

Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

January 2019

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

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

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Worship Services

Sunday 8:30 & 11 A.M.
Saturday 7 P.M.

Bible Study

Sunday 9:45 A.M.

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A Message from Pastor Martinal

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Paul notes that all believers are members of the Body of Christ. And, just like a body which is made up of hands and feet and legs and arms, all believers have unique gifts and functions in the Body of Christ. In fact, "God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as He chose" (1 Corinthians 12:18).

And God, through the Holy Spirit, has empowered you with various gifts. We are not all "eyes" or "ears". And we can't function as a healthy Body by being made up of only "hands" or "feet". "If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, yet one body" (1 Corinthians 12:19-20). The Body is like a choir or an orchestra, where each singer or musician has an assigned and vital role in producing a pleasing result.

We are united to Christ and to one another *because* we are one in the Body of Christ. This means we have a deep organic unity in Christ. Therefore, "if one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together" (1 Corinthians 12:26). As Christians, we are to "rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep" (Romans 12:15). We are not to be indifferent to the welfare of others but seek and rejoice in the good of all.

For this reason, to be a Christian *is* to be in a congregation and in the communion of saints. This is the only community in the world in which God "daily and richly forgives my sins and the sins of all believers" (Small Catechism, Apostles' Creed, 3rd Article, Explanation). This is the only community founded on the teaching, work, and saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The only community in which there is salvation, for it is the gathering of all who believe in Jesus Christ, who comes to us in His Word and Sacraments.

As the Body of Christ, as a community of believers gathered at St. Paul, our mission is

to confess and proclaim the forgiveness of sins for Jesus' sake and daily witnessing "the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). We are to regularly receive Word and Sacraments within our community. And we are to tell others about Jesus, participate in works of mercy and service, and support the ministry of the Church with prayer and financial gifts.

So, is there room for you in the Body of Christ? Absolutely! Through the waters of Holy Baptism and by faith, you are already a member! And if you're struggling to determine whether you are a "foot", "hand", "eye", "ear", etc., please speak to an elder or pastor, and we can prayerfully discern where God is calling you to serve. The Body of Christ is supplied with a diversity of gifts from God, some greater, some lesser, but all with a necessary part to play in building up the Body.

Later this year, during the Season of Lent, we will be exploring what it means to be a church member, a member of the Body of Christ. I strongly encourage you to attend this 6-week exploration. We believe it is vitally important so that the Body of Christ gathered at St. Paul can be a healthy, active Body in the kingdom of God. Be on the lookout for more information soon.

The Body of Christ, the Church, will always exist. Will life in the Body of Christ be one of continual peace and harmony? No, not in this life. For Satan is a sore loser and continually lashes out in desperation against us. But on the Last Day, we, and all the Body of Christ, will celebrate the final victory over sin, death, and Satan when Christ returns. Then, the Body of Christ will be complete and holy in the presence of our Triune God forevermore.

You are created and loved by God the Father, redeemed and sent by Jesus Christ, and made holy and empowered by the Holy Spirit to love and serve humbly according to your calling,

Pastor Tim Martinal

Spiritual News

9:45AM Sunday Adult Bible Studies

Join us for *Coffee Hour in the Gathering Place* before Bible Study begins.



Sunday School - Every Sunday. Invite a friend!

Jan. 6th Bible Study - Led by Rev. Erber (one of our TIM Missionaries.)

Other Bible Study Opportunities

Men's Bible Study - January 5th at 8AM in the Library.

Music at St. Paul



Handbells

Mondays at 7PM in the church.
Everybody is welcome to join. No experience necessary. You don't even need to be able to read music! If you have any questions, please contact Julie Keinath at 989-882-5531.

Church Choir

Wednesdays at 6:53PM in the band room.

Praise Team

Thursdays at 6:15PM in the church.

If you love to sing, play an instrument, or just want to praise the Lord through music, come and check out one of our groups!

Scripture Readings

Jan. 6th

Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

Jan. 13th

Isaiah 43:1-7
Romans 6:1-11
Luke 3:15-22

Jan. 20th

Isaiah 62:1-5
1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

Jan. 27th

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
Luke 4:16-30

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is a great opportunity for Jr. and High School students to hear a devotion and get free breakfast **every Friday at 7AM** at the Millington High School. St. Paul is on a rotating host schedule with five other groups and we are hosting **Friday, Feb. 8th**. If you would like to help make the breakfast for this great group of kids, please call the church office.

Public School Confirmation Classes

Led by Pastor Martinal Sunday evenings from 6-7PM in the Gathering Room.



Wise Men Still Seek Him!
Epiphany - January 6th



Lutheran Ministries "Worship for Shut-Ins"

Jan. 6th — "The Mystery of Christ Made Known" - Eph. 3:4-6
Jan. 13th — "Baptised into Christ!" - Luke 3:21-22
Jan. 20th — "Manifesting His Glory" - John 2:1-11
Jan 27th — "Read It and ...Rejoice!" - Nehemiah 8:1-10

Happenings at St. Paul

Tuesdays at St. Paul

Storyhour - 9-11AM

Quilting - 1-3PM in the Parish Hall

Looking for something to do on Tuesday afternoons? Come and join our **Quilting** ladies from 1-3PM in the Parish Hall beginning . No experience necessary. Anyone can tie a knot, cut a square, and visit! Call Lori if questions at 989-205-9873.

