

“Return to the Word”



*St. Paul Lutheran Church
2013 Annual Report
and Directory*

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Annual Report of
Parish Activities

Membership and
Family Directory

2013

St. Paul Evangelical
Lutheran Church

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2014 PARISH DATES & TIMES

St. Paul Lutheran Church
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Office Hours: 8:00AM – 4:00PM
Church Secretaries: Stacey Force & Terri Jo Keinath
Director of Accounting: Pam Maas

Worship Services:

Saturday—7:30PM
Sunday—8:30AM & 11:00AM
Contemporary Service
3rd & 4th Sunday at 11AM
Youth Service every 5th Sunday

Holy Communion:

8:30AM - 1st & 3rd Sunday
11:00AM - 2nd & 4th Sunday
7:30PM Saturday, prior to 2nd & 4th Sunday

Meeting Days & Times

Voters' Assembly

February, April, June, August, October, & December

Church Council

1st Wednesday at 7:30PM
(During Lent & Advent 8PM)

Elders

4th Wednesday at 7:30PM
(During Lent & Advent 8PM)

Please consult weekly worship folders, the monthly Messenger, and the website for additional information on these and other events. Please feel free to call the church office during business hours.

March 5th	Ash Wednesday Lenten Services Wednesdays March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9 4PM & 7PM 5:00-6:30PM Soup Supper
April 13th	Palm Sunday
April 17th	Maundy Thursday+C - 7PM
April 18th	Good Friday -1:30PM & Tenebrae—7PM
April 20th	Easter Worship 6:30AM 8:30AM+C & 11AM+C
May 4th	8 th Grade Confirmation - 11AM
May 11th	1 st Communion - 11AM
May 29th	Ascension Day Service - 7PM
June 8th	Pentecost
June 8th	8 th Grade Graduation – 8:30AM
June 15th	Heritage Sunday 10AM service only (no Saturday service)
July 6th	Faithful Freedom Sunday
Oct. 26th	Reformation Sunday
Nov. 2nd	All Saint's Day
Nov. 27th	Thanksgiving Day - 10AM+C
	Advent Services - 4PM & 7PM Dec. 3, 10, 17 Soup suppers from 5–6:30PM
Dec. 7th	4PM Christmas Concert
Dec. 21st	6PM Children's Christmas Program
Dec. 24th	6PM Children's Christmas Program
Dec. 24th	9PM Candlelight Service
Dec. 25th	10AM+C Christmas Day
Dec. 31st	5PM New Year's Eve Service +C

Helpful Information

When entering the hospital: notify the church office the date and hospital you will be entering, so the pastors may serve you while hospitalized. Due to privacy laws, we are not always aware of member hospitalization.

To request a prayer in church: call the church office with the specific request by Friday. For last minute, before-the-service requests, write the name of the person for whom the prayer is requested and the specific reason and give it to the officiating Pastor or elder.

To request a prayer from the prayer chain: contact Mrs. Lela Higgins at 871-3662.

To place flowers on the altar for church services: 1) reserve date by signing the Flower Chart in the hall between the church mailboxes; 2) call church office before noon on Wednesday for notice in the bulletin; and 3) order flowers, asking them to be delivered to the church by Saturday at 10AM. Flowers may be purchased for the altar (one bouquet), the side vases (two bouquets), the pulpit vase, or the lecturn vase. Only natural flowers and/or plants may be used in the chancel.

At the time of a death: contact the pastor immediately and he will help you make all arrangements. Funeral services for members may be held in the sanctuary or the Memorial Chapel. The church makes every effort to accommodate the needs of the family in planning funeral services. Arrangements for organ and vocal music are made through the pastor and Director of Music. If a luncheon is desired, the family should contact the church office or pastor with the anticipated number of family members and friends attending.

Baptisms: To schedule a Baptism, call the church office. Baptisms are normally scheduled in any worship service where Holy Communion is not scheduled. Private baptisms may be scheduled any time in the Memorial Chapel.

When unable to commune at church: call one of our pastors to request a private communion in your home. These are made on a monthly basis for as long as necessary.

Memorial Cards: Within the Lutheran Church it has been a custom for many years to honor departed family and friends with a memorial card, which involves a small donation to a favorite charity or fund of the congregation. Memorial cards are available in the church office.

To join St. Paul Lutheran Church: A person may join our parish by being baptized and through the Rite of Confirmation. Adult Instruction Classes are offered once or twice a year. Call the church office for exact starting dates and further information. LCMS members from another church may also transfer their membership into St. Paul.

When moving: inform the church office you are leaving and request a transfer of membership or release. Before requesting a transfer, be sure to contact the pastor of your new church and advise him of your intentions. Request a "transfer" to another Missouri Synod Lutheran Church. Request a "release" to any other church body. When resigning membership, it is courteous to inform the congregation of your resignation in writing.

Address or Phone Number Changes: Please inform the church office. Extra postage is paid when mailings are returned.

Cradle Roll: Children baptized at St. Paul are automatically enrolled in our Cradle Roll. The child being baptized is given a Children's Picture Bible and the family has their picture posted on the board in the church hallway and has members pray for them. If questions call Sherry Sebert 871-3084.

Books & CD Library: provides Christian books, videos and CD's for our members to use. It is located in the corridor leading to the narthex and church. The weekly church services are recorded on CD's for those unable to attend services. Contact the church office if interested in obtaining a CD.

Parish Hall, Projects Room or Pavilion Rental: call the church office. There will be a fee charged, depending on the use. The Projects Room is not available during the school year.

Off to college? Military Service? The congregation seeks to keep in touch with young people away at college or in the military service. Please notify the church office of the address away from home and help us to keep it current.

St. Paul Trust Investment Fund: is an opportunity to build the principal in an account and to enable the interest to fund church related projects. Investments are received anytime. Applications for funding are received during February each year.

A Word from Pastor Bruner

Dear Fellow Servants of Jesus Christ,

Another year has gone and now we look back at the many memories of our church family. If you are like me, I especially notice the names of people with whom I have had special times. The year began celebrating servants within the church. We acknowledged the dedication of two retiring Sextons – Elmer Snover and Rodger Grulke (and should also note their spouses Mary and Judy) who served the congregation in many ways. Their service was not always seen but it contributed so much to the ministry of our church. We also recognized another servant who helped behind the scenes as janitor - Nancy Wilson. We gave earthly recognition to these three, but as I reflect on 2013 I am reminded that they will one day receive the recognition that other saints from our congregation received when they entered into their eternal glory. I thank God for all the brothers and sisters in Christ who have lived their faith and blessed others by their service. Read and reflect upon our members who died in 2013, but also received eternal life as a result of their faith in Jesus Christ. Over the past year, God has continued to bless us through one another. This annual report includes your name, and I take special note of you as well. I am also grateful to God for your service done for the sake of Jesus.

Remembering the past, especially the people, is part of the heritage of our congregation. This past year we focused on how our "Heritage" has been "in Motion." The gift of faith we have received is what motivates us to continue in motion. This past year, we encouraged everyone to look at how the grace and mercy shown to us through Jesus motivates all of us to be part of this "Heritage in Motion." As we continue to receive God's Word and Sacraments, God equips us to share our abilities and resources through service inside and outside the church community. As the Apostle Peter wrote in his second letter (3:18), "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen." I hope you have spent more time in the Word and fellowship of the church as a result of this emphasis.

