PM Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed Stephen Ministry	12-3 Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 7:30PM AA	9AM Bible Study 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir	9-11AM Storyhour 9-11AM Storyhour 6:15PM Praise Team 6:15PM Zumba 7PM Bible Study Meeting	9-11AM Storyhour Messenger Deadline	9AM-7PM Scrapbooking 7:30PM Worship
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
8:30AM Worship+C Men's Choir/Brass 9:45AM **See Notes** 11AM Worship Contemporary 4-6 Jr. Youth 6:30-8:30PM HS Youth 7PM Trustees	7PM Public School Confirmation Handbells Free Indeed	12-3 Quilting 6:15PM Zumba 6:30PM Dorcas 7:30PM Heroes 7:30PM AA	9AM Bible Study 6PM Worship Team 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders	9-11AM Storyhour 6PM Family Faith Night 。。 6:15PM Praise Team	9-11AM Storyhour	9AM-12PM Toys and Joys 7:30PM Worship+C
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