Painting - 6-8PM in the Projects Room

AA - 7:30PM in the Council Room

Prayer Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 10th at 6:30PM in the Chapel

Please come and pray for our church family, neighbors and friends, our Community, State and Country. We are gathering together on the second Thursday of each month to bring our needs and pray together. We will have a short message on the topic of "prayer" each meeting and then spend time praying for one another and the needs that are brought to us. We will also share some written prayers and learn how to pray more effectively. Come join us! All are welcome!

Scrapbooking

Sat., Jan. 12th from 9AM-7PM in the Projects Room. Pre - register \$6.00 per person or \$10.00 at the door. Please bring a dish to pass if staying all day and your beverage. **R.S.V.P.** in the school office 871-4581 or school.office@spmill.org.



Euchre

Jan. 12th from 4-7PM in the Parish Hall
Everyone (men and women) 16 and older are invited.
Snacks provided. Come and join us for some fun!

Dorcas Tea Party

Sun., Jan. 20th at 9:45AM
in the Parish Hall
Everyone invited!
Dust off your favorite tea cup!
More details to follow!



January Meetings

Youth Team

Tues., Jan. 8th at 6PM in the Youth Room

PTL

Tues., Jan. 8th at 6PM

Dorcas Planning Meeting

Wed., Jan. 9th at 2:30PM

Council

Wed., Jan. 9th at 6:30PM in the Library

Stephen Ministry

Mon., Jan. 14th & 28th, at 7PM

Evangelism

Wed., Jan 16th at 7PM

Elders

Wed., Jan. 23rd at 7:30PM

Area News

You are invited to a **little taste of summer** on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at Valley Lutheran High School, 3560 McCarty Rd, Saginaw. The St. John Amelith Men's Athletic Club is once again **barbecuing chicken** at Valley Lutheran. Dinner is from 11AM-1:30PM and includes real mashed potatoes, corn, a roll, homemade coleslaw, and pie. Price is \$11 for a half chicken meal or \$9 for a quarter chicken meal. Please consider joining us or order for take-out. Proceeds will benefit the athletic, drama and music departments at Valley Lutheran. Thank you for your support!

Valley Lutheran Thanks You! Thank you to all churches and people associated in any way with our Fruit Sale Fundraiser. Our appreciation to all buyers, sellers, distributors and helpers for your cooperation & support. Money raised will help support music, drama, athletics and many other activities at Valley Lutheran High School. Through your support and the student body, we are fortunate and thankful to meet our goal! Total boxes sold for 2018 were 385 = 11,550 pounds. Wow!

Time to Plan Ahead!

No Reason Party

Please join the Fellowship Team on Sun., March 10th for our first annual "No Reason Party!" We will meet after 2nd service for a potluck dinner (meat and drinks provided by the Fellowship Team.) Everyone bring a dish to pass. After dinner we will host a Talent Show for all members of our church and school. Come enjoy an afternoon of great fellowship and entertainment as we are entertained by all the talented people we have in our congregation and school. Any questions, please see Angie Ayotte or any member of the Fellowship Team.



St. Paul Lutheran School

January 2019

St. Paul Lutheran School is committed to engaging students with a comprehensive education grounded in God's Word to prepare them for a life in Christ.

Welcome to the year 2019! What a better way to start this brand new year than with our Lord and Savior! We begin our journey with hearts open and ready for God to lovingly lead us on His path through this year no matter what it holds for each of us; remembering, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble." Psalm 46:1

The faculty and staff would like to thank everyone that showed us such love through the CHRISTmas season, as well as anyone that was able to help with this year's Children's CHRISTmas services. You, your help and prayers were definitely gifts to all of us.



Here is a list of the up-coming school activities for January.

- Jan. 6 Epiphany
- Jan. 7 school resumes
- Jan. 8 PTL Meeting at 6 p.m.
- Jan. 11 Spirit Day, ½ Day of classes, dismissal at 11:15 a.m.
- Jan. 21 No School ~ Great Lakes Bay Teacher Conference
- Jan. 24 ½ day of classes, dismissal at 11:15 a.m., PTL Sledding Party
- Jan. 25 ½ day of classes,(end of quarter)dismissal at 11:15 a.m., Fish Fry

If there is a school delay or cancellation, we will be following Millington public schools. You can find notifications on any of the major television or radio stations in the area and through the phone system of St. Paul.

School Musical Opportunities

- Jan. 13 All grades K-8 choice of service
- Jan. 27 Free Spirit Choir 8:30 a.m.

Spartan Sports

Our basketball season for B-teams boys and girls finished last month. Congratulations to both B-teams on seasons well played. Thank you to the coaches, fans and parents for all they did for these children. C-Team basketball starts soon. Come and support the children as they use their God-given talents.

We have many programs going on throughout the school year that earn money for St. Paul: Box-Tops for Education, can tabs, ink cartridges, Shoparoo as well as Meijer and Kroger programs. See the school office for more information.

Bookkeeper's Corner / Memorials / Financial Info.

The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills

New year – new books!

The voters approved the Calendar Year 2019 (CY19) budget at the December 2018 assembly. You were given a sneak preview last month, but here is the approved surplus budget summary that the individual Boards will manage:

FY 19 Approved	Income	Expense
Education	230,364	9,100
Elders	715	16,335
Evangelism	0	0
Fellowship	0	0
Finance	675,796	4,180
Salary & Personnel	1,800	795,875
Social Concern	0	0
Stewardship	0	1,400
Trustees	3,500	84,741
TOTAL	912,175	911,631
DIFFERENCE		544

Each line item has a great amount of detail to support the numbers – way too many pages for the Messenger. If you would like to ask questions on the detail, you can contact the specific Board.