Each year we face change. God provides new ways to accomplish the same mission of reaching those who do not yet believe in Jesus. We thank God for the ministry of our sister Elaine Bickel, who has served in the teaching ministry and as principal of our school. She has been a blessing to our task of sharing Jesus with children of all ages. Linda Henderson and Dianne Weber have also served faithfully, but all three will be retiring in June 2014. These changes make us sad, but we are reminded that God says to each of them and to us, "For I know the plans I have for you... plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" (Jer. 29:11). Helping others become disciples (students) of Jesus is always our calling. For this reason St. Paul Lutheran looks to God for guidance through His Word. We continue to walk together as an individual congregation but also with others in the Saginaw Bay region through the efforts of L.E.A.P. (Lutheran Education Advancement Plan) and the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, which met in convention during the summer. We join our fellow Lutherans to discuss ministry needs and new ways to accomplish the Great Commission in these changing times. It remains critical for all of us to rely upon the unchanging Word of our unchanging God. It is God who does not change the message of His Law for the sinner and Gospel for each sinner who relies upon Jesus for their justification. Thankfully, this Good News will never change.

Remember – you matter to God and you matter to me,

Rev. James R. Bruner, Administrative Pastor - 1 John 4:10-11

Pastor Abatelli

"Returning to the Word"

"I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the

LORD. Jeremiah 23:3-4

We turn on the TV and watch the news or read the paper and are filled with gloom and hopelessness. We hear about atheists being loud and pushing their agenda. We hear about statistics that say the "nons" are growing - people who believe in God but have no religious affiliation. It seems hopeless and hard to believe in God's Words in Jeremiah. But with God there is always hope.

[God] will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; He will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth. Isaiah 11:12

That banner is Christ and His Words. For Christ has swept away our offenses like a cloud, our sins like the morning mist. We return to God for He has redeemed us! *Isaiah 44:22*. Through Christ's death and resurrection God has redeemed us, forgiven our sins and given us life. Because of that banner people are returning to God. God gave us a banner to hold up high. His Word is true. Through His Words people are returning to Christ.

For it is his mouth that has given the order, and his Spirit will gather them together. Isaiah 34:16c

This past year through profession of faith and confirmation we welcomed 36 people to our church family. Through baptism, 26 were welcomed as God's children. Through St. Paul's Christian day school 237 Students were taught about Christ. Countless others were witnessed to through: our worship services, service to the community, mission funds sent to missionaries, and personal witness. People are drawn to God's banner (Christ and His Words). God has kept His Word and promise, we also have returned to the banner of Christ, His cross, and reading of His Word.

Pastor Abatelli
Associate Pastor

President's Report

"We are God's servants, saved by grace, through faith, commissioned to share the Word of Christ to all."

You may have seen this printed, or on the screen at the beginning of worship service. This is one of the many things that are new from 2013. Our congregation has adopted this as the St. Paul Mission Statement. Please take time to examine what the mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church is.

There are so many opportunities at St. Paul for people to grow in their faith. 2013 has been the beginning of a demonstration of that. Through bible study, stewardship, and engagement, more and more of us are seeing what we have to offer for Him.

One of the major goals has been an increase in getting people in The Word. While maybe not as much as we might like, Bible studies have grown. There have been and are many opportunities to be part of a bible study at church or in someone's (including your) home.

While our debt certainly has its highs and lows, we are taking steps to move in the right direction. The Seeds of Thanksgiving activity demonstrated what we can really do for His kingdom. As expenses, especially in health care, continue to rise, we have been able to make a dent in our deficit. If we prayerfully consider what we give, and how we use our time and talents, this concern will be gone.

Our Activity Center is certainly a gift. It is now used so much that we have to find ways to get time for people to use it. Our trustees certainly keep busy with an ever growing campus to tend to.

Church attendance has been, and will be one of our main goals here at St. Paul. We need to encourage our members, as well as the unchurched, to come and be engaged at the ministry we have. Engaged is the important word. Each and every member of our congregation has special talents, and we have a spot for them within our church. Please give of your time and talents in this way.

Please continue to pray for St. Paul. While we at times face challenges, the work that is being done is truly making a difference in the lives of our community, congregation, and to all.

Parish Officers 2014

Executive Officers

President

14 Jeff Yorke

Vice President

15 Vacant

Secretary

15 Ed Hunt

Treasurer

14 Steve Kern

Education

16 Eddie Meeks

14 Beth Ill

14 Tricia Slough

15 Diane Bishop

15 Mike Hoard

16 Jay Rodammer

Elders

15 Tim Brown

14 Phil Gordon

14 Larry Ill

14 Ed Sergent

15 David Kaiser

15 Jim Kribs

16 Kenny McKee

16 Tim Sergent

16 Bob Wager

Evangelism

15 Heidi Woolwine

14 Steve Holmes

14 Sheila Peche

15 Vacant

16 Vacant

16 Vacant

Fellowship and Youth

15 Jake Petzold

14 Matt Allen

14 Connie Daenzer

15 Lisa Bentley

16 Trisha Ferrier

16 Rachel Higgins

Finance

15 Lana Glady, Budget Director

14 Steve Kern, Director of Finance

17 Michelle Bouck, Dir. of Finance Elect

15 Colleen Loomis, At Large

Salary and Personnel

13 Vacant

14 Jim Weber

14 Duane Weber

14 Sharon Wyman

Stewardship

14 Jan Snyder

14 Jean Jensen

15 Eugene Weiss

15 Vacant

16 Vacant

16 Vacant

Social Concerns

15 Jan McKee

14 Betty Bradley

14 Betty Schmidt

15 Denise Miller

16 Shelly Lugg

16 Lisa Mohr

Trust and Investment

Richard Glady - Chairman

Mary Jane Shreve-Secretary/Bookkeeper

Michael Kern - Treasurer

Michelle Bouck

Sharon Garrett

Ed Keinath

Steve Kern

Connie Woelke

Trustees

15 Roger Leach

14 Tim Daenzer

14 Ron Johnson

14 Arnold Petzold

15 Tedd Burton

15 Robert Loomis

16 Chuck Eilers

16 Jon Keinath

16 Ron Petzold

Building Committee

Tim Keinath

Dale Higgins

Jon Keinath

Tom Keinath, Jr.

Richard Meyers

Ken Reinert

Angie Zeck - Treasurer

Eugene Ziegler

Historical Committee

Ed Sergent

Clem Ill

Steve Kern

Jim Bickel

Ken Ill

Memorials and Gifts

Geri Blue - Treasurer

Connie Keinath

Sharon Keinath - Secretary

Sextons

Matt & Angie Ayotte

Ron & Ruth Mieske

Ted & Katrina Wager

Rod & Nancy Wilson

Church Secretaries

Stacey Force

Terri Jo Keinath

Director of Accounting

Pam Maas

School Financial Secretary

Diane Leach

School Secretary

Terri Jo Keinath

Elders

The Board of Elders had a few key decisions that they prayed for God's wisdom on in 2013. The Board, based on advice given to Pastor Bruner, made a recommendation to the Voters' Assembly to change the wording in the church constitution to define a wedding as the union of a man and a woman. This was to ensure that St. Paul would not suffer legal challenges if same-sex marriages were asked to be performed at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

The Board reviewed a constitutional change that had been voted upon in a previous church year. After looking at the aspects of the change, the Elders asked the Voters' Assembly to void the constitutional change that would allow the Assembly to dismiss a called employee based on financial hardships. The Elders still accept dismissal of a called employee based on immoral, unethical, or unprofessional reasons.

The Elders also gave approval to purchase ten Lutheran Study Bibles while they were on sale. These Bibles will be available for use during any Bible study function at St. Paul. They will be housed on the Bible cart.

The Board also looked at other churches in the areas in regards to organist's pay. The Board found that St. Paul was on the low end of the spectrum and voted to raise the pay per service for each organist.

In addition to the organist's pay, the Elders also approved the cost of a cell phone plan for each pastor. This would be for parish use. The plan would be for two years and then the church would need to renew the plan.