On-Line Giving. Some of you participate in on-line giving; others would like to, but find the ability to contribute too restrictive. As of December 31, 2018 our on-line program, Excel in Giving, is history. All present participants have been cancelled.

Church Extension Fund is going to underwrite some of the fees associated with on-line giving in a new program called Kindrid. A few folks in the church are presently driving through the new software to see how it works. You should be able to establish your own account, give when you're able, in any amount, from a phone, from a computer, credit card, ACH from bank, etc, etc. You'll be hearing more about this software as soon after we have analyzed the impact to the church (we will have to absorb some of the transaction fees....possibly).



MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

In Memory of Bob & Duane Benish General Fund	\$50.00
In Memory of Mike & Alan Petzold Memorials Undesignated	\$25.00

CEF Building Fund Summary

Mortgage Balance as of 11/30/18: \$623,949.21
 Debt free date if nothing changes: October 2022
 Nov 2018 Mortgage Payment: \$14,135.00
 * Principal \$12,901.38
 * Interest \$ 1,233.62
 Amount received to pay mortgage: \$15,209.40
 Amount added to contingency fund: \$ 1,074.40
 Balance LEFT in contingency fund: \$12,570.13

November 2018 Income & Expense Summary

November General Fund Income: \$78,989.08
 November General Fund Expenses: \$(86,229.93)
 November Deficit: \$(7,240.85)

Cash Accounts Summary

Designated/Memorial Balance: \$214,764.53
 General Fund Checking Balance: \$ 32,859.97

What is Thrivent Choice?

Thrivent Choice is a charitable grant program that encourages members of Thrivent to recommend where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable funding. Choice Dollars® and Thrivent Choice Voting® Events result in the distribution of several million dollars of grant funds to causes that members like you care about most. If you qualify, **your Choice Dollars can be directed every quarter, or once a year.** If you haven't directed your dollars for 2018, please call Thrivent or go online to www.thrivent.com.

Offering Envelopes

2019 Church Offering Envelopes are in the narthex. Please take your box or any others that you could deliver to. Call the church office if you can't find your box.

Church Financial Statements

End of year **church financial statements** will be available upon request. Call the church office at 871-4581 #3 or email church.office@spmill.org and we will print one for you after the new year.

Daily Lectionary / Special Services

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 2019		1 Is. 61:1-11 Luke 1:57-80	2 Is. 62:1-12 Luke 2:1-20	3 Is. 63:1-14 Luke 2:21-40	4 Is. 63:15-65:2 Luke 2:41-52	5 Is. 65:8-25 Luke 3:1-20
6 Is. 66:1-20 Luke 3:21-38	7 Ezek. 1:1-14, 22-28 Rom. 1:1-17	8 Ezek. 2:1-3:11 Rom. 1:18-32	9 Ezek. 3:12-27 Rom. 2:1-16	10 Ezek. 18:1-4, 19-32 Rom. 2:17-29	11 Ezek. 33:1-20 Rom. 3:1-18	12 Ezek. 34:1-24 Rom. 3:19-31
13 Ezek. 36:13-28 Rom. 4:1-25	14 Ezek. 36:33- 37:14 Rom. 5:1-21	15 Ezek. 37:15-28 Rom. 6:1-23	16 Ezek. 38: 1-23 Rom. 7:1-20	17 Ezek. 39:1-10, 17-29 Rom. 7:21-8:17	18 Ezek. 40:1-4, 43:1-12 Rom. 8:18-39	19 Ezek. 44:1-16, 23-29 Rom. 9:1-18
20 Ezek. 47:1-14, 21-23 Rom. 9: 19-33	21 Joel 1:1-20 Rom. 10:1-21	22 Joel 2:1-17 Rom. 11:1-24	23 Joel 2:18-32 Rom. 11:25- 12:13	24 Joel 3:1-21 Rom. 12:14-13:14	25 Zech. 1:1-21 Rom. 14:1-23	26 Zech. 2:1-3:10 Rom. 15:1-13
27 Zech. 4:1-5:11 Rom. 15:14-33	28 Zech. 6:1-7:14 Rom. 16:17-27	29 Zech. 8:1-23 2 Tim. 1:1-18	30 Zech. 9:1-17 2 Tim. 2:1-26	31 Zech. 10:1-11:3 2 Tim. 3:1-17		



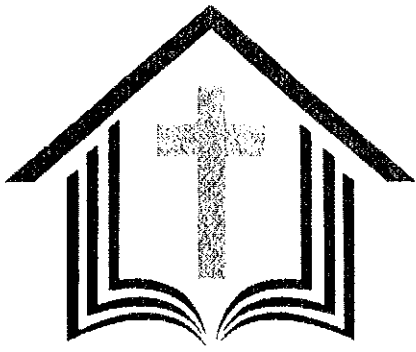
**BRING
IT HOME**
Reading the Great Stories of the Bible

There are many yearly Bible reading plans to choose from. Many of us may make New Year's resolutions to read through the entire Bible in the coming year. "This is the year!", we boldly promise. But by mid-February, in the midst of Leviticus, we often roll our eyes at the thought of continuing one more day reading about "cleansing from infections skin diseases" and "rules for priests". So, we quit, until next year. But that doesn't mean we shouldn't read the Bible. So, **we're inviting you to read the Bible with us in 2019.**

What makes this Bible reading plan different? Well, we're not reading the entire Bible, although you're certainly able and encouraged to do so. Instead, we're reading the great stories of the Bible. Each week, we're asking you to read 3 stories. We're encouraging you to set aside 10-15 minutes for 3 days each week to immerse yourself in the Word of God. It helps to do this at the same time of day each time you read a story if you can. Included in this Messenger are the great stories we are reading in January. If you are married, try to do this together. If you have children, let them read from the Bible if they are able. Try discussing the questions provided and pray the prayer together.

Over the next several months, we'll read 100+ great stories of the Bible together. And while we won't read the entire Bible, we hope you will grow in your appreciation for reading it together and praying together. God's truth about Jesus Christ, namely the promise of the forgiveness of sins for Jesus' sake, is made known in the Bible. As Jesus said in John, "If you abide in My word, you are truly My disciples"; "whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing." And, as Paul writes in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the [people] of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."

May God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless our reading of His Word as we abide in His Word in 2019!



BRING IT HOME

Reading the Great Stories of the Bible

WEEK 1-2 | READINGS 1-6

January 6-19

GOD CREATES THE WORLD—Genesis 1

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What did God say when he was finished? What's good about His creation?
- ◆ What does it mean to you that God said, "Let Us make Man in Our image."?

GOD CREATES ADAM AND EVE—Genesis 2

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What work did God give Adam and Eve to do?
- ◆ Why do you think God let Adam name all the animals?

Prayer: Holy Father, it is not good to be alone. Thank You for giving us parents who love us, family members who care for us, and friends who make our lives better. Most of all, thank You for sending Your own Son, Jesus Christ, who loved us and died to save us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

SIN ENTERS THE WORLD—Genesis 3

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What wrong thing did Adam and Eve do?
- ◆ What was the lie of Satan? How does Satan lie to us today?
- ◆ What promise did God give Adam and Eve?

Prayer: God, our Father, thank You for sending Jesus to save Adam and Eve and all of us. Help me treat others kindly and tell them about Your promise. In Jesus' name. Amen.

CAIN AND ABEL—Genesis 4

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Why do you think Cain killed his brother Abel?
- ◆ Even as God pronounced judgement on Cain for his sin, what did He do for him?

Prayer: Father, You loved and took care of Cain even when he sinned. Forgive my sins, for Jesus' sake. Thank you for always being there for me and giving me hope! In Jesus name. Amen.

NOAH BUILDS THE ARK AND THE FLOOD—Genesis 6-7

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What scares you about storms?
- ◆ How is the ark like the Church? How is the flood like Holy Baptism?

Prayer: Lord God, our Father, thank You for saving Noah and his family in the ark. Help us to believe Your promises like Noah did and to share Jesus' love with the people who don't know Him. In Jesus' name. Amen.

GOD'S PROMISE TO NOAH—Genesis 8

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ God gave them the rainbow as a sign of the covenant he made between God and man. What does the sign of the rainbow mean?
- ◆ The cross is our sign from God. Of what does the cross of Jesus remind us?

Prayer: Dear Lord, Your sign of the rainbow is a promise to us. So is the cross of Jesus. Remind us of Your never-ending love and forgiveness for us. Thank you. In Jesus' name. Amen.



BRING IT HOME

Reading the Great Stories of the Bible

WEEK 3-4 | READINGS 7-12

January 20-February 2

THE TOWER OF BABEL—Genesis 11

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ If you could learn any language in the world, which language would you learn?
- ◆ How is the Tower of Babel undone at Pentecost (see Acts 2)?

GOD CALLS ABRAM—Genesis 12

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ List all the blessings God promised Abram.
- ◆ Make a list of the blessings we have because of Jesus and His sacrifice on the cross.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for calling Abram to follow You. Thank You also for keeping Your promise to send one of his descendants to be the Savior, Your Son, Jesus Christ. Thank You for all Your blessings to us. Amen.

ABRAM'S VISITORS FROM HEAVEN—Genesis 18

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Describe a time you prayed but God didn't seem to do anything.
- ◆ It was 25 years before God fulfilled his promise to Abraham that he would be the father of many nations. Where do you need patience with God?

Prayer: God, our Father, thank You for keeping Your promises, especially Your promise to send Your Son into our world to save us. Fill our hearts with laughter always, so we will gladly tell others what You have done for us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

GOD RESCUES LOT—Genesis 19

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What is the scariest place you've even been?
- ◆ How does God rescue Lot? How does God rescue you from sin and death?

Prayer: Lord God, Judgment Day will be very scary for the people who don't believe in Jesus. Thank You for giving me faith. Help me to tell others as Lot did. In Jesus name. Amen.

GOD TESTS ABRAHAM—Genesis 22

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What is the hardest thing anyone has ever asked you to do?
- ◆ What did Abraham tell Isaac, when he asked about the lamb for the sacrifice? Who is the final lamb of sacrifice?

Prayer: Lord, You provided the sacrifice for Abraham and spared his son Isaac. Thank You for loving us so much that You gave up Your only Son, Jesus, to save us. And Jesus, thank You for carrying Your cross to this mountain to die for us all. In Jesus' name. Amen.

ISAAC AND REBEKAH—Genesis 24

Completed

Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Describe something you asked God to do for you.
- ◆ Abraham sent his servant to find a wife for Isaac that shared his values. What values do you think are important for a spouse?