The Elders asked that the Pastors take some time away from St. Paul for a Parish Planning retreat. This would allow the Pastors to focus on their future plans for St. Paul while collaborating with each other in Christian fellowship.

The Board put summer hours for the church office into place. These hours would take effect after school was dismissed until the Labor Day weekend. The schedule for summer hours is Mon – Thurs, 9 AM – 3 PM and Fri, 9 AM – 12 PM. The afterhour calls would be instructed to contact the pastors on their cell phones if the church office would be closed.

The Elders also approved the re-opening of the church nursery. Aurelia Brown stepped forward to coordinate workers for each Sunday morning service as well as between services. She also cleaned the nursery before its initial use and was able to procure a few toys for use in the nursery.

Several discussions that the Elders did revisit were whether to move the Saturday night service to a different day of the week, how to increase attendance at church services (including mid-week services), how to prepare the hearts of those attending services prior to the service beginning, and finally, allowing the use of the St. Paul sanctuary for other LCMS church members who do not attend St. Paul Lutheran Church, Millington.

At the end of 2013, the Elders welcomed Tim Sergent to serve as the newest Elder of St. Paul Lutheran while congratulating Kenny McKee and Bob Wager to being re-elected to the Board. They also thanked Duane Weber for his years of service to the Board.

Salary and Personnel

In an attempt to streamline our payroll system, a couple of changes were made. The time clock for hourly employees has been eliminated in favor of a paper time-keeping system. All employees are now required to use direct deposit.

Work on an update of the employee handbook was finalized with a variety of wording changes. The revised document was electronically sent to all employees with a signed acknowledgement of their receiving it to be put in their personnel file.

Financial difficulties once again did not allow us to grant a base pay raise to our staff. They did receive a 'years of service' increase. Health care benefits remain unchanged even though our provider (Lutheran Benefits) charged an increase of 18%. Additionally, there will be another increase due to the ACA (Obamacare) of approximately 6% starting January 2014.

A request by Pastor Abatelli for compensation in lieu of living in the parsonage led to much discussion. A review of call documents, precedents set, current financial condition, current compensation of all employees, and many other items were considered. The Voters' Assembly ultimately denied the request.

The pay rate for contract teachers was added to our salary schedule.

Trustees

With 2013 behind us we look back at all the wonderful volunteers and our board members that have helped make our work load a little easier. We especially thank Dennis DeOrnellas, Dwight Keinath and Ken Ill for the many years they have served on the board and we welcome new members Chuck Eilers, Ron Petzold, and Jon Keinath.

Some of the major projects that were done in 2013 were the sale of the Barnes Lake property, fixing the plumbing in the north end of the school boy's bathroom, refinishing the north side church doors, repairing the roof over the kitchen and started preparing for the new church sign on Center Street.

We look forward to another productive year and some of our 2014 projects consist of refinishing the south entrance church doors, finishing the new church sign on Center Street, lighting projects in the church, air conditioning projects in the school, roof repairs on the Activity Center and numerous other projects that may come up.

Again, a big thank you to all our volunteers who help make our church and school a beautiful place.

Board of Education

2013 was an exciting year at St Paul Lutheran School. We had some changes in our faculty and our curriculum. We extended a divine call to Mrs. Susan Klauer as our 8th grade teacher. Mrs. Klauer was given a one year contract, and she accepted our divine call. Mrs. Erika Kaiser is teaching 1st grade this year. Our awesome God has provided us with two 1st grade classes this year. We are also excited that Mr. Craig Stiff is back at St Paul Lutheran teaching PE classes. We thank Mr. Mike Gohsman for his service the past year as our PE teacher.

The Board of Christian Education implemented tuition for our St Paul member students. The cost is \$400 per student for the first two students in a family, and \$200 for each additional student in the family. We also increased the non-member tuition. We are continuing to purchase computers for the 4th graders to use in class. We were also able to receive Apple I-pads for use with our students because of grants and anonymous financial contributions. We would like to thank Mr. Jon Keinath for his help with making docking stations for the computers and I-pads. We also implemented a new math series – Digits Math. We have been “departmentalizing” with our 6th, 7th, and 8th graders starting in late 2012 and continuing through 2013. We have our students working with the different teachers teaching the different subjects. Our thoughts are to utilize our teachers with their strengths to teach the children; it also helps them prepare for high school with switching rooms and having different teachers for different subjects.

The Board of Christian Education would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to Mr. Ted Wager for serving on our board for six years. We are very excited and pleased to welcome Mr. Eddie Meeks and Mr. Jay Rodammer to the Board of Christian Education. Mr. Eddie Meeks was re-elected to the board for another term and Mr. Rodammer was newly elected this year. We thank God for all of our members on the Board of Christian Education.

The Board of Christian Education and the Board of Trustees worked on a security system for the church and the school. This has been a learning process for everyone involved, but it is a great tool for helping keep our children and staff safe.

The Board of Christian Education received a letter of resignation from our school principal Mrs. Elaine Bickel effective June 30, 2014 at our December board meeting. We are very grateful for the many years that Mrs. Elaine Bickel has served our school and congregation. We wish her success for the rest of the school year and with her retirement. We are also looking ahead for our staffing needs for 2014. We thank God for what He has done for us in 2013, and ask God to continue to bless St Paul Lutheran School in 2014.

PTL

St. Paul PTL is a fellowship of families and teacher working together to better our children’s Christian education. PTL encourages social and family interaction to strengthen and help relationships grow between families and educators.

Anyone who has a child attending St. Paul School is automatically a member. Community members and family members are all welcome to become involved with PTL events and volunteering. We are always in need of volunteers for events. The time you spend supporting PTL helps build a stronger bond between parents, teachers, and the community.

Some special events sponsored by PTL in the past include:

- Summer Festival Fish Booth
- Concessions for Basketball & Volleyball games
- Harvest Dinner
- Fall Festival
- Little Caesar’s Fundraiser
- Butter Braid Fundraiser

PTL also sponsors social events:

- Family Ice Skating Night
- Dads & Doughnuts
- Family Fun Nights
- Moms & Muffins
- Buy 1 get 1 Free Book Fair
- Lutheran Schools Week
- Field Day

This year PTL helped the student body form the first student council the school has had in quite a while. We help organize a weekly meeting and assist them in event planning and activities.

This year PTL purchased new equipment for our Activity Center, art, and science departments. The PTL bought supplies for the Cricut machine, which cuts out letters and shapes for different projects and bulletin boards.

Our first PTL meeting of the year is held in September with a potluck welcoming our new families. The last meeting is scheduled at the end of the year. Our final meeting is a farewell to any parents who will no longer have children in St. Paul. Fun events are held throughout the school year. Notifications of these events and meeting dates are sent home with students in the weekly school newsletter and posted on line. Events will also be posted on the bulletin board by the school entrance.

PTL would like to THANK all of our families and teachers who have dedicated their time and talents to support PTL throughout the year.

“Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.” Psalm 90:16

St. Paul School Staff

Childcare	Jeannie Burke
Childcare	Christina Rosencrants
Childcare	Shirley Snyder
Latchkey	Bonnie Wittum
Latchkey	Jackie Stewart
Pre-School/Childcare	Sarah Thayer
Kindergarten	Kay Keinath
First	Teresa Walter
First	Erika Kaiser
Second	Carol Weber
Third	Connie Singer
Fourth	Julie Keinath
Fifth	Paul Schoenknecht
Sixth	Rebecca Kochenderfer
Seventh	David Kaiser
Eighth	Susan Klauer
Art/Computer	Amy Baldwin
Physical Education	Craig Stiff
Secretary	Diane Leach
Secretary	Terri Jo Keinath
Kitchen	Bonnie Gross
Kitchen	Sue Howay
Kitchen	Penny Younger
Reading Specialist	Linda Henderson
Aide	Dianne Weber
Custodian	Bill Weber
Custodian	Roger Leach
Library Volunteers	Sharon Daenzer
	Diane Sebert
	Beth Skouson
	Mary White

Music

St. Paul Lutheran Church has both a traditional choir, the Church Choir, and two Praise and Worship Teams who share their love of music in many services throughout the year. The church also has a Handbell Choir. St. Paul Lutheran School has a Cherub Choir (grades K-2), a Cantate Choir (grades 3-5), and a Free Spirit Choir (grades 5-8). Our school has a band and we also have a Church Band in which many children take part, as well as a Junior Handbell group. All the groups participate in an annual Christmas Concert. Junior High school students also take part in a Music Festival hosted by various Lutheran Schools in the area. The 2013 Festival was held at Immanuel, Bay City. We enjoy using the talents God has blessed us with to serve Him.