Prayer: Lord God, thank You for watching over us and providing everything we need. Remind me to pray to You, because You promise to answer all my prayers according to Your will for Jesus' sake. Bless our homes with godliness, contentment, and trust in you. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Opportunities / Special Thanks / Misc.

Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

Altar Guild

We are in desperate need of a new **Altar Guild chairperson**. Please call the church office for more details or questions.

St. Paul Student Aid

From time to time, situations arise in our lives causing a financial crisis. Loss of job, divorce/marital separation, and medical situations are a few of those times when we may not know how we are going to pay the bills. Some of our school families are dealing with these and similar situations and are in need of Christian compassion, assistances and encouragement. St. Paul Student Aid Fund has been set up to help families meet their financial obligation for tuition/fees. Donations to this fund are greatly appreciated and needed. If God has gifted you to be a blessing to these families, contributions may be brought to the church or school office. Much thanks!

Saginaw Rescue Mission

Our next Rescue Mission date is Jan. 12th at 10AM. Every second Saturday of the month we prepare and serve meals at the City Rescue Mission of Saginaw. We arrive at the Mission at 10AM and finish by 2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help. If you wish to help prepare sack lunches, please come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., Jan. 11th at 1:30PM. There is also a sign-up sheet on the glass case in the narthex. Please help if you are able.

Health Kits

The Dorcas ladies made up 23 health kits. Thank you for your donations! The next collection will need 25 hand towels, 10 wash cloths, 30 shampoo.

NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY AHERA

On January 23, 1998, we had St. Paul Lutheran Church and School reinspected for asbestos hazard by Digus Consultant Company. They are Environmental Protection Agency accredited and Michigan Department of Public Health licensed as inspectors and management planners. This reinspection was performed in compliance with AHERA-Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act.

Although we do have some asbestos in our building, some response actions and periodic surveillance will help control possible hazard to our congregation, students, staff, parents or guardians, custodians, part-time workers, or contractors.

This reinspection report will be included in the management plan and is available for your inspection by appointment only with Raymond Leach, the Asbestos Program Manager for our church and school.

Reinspection of these materials at St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, Millington, shall be conducted at least once every three years. Annual notification shall be issued and updated information shall be made available.

January 26, 1999

Special Thanks!

The Board of Evangelism would like to **thank** everyone that participated in the Christmas caroling. We had a great turnout and the community enjoyed it.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to purchase a new nativity for the Millington community. The nativity is in front of the Village Office. Additional figures will be added with future donations.

Thank you to the congregation, pastors, and prayer chain for all the thoughts and prayers for Chris Stahl for many months. We truly appreciate it.
--Pam Maas & family

St. Paul, **Thank you** for praying for me. It is appreciated. --Ireva Wolverton

Thank you so much for all you have done for me and still do. I am so thankful for all of you, I can't begin to mention you by name. God's blessings to you all! --Art Weber

Messenger Sponsors

Messenger sponsors are needed for 2019. The cost is \$75.00 per month. Please call the church office to pick a month.

Altar Flowers

The 2019 Flower Chart is hanging in the hallway between the church mailboxes. When signing up for flowers, please write your name, phone number, and if center or side vases. You are responsible for calling the florist of your choice and also for calling the church office for your bulletin article.

Annual Reports

It's that time again! All boards, committees, groups, etc. need to submit their annual reports by Mon., Jan. 7th. Either email to church.office@spmill.org or bring to the church office. Examples can be found in previous reports. If questions, please call the church office 871-4581.





SUPER BOWL SUB SANDWICHES

The 7th & 8th graders will be making sub sandwiches for Super Bowl Sunday as a fundraiser to go toward their Washington D.C. trip in the spring. Orders will be accepted until **Thursday, January 31st**.

Sandwiches can be picked up in the kitchen on Super Bowl Sunday (February 3rd) after the 8:30 or 11AM worship services.

Prices: 12" sub - \$8.00, 6" sub - \$5.00

Sub Choices: Turkey, Ham, and Cold Cut

Subs come with meat, cheese & lettuce (tomatoes are optional.)

Please place the number of subs you would like in the appropriate column below. Forms can be turned in to the church office. Thank you from all the youth for your support!

	6"	12"	
1. TURKEY	_____	_____	Tomatoes Yes / No
2. HAM	_____	_____	Yes / No
3. COLD CUT (ham, salami, turkey)	_____	_____	Yes / No
 Total Due:	 _____	 _____	 Paid: Yes / No

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

St. Paul Lutheran Church Voters' Assembly Minutes

October 14, 2018

Opening prayer by Pastor Bruner.

Meeting called to order by President Ed Sergent at 1:30PM.

Moved and supported to accept the Voters' Minutes of August 12, 2018. Motion carried.

Old Business: Diane Mills read the second reading of the Constitution Change (Preamble).

Moved and supported to accept the second reading. To be voted at December meeting.
Motion carried. Refer to attachment A.

Diane Mills read through each By-Law change.

Moved and supported to accept changes to the By-Laws with the exception of By-Law Para V.K.
Motion carried. Refer to attachment B.