4:12 Youth Ministry

Junior High Youth Group

Our Junior High Youth Group consists of anyone in grades 6th-8th. This past year we have had numerous lock-ins which saw up to 75 attendees. Every Sunday we met from 4-6pm and played exciting games, such as Romans & Christians, Sardines, Dodgeball, Scatterball, watched movies and had great Bible discussions on topics ranging from popular events that are happening around the world to new released movies and music. At the end of July a few youth participated in a Junior High Youth Gathering at Concordia University-Ann Arbor. Hopefully we will have a few more attending this summer! We had a record amount of Jr. High help this year for our Advent Soup Suppers! We closed out our exciting year with a post-Christmas party with the High School youth and spent the night eating lots of snacks, playing basketball and dodgeball and Just Dancin' the night away!

High School Youth Group

Our High School Youth Group consists of anyone in grades 9th-12th. Although the High School youth didn't have any lock-ins this year, we kept pretty busy with our weekly youth nights on Sundays from 6:30-8:30pm. During the summer months we combined with the Jr. High and the High School youth had a chance to lead discussions and be good role models for our Jr. High youth group. Our youth nights were also filled with fun games from Romans & Christians, Sardines, to playing basketball, intense competitions of dodgeball, floor hockey, and rockin' out to some great Christian tunes. We had a lot of deep conversations during our Bible study time talking about topics ranging from dating, peer pressure, bullying, losing a loved one, how to be a better witness for Christ, and the fact that we are never alone in our daily struggles. We had a blast closing out 2013 with the Jr. High youth at our post-Christmas party. We also look forward to heading back to Mackinaw Island this June for our High School District Gathering!

Dorcas Lutheran Women In Mission

The Dorcas LWIM holds meetings on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30PM, excluding December, July, and August. It is open for anyone to attend. Membership is not required, but encouraged if and when you desire to join us as we serve. Monthly meetings start with the LWML pledge and finish with the LWML song and mite collections. Quilting is done weekly. Check your monthly church calendar for dates and times. Lori Osborn oversees this very enjoyable and beneficial project.

January: Tea Party between services open to all ladies and teenagers.

February: Kathy Kaps made for cancer patients in two local hospitals. Bring your scissors and enjoy a time of fellowship, laughter and stories.

March: Beautiful rose centerpieces for the Lutheran Home were made by the ladies. Membership at 73 with 20 in attendance. Karen Bruner dropped membership and Susan Klauer joined.

April: Franconian Zone Spring Rally was hosted by St. Paul with Rev. Kirk Abatelli sharing the devotion and Ray Scott from Lutheran Child and Family Services as our speaker. Ladies from area Lutheran Churches attended. 6th graders sang for the group. Donation was given to Janette Keinath towards her upcoming mission trip to Guatemala.

May: Joe and Michelle (Weiss) Stewart were our guests. Joe shared on his recent Mission trip with his church to Africa to build a church building for people in Togo. Joe challenged us all to take a look at what we have and what is really important, and do that which is important, which is spreading the Gospel. Betty Bluer has 50 years membership. Confirmation luncheon served 112 people for the 8th graders.

June: Katie (DeOrnellas) Horenziak, visiting from Kentucky LWML church shared the "Tale of the Missing Purse" and what makes up an Ice Cream Sundae taken from Psalm 139:4, Luke 6:38 and Psalm 119:103. We then all enjoyed a delicious Ice Cream Social. Upcoming LWML Zone convention will be held on June 27-30, 2013. Representatives for our group will be Fran Carnet and Carolyn Petzold. Elaine Bickel will be one of the guest speakers at the convention. It was discussed and moved and supported that membership for LWML can begin following Confirmation. New members joining are Danielle and Kathryn DeOrnellas.

September: Hebrews 1:14 was our verse for the night which was shared by Penny Schoenknecht. LWML Zone Fall Rally will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Reese. It was reported that there were over 3000 in attendance at the June LWML National Convention with over \$76,000 collected in mites for mission projects and over 500,000 quilts collected over the past year. St. Paul had donated nearly 300 to date.

October: The night started with fun and laughter as we enjoyed the presence of our 5th-7th graders and some of their families with making cat toys, homemade pretzels and bagging Christmas hard candy. We then enjoyed a luncheon and our delicious homemade pretzels before saying farewell to the students who had to leave for homework. Several stayed for the meeting. Lori Osborn talked on the 70th Anniversary of LWML organization with "The Things that I Do." The theme was serving in response to the Lord as we ask Him to change our "should do" to a "want to do," Lord.

November: Romans 12 was our theme for the night as Lori Osborn talked on "Serving" and how as a part of the body we affect one another whether personally, in our families, church bodies or community. Psalm 12:4-8 was read. Lutheran Home has a new name, that being Wellspring Lutheran Care Services, which encompasses all services from foster care to aged to in home care. We finished up our shut in "gifting bags" to be passed out to all our shut-ins desiring one. The ladies were asked to pick up a couple each and to visit one of their fellow sisters or brothers in Christ, whose body we are a part of. Five quilts were donated to "Big Family", a program for adults who were in foster care as a child and too old for the system and ready to start their own lives out in the world. The Bazaar was really enjoyed by our school children. We made \$3,100.00 over all. We are in need of a new chairperson for the Bazaar to continue.

Adult Education

With the Stewardship Drive emphasizing Heritage in Motion this year, we wanted to immerse St. Paul in many different Bible studies to help focus on God's Word. I would like to thank several people who made this year quite exciting: Pastor Bruner, Pastor Abatelli, Paul Schoenknecht, Ed White, and Ted Wager. These men sacrificed and dedicated their time so that St. Paul members had ample opportunities to grow in their faiths.

In January, Ted Wager and I led a stewardship seminar entitled "The Treasure Box Principle", a Friday and Saturday night. Also in January we were graced with Pastor Bruner leading a Bible study on the Background of the Bible series called "Learning About the Gift of Prayer." Ed White continued his diligence teaching Lutheranism 101 which he finally completed after one and a half years of his guidance. I want to give a big thank you to this young man for his wonderful dedication. Paul Schoenknecht led a Bible study for grade school students, as well as their parents, called Witnessing: Faith for Life. I led a DVD Bible study about abortion called October Baby for four weeks. Pastor Abatelli continued to show interested people about the foundations of Lutheranism in the Adult Education Class. Near the end of the winter semester, Pastor Bruner finished the first Bible study he was leading and his next Bible study topic was "What is Lutheran Spirituality?"

During the summer, Pastor Bruner and Pastor Abatelli continued to teach through the Background of the Bible series on the topic of "Word: God Speaks to Us". During the month of July, I started a Bible study on Saturday nights before church entitled A Simple Way to Pray based on the teachings of Martin Luther.

At the start of the fall semester, Pastor Abatelli again led the Adult Instruction Classes. Pastor Bruner continued to lead St. Paul by offering Lutheran Spirituality – "Vocation". I tried something new and led the same Bible study on Saturday evenings as well as Sunday mornings called Feed My Lambs. After finishing this Bible study, I led a Bible study on the church season through the end of the calendar year.

Throughout the year, I continued the Bible study Heroes of the Faith on the first Saturday of each month at 7:30 AM for all interested men. Pastor Abatelli also sustained the HEROES men's Bible study as well.

A new offering for this year was Pastor Bruner leading a Bible study on Wednesday mornings after the children's chapel service. He focused on the Daily Lectionary Bible study.

I hope that you consider coming to one or more of the Bible studies for this new year. If there is any Bible study topic you would like St. Paul to offer, please let Pastor Bruner or Pastor Abatelli know. Thank you for the honor to help lead St. Paul Lutheran.
David Kaiser

Stewardship

2013 was a very busy year for the Board of Stewardship. We began the year short one member and were able to seek a volunteer to fill the open position. With a full board the group began work on an ambitious program titled Heritage in Motion, a program whose purpose was to inspire and remind the congregation that our great heritage was built on the willingness of its people to apply the Word of God in their lives in many ways. The program reminded the congregation of how very important it is to use their God given talents within the congregation to assist in being all we can possible be. Members were encouraged to reevaluate how they apply their time, talents and treasures to God's work in this place. The program was successful in reaching most of the congregation and many within the congregation were inspired to once again use what gifts God has given them to help make St. Paul a vibrant, active congregation.

Near the end of the year the Board was given a challenge from a member to attempt to inspire the congregation to rise up and by each doing a little, attempt to eliminate what was a growing budget deficit problem. Although at year end the project was not yet complete, great strides had been made in improving what has been an ongoing deficit issue.

The Board was very thankful for the many volunteers within the congregation who came forward to assist in these large projects. It is through the involvement of many that we can achieve the goal of God's people doing God's work in this place.

Christian Care Committee

The Christian Care Committee of St. Paul seeks to support and encourage people during special events in their lives. Our committee ministers to the hospitalized, shut-in members, those who have experienced a loss, families with newborns and our new members. Activities may include sending words of encouragement, providing food, visiting our members who are experiencing loneliness or at the time of a loss.

If you are interested or have questions about the Christian Care Committee or if you know someone who needs care and support, please contact Carol Weber or Paul Schoenknecht.

Giving Tree Report

I was recently told that "I couldn't save the world on my own" by someone who cares about me and the Giving Tree. I appreciate her kind words and concern and I love her, but... I WANT TO SAVE THE WORLD!! The Giving Tree and all that it does is so vitally important to me. I care so much and through all of the stars that are taken from the tree and the donations, my heart is gladdened by all of you who care also.

Each year there seems to be a greater need. This year we not only helped 20 people through Lutheran Family Children Services (which is now called Wellspring) with gifts, we helped 25 families here in our church and community. These families consisted of 84 individuals. I believe that is the most we have ever had!

Following the premise of the Wisemen giving baby Jesus three gifts, this is what we try and do. The three gifts usually include underwear or clothing of some sort, boots, snowpants or a coat, and a toy or personal item valued at no more than \$30. There are always exceptions, but those are the guidelines we try to follow. We provide a "family basket" which consists of toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towel, laundry detergent, dish soap and household cleaner. These are all items that if you were getting assistance from the state, you COULD NOT purchase with food stamps. With the kind help of some St. Paul bakers, we also include a tin of homemade cookies and this year, someone donated navy beans so they are receiving beans and a recipe for navy bean soup. We give them a gas card and a grocery card. Dorcas often gives us quilts and we always have talented people who provide hats, scarves and mittens.

My greatest wish is when these families pick up their gifts and family baskets, they see much more than a toy and some paper towels; I want them to see LOVE! I want them to see that we as a church family love them and care about them and that through us, they will realize that our love comes through Him! I want them to see a basket of HOPE, hope that things will get better, we understand and it will be alright.

When the Wisemen came to present those gifts to Jesus, they were the finest gifts to be had. When we give the gifts for the Giving Tree, that gift might be the only gift a child will be receiving. That is why we try so hard to make sure they have a wonderful CHRISTmas. There is nothing wrong with handing down a toy or a pair of jeans or shoes; my children have always done that. But if it might be the only gift opened, I want to do all in my power to know that child will know just how precious he is by opening a new toy or shirt or shoes. We can add other gently used items in this package to go along with it and those are appreciated, but everyone deserves something new, all theirs, because they deserve it, they are special and God loves each and every one of them, regardless of their financial situation. No one should feel that they are only worth someone's cast off.

(Giving Tree Continued)

I cannot thank all of you enough for your very generous support every year. I get so excited, wishing I could see their faces when they open up that special gift lovingly provided by one of you.

The Giving Tree consumes me, but in a good way! It reminds me how blessed I am. It helps me to remember to pray for these people who need help. I don't know their names, but that is just fine with me - God knows. It helps renew a love for all of my St. Paul family and through the generous donations and love from all of you, I can feel that I am doing a little part to save the world! Because that is what God wants me to do and I do it with gladness and joy. May God richly bless each and every one of you!

Betty DeOrnellas

Fellowship and Youth

The Board of Fellowship and Youth would like to thank all of the many people who attended the events of the past year.

The Annual Fish Fry brought hundreds of people together for a great day of fellowship. We would like to thank all of the people who helped in various ways to make the day a great success.

We sponsored the Youth basketball team who enjoy playing together. They are 2 wins, 2 losses so far this season. Tim Sergent is their coach.

We sponsor the Sunday morning coffee hour as a fellowship hour. We have coffee and juice along with desserts provided by members. If anyone is willing to bring drinks and desserts call Connie Daenzer.

We also sponsor scrapbooking Saturday events.

This year we are having the Heritage picnic. We will be having a barrel train and various games for the children. We have a possible donor for a pig roast.

We would like to thank Matt Allen for his years of service to the board. Jake Petzold has agreed to be our new chairman.

We will be help sponsor the Lost and Found concert in our Activity Center. It will be the same day as the Beat the Blues event which involves local churches all coming together for a fellowship event.

Respectfully,
Audrey Brown

Cradle Roll

We are 'Growing In Christ' each day of our lives and it begins by grace through faith in our baptism. For 2013 there were 25 infants and children, in addition to adults, brought into the Kingdom at St. Paul.

To grow we must stay nourished. If not, we will die both physically and spiritually. Nourishment comes with water (Baptism); Sonshine through feeding on God's Holy Word, encouragement and support of other Christians; and finally, resting in Christ with our family in Christ through worship and fellowship.

All are necessary. If any one of these are missing, then the growth as a child of God—no matter the age— will not be complete.

Please encourage, love, share and support all God's children. Pray diligently and fervently, believing God will do the rest through His Holy Spirit.

If you do not see a picture on the Cradle Roll board by your child's name, please assist us by submitting a picture, as well as help provide updated pictures. Put them in mailbox #592 with the child's name on back.

Storyhour

St. Paul Story Hour is a free program for pre-school children. This mission project continues to reach out to all children and their parents. The children meet during the school year: September through May, one day per week. There is no cost because the parents donate the needed supplies, and the leaders are volunteers. Each week the children have time to socialize and explore a Bible story, craft, and activities that challenge the children and encourage their faith. Parents provide the snack and drink for the group on "their day." Many parents are able to stay and help and this makes "their day" even more fun. This program is held in the Youth Room and is led by Lori Osborn. Children from the community and our church learn to share and enjoy their peers as we explore Bible stories.

Sunday School

St. Paul's Sunday School was held during the school year, Sept.—May. The average attendance per week was 25-30 children in all the classes: Preschool thru 8th grade. A combination of teachers volunteered their time on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45. The lessons were based on Bible stories purchased from Concordia Publishing House. The offering was given to the general fund of our church. Thank you to the teachers and staff. God's love is shown through their dedication and love for Him.