New Business:

Board Reports

Principal/Board of Ed - Paul Schoenknecht

School's Mission Statement: *St. Paul Lutheran School is committed to engaging students with a comprehensive education grounded in God's Word to prepare them for a life in Christ. As we strive to carry out this mission and the Great Commission of our Lord (Matt. 28:19-20), the students and staff of St. Paul are involved in the following:*

- Conduct daily Jesus Time/Religion classes
- Classroom prayer and devotions
- Weekly Chapel
- Heavenly Homework
- Faculty Bible Study and Prayer Partners

During the month of October, special activities have or will occur in carrying out this mission:

- Oct 5th - 1st, 4th, 7th, and 8th grades wrote Bible verses on the Rail Trail in Millington.
- Oct 12th - 7th & 8th grade participated in *Feed My Starving Children*.
- Oct. 23rd - Empty Bowls
- Oct. 28th - 1st Grade Bible Presentation

School Happenings:

- Super Sprint Sept. 28th. To date, raised over \$3,200.
- NWEA testing will be conducted this month.
- Dads and Donuts for PS-2nd grades on Oct. 12th.
- MANS Conference for all teaching staff, Oct. 18th & 19th in Grand Rapids.
- Profess. Development for teaching staff, ½ day on Oct. 26th. Our topic *Applied Behavior Analysis led by Dr. Claudia Leandres*.
- Grandparents Day Nov. 2nd.
- Veteran's Day Celebration Nov. 12th.
- Parent/teacher Conferences Nov. 19th & 20th.
- 147 Students PS-8th grade.
- Had a meal and met with teachers at board meeting. All is well.
- Soccer and volleyball seasons finished. Basketball is soon.
- PTL is creating a community garden. Will incorporate with the curriculum and share the bounty. Classes will each do a bed.

Board of Elders - Glenn Brown

- 2019 service schedule set. Single Sunday services will begin June 16th and go through Sept. 8th so everyone can attend the teacher rededication on the 8th.
- Saturday evening services being changed to 7PM beginning Nov. 1st.
- Still working on inactives and will assess the results the end of the month. Inaccurate phone numbers and addresses in the roster. If your numbers change or someone you know, let the church office know.
- October is Pastor Appreciation Month.

Board of Evangelism - Jan Snyder

- Would like to set up a table in the narthex for gifts and info on St. Paul for visitors.
- Setting dates for Christmas Caroling.
- New ways to interact with the community during the festival.
- St. Paul will have an advertisement in the Timbers golf brochure. Will be seen by 20,000 golfers annually. This will include our QR code that will go to our website. Cost is \$349.00.

Board of Fellowship - No Report

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Board of Finance - Diane Mills

- September Income: \$ 69,343.35; Expense: \$ 96,956.13
- Fiscal Year 18-19 Surplus to date: \$ 51,907.39
- Starting **Deficit** 06/30/18: (\$ 17,413.64); current surplus: \$34,493.75
- Mortgage Balance: \$ 636,873.14
- 110 school families.
- Collections: \$74,855.00 - 57 paid; 39 making monthly payments; 14 pay on own; 8 not meeting obligation.
- Memorials: \$16,145.91

Board of Social Concerns - No Report

Board of Stewardship - No Report

Board of Trustees - No Report

Salary & Personnel - Tim Keinath

- Will be attending a LEAP meeting Oct. 25th. Insurance topic - hoping to find ways to cut costs.

Trust & Investment - Dick Glady

Read the following statement:

Our committee is recommending that Voters' turn down the by-law changes for T & I that were read at the last Voters' meeting and tabled until this meeting. The reason being, is that T & I Committee has added additional changes along with today's proposed changes to our current by-laws. We feel that it would be a waste of time to do this twice. If you choose to pass, or turn down the current proposed changes today, we will be bringing revised by-law changes to the December Voters' meeting for a first reading.

We have received a copy of St. Michael's Endowment Fund policy and procedures, and have found that we have many areas that needed to be addressed.

Thank you, T & I Committee

Nominating Committee

- Board elections will be Nov. 10th & 11th before and after services. Need to be a voting member and have attended a voters' meeting in the last year. 65 and older can all vote.

Associate Pastor

- Team teaching 7th/8th grade Confirmation Class with Pastor Bruner.
- Adult Instruction Class - 6; Public School Confirmation - 2.
- How to build up the next generation and train up. The average age attending are not the young people. What do we do? Where are they? Give other skills besides religion. Need to try new things. Get families of all ages involved. This can not just fall on the pastors. We all need to help.
- Thank you for welcoming Patti and I.

Administrative Pastor - Printed Report

- Introducing Pastor Martinal to our shut-ins and took him on a tour to the Saginaw hospitals.
- 30 shut-ins. Two with the Lord. Five have been worshipping. Three are unreachable. Remaining 20 have been visited at least once (and 13 have been visited twice this last quarter.)
- Have referred several people to Crossroads Counseling in Frankenmuth. We provide some financial assistance and have used up our budget line item. Additional funding was found through Memorials. Members would benefit in knowing this is one of the ways we provide ministry to others.
- Began promoting our SPL ministries and needs they might have through the Messenger and bulletin. Also started sharing information about ministries in the MI District that members could support and volunteer. The goal is to help members see where they are working together as the body of Christ to provide emotional, physical and spiritual care, so they will continue to be engaged in the ministry of SPL.
- Sunday morning Bible class on Book of James. 30 or more in attendance each week.
- Began Jr. and Adult Confirmation Classes.
- Working on a focal point that will help members recognize Jesus at work in their past and present lives. It is our hope that members will share examples of what God is doing in and through them now and look forward with confidence and excitement for more of the same. Ex: What is your Confirmation verse and how has God used it in your life?
- LEAP is discussing with Concordia Plan forming a potential group for health insurance purposes that could result in savings. LEAP shops - what has LEAP accomplished. Celebrating teaching staffs.
- Steve Kern will be the lay delegate for the Synodical Convention. We need to designate a lay voter to cast the vote for President and Vice President.