St. Paul Messenger

The St. Paul Messenger is a newsletter that provides our members with news about our church and school and the various activities and events that are happening at St. Paul. Each Messenger contains a message from the pastor, a list of memorials and gifts, church and committee news, school and youth events, a birthday page, the church calendar, and other articles as submitted throughout the year.

To save on postage, the Messenger can also be read online. Go to www.stpaul-millington.org. When you get to the website, find the School or Church Info drop down menu, go to Current Events and go to Newsletter or Messenger. Please let the church office know if you no longer need a mailed copy. **If you have a change of address or go away for the winter, please let the church office know. The church pays extra postage when mail is returned for a wrong address.**

The Messenger is sponsored by the generosity of individuals at St. Paul remembering or honoring a loved one or a special occasion. The cost is \$125.00 per month and sponsors are always needed. Call the church office to reserve a special month.

The Messenger is put together by a dedicated group of volunteers who assemble and label over 750 copies. Thank you to all the volunteers. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you would like to volunteer, please join us the last Wednesday of the month from 8-10AM.

Quilting

We meet every Tuesday from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall throughout the school year. About 7-10 ladies help make quilts for World Relief, local donations and the Dorcas Bazaar. They are given to needy families at Christmas through our Giving Tree project and the Community Christmas Boxes. Quilts are also donated to Bethesda.

Donations of sheets, lightweight blankets and material have been generously provided for all the World Relief Quilts and are always accepted.

Ushers

Glenn Brown - Head Usher

8:30AM Service

TEAM A	February, May, August, November	
Captain	Phil Gordon	Larry Petzold
Assistant	Ron Johnson	Peter Shollack
	John Keinath	Chris Smith
	Kerry Koch	Gerry Smith
	James Kribs	Gerry Smith
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	James Petzold	Jason Smith
		An-
drew Weber		

TEAM B	March, June, September, December	
Captain	Dwight Keinath	Jeremy Petzold
	Michael Albert	Luke Platt
	Ken Auernhammer	Dennis Rodammer
	Corey Harry	Eugene Weiss
	Mitchel III	Bud Zeck
	Colin Meacham	Mike Ziegler
	Daniel Meacham	

TEAM C	January, April, July, October	
Captain	Glenn Brown	Brian Meier
Assistant	Vic Reinert	Ron Schiefer
	Ricks Anderson	Matt Singer
	John Hergenreder	Bob Wager
	Mike Kern	Bill Weber
	Nate Kern	Duane Weber
	Tim Kern	Ed White

11:00AM Service

TEAM A	February, May, August, November	
Captain	Dick Gross	Seth Keinath
Assistant	Arnold Petzold	Tom Keinath
	Russ Hayden	Mike O'Hearn
	Gary Hecht	Phil Petzold
	Steve Holmes	Mathew Slough
	Derrick (Kip) Keinath	

TEAM B	March, June, September, December	
Captain	Richard Harpst	Hans Schmandt
Assistant	Jay Rodammer	Michael Sherman
	Mike Hoard	Rick Sherman
	Heath Keinath	Randy Wolverson
	John Petzold	Bryan Wilson Jr.
	Michael Rader	

TEAM C	January, April, July, October	
Captain	Mark Rude	Larry Henderson
Assistant	Tim Brown	Jason Ketels

Saturday Evening Ushers

TEAM A	February, May, August, November
	Brian Glady - Captain
	Dale Peche
TEAM B	March, June, September, December
	Larry Beagle - Captain
	Don Bierlein
	Jim Jaruzel
	Ed Keinath
	Brian White
TEAM C	January, April, July, October
	Jeffrey Yorke - Captain
	Chad Fackler
	Marc Keinath

Greeters

First Saturday - Shelly Lugg
First Sunday
8:30AM - Shirley Petzold, Ken & Kathy III
11:00AM - Les & Diane Maxson, Ron & Olga Nims
Second Saturday - Bill Bleuer & Betty Bleuer
Second Sunday
8:30AM - Available
11:00AM - LuAnn Licavoli, Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel
Third Saturday - Laura Sherman
Third Sunday
8:30AM - Natalie Smith
11:00AM - Rosie Horning, Dale & Pam Hanlin
Fourth Sunday
8:30AM - Jim Bickel
11:00AM - Heather & Jason Jones
Fifth Sunday
8:30AM - Available
11:00AM - Steve & Nila Schmandt
Greeter Subs - Denise Miller & Sherry Sebert

Acolytes

Joshua Allen
Tyler Bentley
Dustin Bishop
Sydney Bishop
Abby Brown
Corey Daenzer
Timmy David
Pierce Force
Sterling Force
Kelsey Gronowski
Bradyn Henderson
Evan Hoard
Kaitlyn Ill
Mason Lugg
Zac Maas
Seth Mittler
Jack Shreve
Katherine Weber
Zac Yorke

Altar Guild

President: Linda Kester
Vestments/Linens Chairperson: Lorine Petzold
Gift Case Chairperson: Marie Ross
Decoration Committee: Diane Maxson & Pam Hanlin

Chancel Committee

Heather Sergent	Jan. – Feb.
	Mar. – Apr.
	May – June
	July – Aug
Marlene Stratton/Linda Dues/ Janet Reinert	Sept – Oct
Patty Petzold	Nov. – Dec.
Diane Maxson—Lent & Advent mid week cleaning	

Vestments & Linens

Lorine Petzold	Jan/April/Dec
Karen Graham	Mar/Aug
Shirley Petzold (Chet)	May/June/July
Diane Blue	Sept/Oct/Nov

Gift Case

Lillian Sergent	All Year	Sat. night
Wanda Johnson	Jan/Feb/April/May/ July/Aug/Oct/Nov	1 st service
Patty Petzold	Mar/June/Oct/Dec	2 nd service
Ruth Ann Petzold	Feb/May/Aug/Nov	2nd service

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Communion Set-up Saturday Night

Diane Leach	Jan/Feb/Sept/Nov
Lillian Sergent	Mar/Dec
Amy Yorke	April/May/June
Shelli Lugg	May
Vickie Albert	Aug/Oct

Communion Set-up 8:30AM Service

Lisa Rodammer	Jan
Pam Ill	Feb
Erika Kaiser/Susan Klauer	Mar
Sonja Russell	April/Aug
Mary White	May/Sept
Angie Zeck	June/July
Open	Oct
Renee Hecht	Nov
Joyce Wager	Dec

Communion Set-up 11:00AM Service

Sheila Peche	Jan/Feb
Lisa Rodammer/Heather Petzold	Mar/June
Julie Rude	Apr
Kim Torrey	May
Betty DeOrnellas/Melissa Keinath	July/Aug
Bonnie Wittum	Sept/Oct
Pam Hanlin	Nov
Jan McKee	Dec

If for some reason you are unable to set up communion in your scheduled month, please try to find a replacement as soon as possible. Look to the ladies in your scheduled time. Shirley (Roy) Petzold and Pam Ill have offered to be subs for 8:30AM if need be. Contact me for phone numbers or check the church directory.

Lisa Rodammer 871-6631 or jlrodammer2001@yahoo.com.