Closed with the common doxology.

Moved and supported to adjourn at 2:45PM.

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Stacey Force, Congregational Secretary

January 2019

St. Paul Lutheran Church Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1 <i>New Year's Day</i>	2	3 6:15PM Praise Team	4	5 8AM Men's Bible Study 7PM Worship
6 Epiphany 8:30AM Worship+C <i>Church Choir</i> 9:45AM Bible Study- Rev. Erber Sunday School 11AM Worship <i>Church Choir</i> 6-7PM Pub. School Conf.	7 <i>School Resumes</i> 7PM Handbells	8 7AM Jubilee 9-11AM Storyhour 12-3PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 6PM -PTL Meeting - Youth Team 7:30PM AA	9 2:30PM Dorcas Planning Meeting 6:30PM Council 6:53PM Choir	10 6:15PM Praise Team 6:30PM Prayer Meeting	11 <i>½ Day School</i> 1:30PM Pack Lunches	12 9AM-7PM Scrapbooking in Projects Room 10AM Rescue Mission 4-7PM Euchre Event 7PM Worship+C
13 8:30AM Worship <i>Grades K-8</i> 9:45AM Sunday School 11AM Worship+C <i>Grades K-8</i> 6-7PM Pub. School Conf.	14 7PM -Handbells - Stephen Ministers	15 7AM Jubilee 9-11AM Storyhour 12-3PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	16 6:53PM Choir 7PM Evangelism	17 6:15PM Praise Team	18	19 7PM Worship
20 8:30AM Worship+C <i>Handbells</i> Dorcas Tea 11AM Worship <i>Handbells</i> 6-7PM Pub. School Conf.	21 No School 7PM Handbells	22 7AM Jubilee 9-11AM Storyhour 12-3PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	23 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders	24 <i>½ Day of School</i> 6:15PM Praise Team	25 <i>½ Day of School</i> Fish Fry	26 7PM Worship+C
27 8:30AM Worship <i>Free Spirit</i> 9:45AM Sunday School 11AM Worship+C Contemporary 6-7PM Pub. School Conf.	28 7PM - Handbells -Stephen Ministry	29 7AM Jubilee 9-11AM Storyhour 12-3PM Quilting 6-8PM Painting 7:30PM AA	30 6:53PM Choir 7:30PM Elders	31 6:15PM Praise Team		

Acolytes, Screen Techs, Greeters, Ushers, Sextons

January				
Acolytes	5/6	12/13	19/20	26/27
7PM	Kailee Fackler	Carly Trinklein	Kailee Fackler	Carly Trinklein
8:30AM	Hoards	Ryan Keinath	Hoards	Ryan Keinath
11AM	Luke Petzold	Peyton Schmandt	Tyler Rude	Rodammers
Screen Tech	5/6	12/13	19/20	26/27
7PM	Weston Reinig	Lydia Bruner	Kailee Fackler	Mason Lugg
8:30AM	Ryan Keinath	Singers	Carly Trinklein	**Available**
11AM	Ayottes	Hunter Ayotte	Julie Keinath	Hannah Woolwine
Greeters	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday
7PM	Wilbert & Sue Ill	Shelli Lugg	Mason Lugg	Ed Sergent
8:30 AM	Shirley Ann Petzold	Gale Brown Ken & Kathy Ill	Katrina Wager Rosie Horning	Dorothy Schreiber Eileen Ziegler
11AM	Les & Diane Maxson Ron & Olga Nims	Wayne & Luanne Jaruzel	Dale & Pam Hanlin	Keith & Heidi Woolwine

Ushers

8:30AM Service

Captain – Glenn Brown
Gale Brown
Armand Carmona
Fay Carmona
Mike Kern
Ron Schiefer
Gary Wagner
Bob Wager
Bill Weber
Duane Weber
Katherine Weber
Ed White

Ushers

11AM Service

Captain – Tim Daenzer
Assistant – Tim Brown
Danielle Ayotte
Matt Ayotte
Paige Ayotte
Abby Brown
Corey Daenzer
Larry Henderson
Jason Ketels
Arlyn Marks
Rod Wilson

Ushers

7:30PM Service

Captain – Jeffrey Yorke
Chad Fackler
Marc Keinath

Church Sextons

Matt & Angie Ayotte
Armand & Faye Carmona
Ed & Marcia Keinath
Ted & Katrina Wager
Rod & Nancy Wilson