Tellers

Head Teller:

Larna Peterson 871-2223

Team 1:

Heather Sergent, Captain 871-5795

Sue Howay 871-9046

Laura Sherman 871-5799

Kimberly Torrey 871-9872

Team 2:

Lloyd & Norma Taylor, Captains 871-3443

William & Yvonne Bishop 871-9786

Marilyn Daenzer 871-2879

Lorraine Petzold 871-2713

Debra Hodge, Substitute 871-7535

Team 3:

Larna Peterson, Captain 871-2223

Amy Keinath 823-3137

Linda Kester 871-4787

Lana Schultz 871-4603

Roger & Lola Wendt 871-2099

Team 4:

Luann Licavoli, Captain 871-3724

Velva Cobanovich 871-9723

Sue Fabbro 871-4496

Arthur & Luella Saeger 871-3553

Linda Dues, Substitute

Brenda Frahm, Substitute 871-2033

Barb Smith, Substitute 871-4495

Cindy Morey, Substitute 871-9302

Team 5:

Janice Schiefer, Captain 871-3971

Rachel Schiefer 871-3971

Team 6:

Sheila Hebner, Captain 871-2959

Special Tellers:

Janice Schiefer 871-3971

Rachel Schiefer 871-3971

Linda Kester 871-4787

Bookkeepers:

Head Bookkeeper:

Luann Licavoli 871-3724

Geri Blue 871-4043

Sandy Weber 871-3401

Summary of Regular Service Attendances 2013

<u>Month #:</u>	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>8 A.M.</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	350	569	615	1534
Average	88	142	154	384
2	321	894	764	1979
Average	80	224	191	495
3	553	989	1113	2655
Average	111	198	223	531
4	362	747	836	1945
Average	91	187	209	486
5	308	855	999	2162
Average	77	214	250	541
6	438	1063	754	2255
Average	88	213	151	451
7	308	560	572	1440
Average	77	140	143	360
8	354	615	455	1424
Average	89	154	114	356
9	406	1024	877	2307
Average	81	205	175	461
10	306	964	665	1935
Average	77	241	166	484
11	323	713	806	1842
Average	81	178	202	461
12	337	611	633	1581
Average	67	122	127	316
<u>YTD Totals</u>				
	<u>Sat.</u>	<u>8 A.M.</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Total</u>
YTD Tot:	4366	9604	9089	23059
YTD Avg:	84	185	175	443

Special Services 2013

Service Name:	Advent
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/4/2013	91
12/11/20	154
12/18/20	126
Service Name:	Ascension Day
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
5/9/2013	89
Service Name:	Candlelight Serv.
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/24/20	221
Service Name:	Children's Chr. Serv.
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/24/20	383
Service Name:	Choir Concert
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/8/2013	610
Service Name:	Christmas Day
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/25/20	196
Service Name:	Good Friday
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
3/29/2013	314
Service Name:	Lent
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
2/13/2013	164
2/20/2013	207
2/27/2013	83
3/6/2013	147
3/13/2013	71
3/20/2013	71
Service Name:	Mauudy Thursday
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
3/28/2013	151
Service Name:	NY Eve
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
12/31/20	47
Service Name:	Thanksgiving
<u>Week of:</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>
11/28/20	162

Memorials

MEMORIALS	BALANCE 1-1-13	INCOME	EXPENSE	BALANCE 12-31-13
AGAPE	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Altar Flowers	\$59.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$59.00
Altar Guild	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brass Music	\$208.96	\$50.00	\$209.76	\$49.20
Brick Savings Acct.	\$324.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$324.93
Building Fund	\$0.00	\$4,510.00	\$4,510.00	\$0.00
CAMP	\$105.81	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$125.81
Choir Fund	\$3,658.63	\$720.00	\$371.82	\$4,006.81
Christian Care	\$873.33	\$562.09	\$420.06	\$1,015.36
Christian Tapes	\$571.88	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$571.88
Christmas Decorations	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Church Recordings CD's	\$142.00	\$0.00	\$142.00	\$0.00
Cradle Roll	\$234.64	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$234.64
Church Sign	\$0.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$0.00
Don Haines Scholarship	\$8,830.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	\$8,080.00
Dorcas LWIM	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Evan Johnson Memorial	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Fellowship & Youth	\$578.84	\$350.00	\$0.00	\$928.84
Gary Horning Scholarship	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
General Fund	\$0.00	\$13,062.52	\$13,062.52	\$0.00
Good Samaritan	\$230.59	\$0.00	\$230.00	\$0.59
Handbell	\$402.51	\$10.00	\$155.01	\$257.50
Historical	\$3,689.27	\$0.00	\$13.78	\$3,675.49
Jack Shreve Scholarship	\$2,290.46	\$75.00	\$2,000.00	\$365.46
Kitchen Fund	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Memorial Share Dividend	\$210.90	\$332.13	\$0.00	\$543.03
Messenger	\$0.00	\$240.00	\$240.00	\$0.00
New Organ Enhancement	\$2,385.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$2,435.00
Organ	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Paving & Landscaping	\$419.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$419.70
Playground	\$246.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$246.00
Praise & Fellowship	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Praise Team	\$761.88	\$340.00	\$49.47	\$1,052.41
Puppet Ministry	\$187.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$187.20
Roof Savings Acct.	\$1,111.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,111.27
Seminary	\$304.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$304.22
Sound System	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Stephen Ministry	\$1,469.54	\$179.22	\$919.67	\$729.09
Storage Building	\$845.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$845.63
Story Hour	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$19.99	\$155.01
Sunday School	\$24.46	\$0.00	\$16.99	\$7.47
Undesignated	\$107.05	\$100.00	\$2.00	\$205.05
Valley Lutheran H. S.	\$55.00	\$65.00	\$120.00	\$0.00
Video Camera/Remote Projector	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
Warm Hearts for Jesus	\$1,270.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,270.76
SUB TOTAL	\$32,234.46	\$35,740.96	\$38,258.07	\$29,717.35

Memorials Continued

SCHOOL SPECIAL GIFTS	BALANCE 1-1-13	INCOME	EXPENSE	BALANCE 12-31-13
Athletics	\$345.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$345.00
Band	\$227.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$227.78
Child Care	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35.00
Hot Lunch	\$50.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.75
Kindergarten	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$80.00
Library	\$479.34	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$559.34
Preschool	\$10.00	\$80.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
School Non-Specified	\$1,585.00	\$595.00	\$55.08	\$2,124.92
Student Aid	\$130.00	\$1,660.00	\$0.00	\$1,790.00
Textbooks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Designated	\$75.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75.00
Send Out Cards	\$0.00	\$355.00	\$355.00	\$0.00
School Scholarship Tuition Fund	\$0.00	\$885.00	\$0.00	\$885.00
School Security System	\$0.00	\$615.45	\$615.45	\$0.00
SUB TOTAL	\$2,937.87	\$4,350.45	\$1,025.53	\$6,262.79
FAMILY DESIGNATED	BALANCE 1-1-13	INCOME	EXPENSE	BALANCE 12-31-13
Bannerman, Carol	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
Brown, Keith Sr.	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Damm, Clayton	\$553.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$653.00
Damm, Martin Sr.	\$570.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$570.00
Ill, Otilie	\$0.00	\$515.00	\$515.00	\$0.00
Keinath, Edna	\$0.00	\$1,704.22	\$0.00	\$1,704.22
Keinath, Verna	\$1,156.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,156.66
Maxson, Richard	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00
Petz, Isabella	0	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Petzold, Mike	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00
Petzold, Robert	\$0.00	\$515.00	\$515.00	\$0.00
Petzold, Wallace	\$580.00	\$30.00	\$610.00	\$0.00
Snover, Mary	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$225.00
Stochowitz, Linda	\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$0.00
SUB TOTAL	\$3,144.66	\$2,924.22	\$1,670.00	\$4,398.88
TOTAL	\$38,316.99	\$43,015.63	\$40,953.60	\$40,379.02

ALL BOARDS FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 ACTUAL AND BUDGET (07/01/12-06/30/13)

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

BOARD/FUND	INCOME		EXPENSE	
	ACTUAL 2012-2013	APPROVED FINAL BUDGET 2012-2013	ACTUAL 2012- 2013	APPROVED FI- NAL BUDGET 2012-2013
Salary & Personnel:				
Education - Tuition Income (Current & Past Due), Teacher Moving Exp	106,498	89,850	612	8,000
Payroll and Benefits	94,829	82,285	1,030,918	1,050,451
Total Salary & Personnel:	201,327	172,135	1,031,530	1,058,451
Board of Education - Childcare/Latchkey +/- to Church	11,634	30,895	0	0
Elders General Fund	3,140	8,760	21,883	31,875
Evangelism	0	600	401	2,200
Fellowship and Youth	3,399	3,950	2,143	2,550
Finance	11,443	8,100	7,659	5,590
General Fund	889,972	856,800	0	0
Social Concerns	1,206	500	1,310	1,300
Stewardship	-620	1,000	1,612	2,540
Trustees	3,828	3,300	74,697	85,452
TOTALS	1,125,329	1,086,040	1,141,235	1,189,958
Total Proposed Budget Deficit				\$(103,918)
Total Actual Income-Expenses			\$ (15,906)	
Elders - Designated LYF Program (All Accounts)	7,321	5,800	\$ 7,973	\$ 3,902

NOTE: In an effort to save money on printing costs the detailed breakdown for each Board/Fund Budget is not included in the annual report. To receive a copy of the detail please contact the Church Office.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013 DESIGNATED CHURCH ACCOUNTS REPORT

ACCOUNT NAME	BEGINNING BALANCE 07/01/12	INCOME	EXPENSES	ENDING BALANCE 06/30/12 (CHECKING BALANCE)
BOARD OF ELDERS:				
CHURCH CALL (SYSTEM) CKG	\$ 350.00	-	247.50	\$ 102.50
CHURCH COMPUTER/TECH CKG	\$ 1,542.97	1,049.53	1,049.53	\$ 1,542.97
P.B. FOLDING MACHINE CKG	\$ 463.25	-	-	\$ 463.25
YOUTH JUNIOR CONFIRMATION CKG	\$ 311.19	-	-	\$ 311.19
ELDERS - LYF PROGRAM AC- COUNTS:				\$ -
BREAKFAST CLUB	\$ (151.37)	891.37	413.49	\$ 326.51
LYF GENERAL OPERATING	\$ 6,228.83	9,533.71	10,014.68	\$ 5,747.86
ADULT ACCOUNTS	\$ 1,355.33	64.24	99.00	\$ 1,320.57
YOUTH ACCOUNTS	\$ 4,003.48	2,141.75	1,168.06	\$ 4,977.17
COMPASSION	\$ 75.65	546.93	552.00	\$ 70.58
PING PONG TABLE	\$ 190.00	-	190.00	\$ -
POOL TABLE	\$ 277.70	-	277.70	\$ -
SMARTBOARD FUNDRAISER	\$ 284.58	0.37	275.00	\$ 9.95
TOTAL ELDERS - LYF PROGRAM ACCOUNTS:	\$ 12,264.20	13,178.37	12,989.93	\$ 12,452.64
BOARD OF EVANGELISM:				\$ -
EVANGELISM OUTREACH CHECKING	\$ 2,167.00	-	-	\$ 2,167.00
ZUMBA CHECKING	\$ (178.15)	2,191.25	1,380.00	\$ 633.10
BOARD OF SOCIAL CONCERNS:				\$ -
GIVING TREE	\$ -	795.70	80.00	\$ 715.70
GOOD SAMARITAN - MOVING EX- PENSES CKG	\$ 828.00	-	828.00	\$ -
SOCIAL CONCERNS FAMILY HELP CKG	\$ -	359.00		\$ 359.00
BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:				\$ -
CHURCH WORKERS FUND - STEWARDSHIP CKG	\$ 700.00	902.00	1,000.00	\$ 602.00
MISSIONS (CHURCH GIVINGS)	\$ -	32,416.80	32,416.80	\$ -
STEWARDSHIP - EDU/SEED FUND CKG	\$ 1,206.89	-	-	\$ 1,206.89
T.I.M. CHECKING	\$ 12,830.02	10,667.30	17,550.00	\$ 5,947.32
BOARD OF TRUSTEES:				\$ -
BUILDING FUND (GIVINGS)	\$ -	159,179.85	159,179.85	\$ -
BOILER/AIR CONDITIONER CKG	\$ 1,437.63	-	1,437.63	\$ -
CHURCH ENERGY EFFICIENCY	\$ -	15,000.00	1,025.33	\$ 13,974.67
TOTALS:	\$ 33,923.00			\$ 40,478.23

NOTE: Designated Accounts are set up for projects, specific programs, etc. where the income and expenses are designated and specific to an intended purpose and carry-over from one fiscal year to the next.

Membership Activities

Baptisms

Madison Maize
Easton Aguirre
Reese Inman
Cole Ratza
Easton Myers
Kylie Gaval
Shayla Heike
Caden Heike
Caleb Schlereth
Airiell Celeste Esparza
Alexis Balcer
Delilah Sabgash
Abigail Whittaker
Emaline Whittaker
Ayla Farnsworth
Braxton Long
Annabelle Hayden
Patrick Hayden
Benjamin Hayden
Kathryn Hayden
Sayer Puzjak
Austin Wendland
Aryha Wendland
Ian Gentry
Cali Stadler-Anderson

Adult Baptisms

Bryan Wilson, Jr.

Weddings

Steven Adamic/Grace Foley
Anthony Perez/Kandie Sherman
Rachel Keinath/Erik Lawrence
Laura Simmons/Zachary Simon
Nicole Smith/Andrew Jaruzel
Kelly Stevens/Amanda Beauch
Rachel Schiefer/Dusty Higgins

Funerals

Doris DeOrnellas
Evelyn Gregory
Monica Lewis
Charles Kroll
Beverly White
Raymond Rohn
Ralph Warby
Arden June
Marilyn VanWormer
Carol Bannerman

Youth Confirmands

Justin Allen
Alandra Colman
Emily DeOrnellas
Lillie Flach
Garrison Hecht
Malachi Hecht
ReAnna Hecht
Cameron Henderson
Evan Hoard
Madison Ill
Aaron Knoll
Jenna Meacham
Thomas Meeks
Alyssa Okorowski
Emily Petzold
Serena Petzold
Shane Reinig
Jakob Selich
Darrell Smith
Maylynn Wager
Ericka White
Logan Wirsing
Molly Wolfington

Adult Confirmands

Sarah Kester
Ralph Warby
Jason Jones
Kandie Sherman
Scott Heike
Estee Heike
Bryan Wilson, Jr.
Russell Hayden, Jr.

Transfers In

Fred & Sheri Erlenbeck
From St. Mark, Flint
Heidi Tyree & Children, Katelyn & Jordan
From St. Michael's, Richville
Duane & Pam Maas & Son, Zachary
From St. Michael's, Richville

Transfers Out

Leta Brown
To Beautiful Savior, Sarasota, FL
Jon Erdman & Child Andrew
To St. John, Amelith
Debera Ulrey & Children, Madilyn & Benjamin
To Zion, Bay City
Eric Hutchinson
To Messiah, Bullock Creek
Joel & Vicky Petzold
To Messiah, Clio
Nicholas & Kathryn Pennington
To Messiah, Clio
Ben & Melissa Ahlersmeyer
To Peace, Lombard, IL
Jill Erlenbeck
To Immanuel, Bay City
Ron Schnell
To St. Michael's, Richville
Tim Pashby & Children, Kaydence & Addison
To St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth
Dave & Dianne Johnston
To Holy Cross, Jenison, MI

Releases

Pam Wood

Other-Profession of Faith

Marv & Dorothy Schreiber & Son, Michael
Heather Hayden
Laura Blue