*“Volunteers do not necessarily
have the time;
they just have the heart.”*



Birthday Celebrations

David Daniel	1/1	Morgan Rosebush	1/12	Nicholas Corrigan	1/23
Charles Haley	1/1	Lana Schultz	1/12	Michael Derscha	1/23
Mark Reinertson	1/1	Russell Sherman	1/12	Kenneth Gorsuch	1/23
Marie Saeger	1/1	Brandon Stevens	1/12	Cory Hunt	1/23
Kirsten Skouson	1/1	Shannon Wyman	1/12	Kyle Koch	1/23
Sonny Bishop	1/2	Timothy Daenzer	1/13	Leah Rader	1/23
Tyler Hibbard	1/2	Todd List	1/13	Jodie Reed	1/23
Mark Raymond	1/2	Kadi Morse	1/13	Aaron Schiefer	1/23
Kaiden Rueckert	1/2	Jillian Muehlenbeck	1/14	Robert Williams	1/23
Joshua Schuler	1/2	Jacob Orwick	1/14	Patrick Hayden	1/24
Nicholas Tolbert	1/2	Kevin Whaley	1/14	RaeAnn Henderson	1/24
Cathy Beagle	1/3	Joshua Blue	1/15	Boyden McClenathen	1/24
Tyler Bentley	1/3	Steven Kennard	1/15	Kandace Milostan	1/24
Cathleen Bloor	1/3	Gabrielle Sergent	1/15	Adam Schmidt	1/24
Carol Kammer	1/3	Grace Brown	1/16	Aaron Staple	1/24
Gailan Kester	1/3	Logan Curtis	1/16	Amanda Stevens	1/24
Debra Nitz	1/3	Alan Draper	1/16	Courtney Derscha	1/25
Marlene Stratton	1/3	David Engelhart	1/16	Amber Inman	1/25
Shelly Cobb	1/4	Nicole Jaruzel	1/16	Ron Petzold	1/25
Lela Higgins	1/4	Robert McClenathen	1/16	Donna Stange	1/25
Alexander Keinath	1/4	Kenneth Reinert	1/16	Fred Trinklein	1/25
Calvin Salem	1/4	LeeAnn Wagner	1/16	George Whittaker	1/25
Janice Schiefer	1/4	Dustin Bishop	1/17	Ashley Wisenbach	1/25
James Wood	1/4	Samantha Bishop	1/17	James Brueggemann Sr.	1/26
Keith Frasier	1/5	Sydney Bishop	1/17	Airiel Esparza	1/26
Dwayne Rose	1/5	Nicholas Cassidy	1/17	Joshua White	1/26
Carol Schwab	1/5	Bill Garrett	1/17	David Kern	1/27
Andrew Selich	1/5	Seth Keinath	1/17	Paul Petzold	1/27
Brian Weber	1/5	Constance Daenzer	1/18	Brynnlee Watts	1/27
Elizabeth Coleman	1/6	Evan Damm	1/18	Lon Coleman	1/28
Sheri Erlenbeck	1/6	Jason Damm	1/18	Karen Dumler	1/28
Cody Mason	1/6	Terri Keinath	1/18	Dorothy Schreiber	1/28
Willard Petzold	1/6	Mitch Loomis	1/18	Martin Snover	1/28
Linda Rohde	1/6	Andrew Maschke	1/18	Dustin Griesing	1/29
Michael Sherman	1/6	Nancy Petzold	1/18	Brittany Hunt	1/29
Eugene Ziegler	1/6	Nichael Schiefer	1/18	Stacie Ramsey	1/29
Kenneth Cunningham	1/7	Jeanette Smith	1/18	Kyrian Thomason	1/29
Jamie Curtis	1/7	Don Stange	1/18	Michael White	1/29
William Earl	1/7	Richard Harpst	1/19	Lynn Borcharding	1/30
Kathleen Hergenreder	1/7	Susan Lyons	1/19	Ricky Horning	1/30
Chase Wiacek	1/7	Ciara Mason	1/19	Ellen Reinertson	1/30
Blake Erlenbeck	1/8	Gailan Reinert	1/19	Chelsea Torrey	1/30
Lonnie Kester	1/8	Theodore Wager	1/19	Judith Warner	1/30
Tina White	1/8	Jordan Watchpocket	1/19	Julie Weiss	1/30
Lisa Aulbert	1/9	Ronald White	1/19	Michael Ziegler	1/30
Phillip Gordon	1/9	Gary Woelzlein	1/19	Gary Balcom	1/31
Brenda Keinath	1/9	Montgomery Carlyon	1/20	Emily Petzold	1/31
John Kowitz	1/9	Joy Cassidy	1/20	Sheryl Schiefer	1/31
Bethany Reinert	1/9	Richard Gladly	1/20	Keven Washburn	1/31
Penny Schoenknecht	1/9	Shayla Heike	1/20		
Mark Wyman	1/9	Thomas Meeks	1/20		
Jerrit Baker	1/10	Heather O'Hearn	1/20		
Sarah Burns	1/10	Zoey Paquette	1/20		
Donna Mulka	1/10	Dana Schember	1/20		
William Rosebush	1/10	Kylie Snyder	1/20		
Lukas Selich	1/10	Anthony Wagner	1/20		
Kody Steepe	1/10	Heidi Woolwine	1/20		
Marcus H. Jensen Jr.	1/11	William Ackerman	1/21		
Cheyenne St. Onge	1/11	Abigail Brown	1/21		
Benjamin Wittum	1/11	Daniel DeOrnellas	1/21		
Shelley Coon	1/12	Shannon Huber	1/21		
Philip Erickson	1/12	Diane Maxson	1/21		
Richard Gross	1/12	Christopher Smith	1/21		
Shelly Holmes	1/12	Christopher Washburn	1/21		
Roger Keinath	1/12	Nicholas Gunter	1/22		
Kolten Long	1/12	Philip Morrow	1/22		
Zachary Mills	1/12	Luke Petzold	1/22		
Wyatt Reinert	1/12	Keith Brown II	1/23		



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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January

Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School
January 2019

Happy New Year!

We all get the
exact same 365 days.

The only difference is
what we do with them.