



Monthly Messenger

St. Paul Lutheran Church & School

June 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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Saturday 7 P.M.

Bible Study

Sunday 9:45 A.M.

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A Message from Pastor Bruner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is still 2019, but the schedule is changing as if it is a new year. Now we enter the summer with all of its different activities and plans. Whatever plans we have, we will be able to have the best time when we remember to include God.

Include time for God and His Word this summer. As an individual and as a family, reboot your devotional life with the "Bring it Home" reading schedule. Perhaps, some of us never began or we fell behind. This would be a good time to start or reboot this time with God. Secondly, I urge you to give your soul the needed Sabbath rest God wants for you. Whether you are in Millington or on a trip, let God restore your soul through regular weekend worship. Our sin and the devil do not take a vacation, so continue to receive the GRACE that God provides every week through His Word and Sacraments.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).

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

Pastor Bruner
1 John 4:10-11

Warning: The following information contains graphic material.

RE: Legislation to Ban Dismemberment Abortion and potential Petition Drive to save lives.

The news and social media have been filled with reports and opinions regarding abortion in our country. Some states have recently passed laws that allow babies to be aborted up to the point of delivery and even left to die if born alive. This infanticide is unimaginable, but now a reality in our country. On the other hand, several states have passed laws to protect the unborn as soon as a heartbeat is detected. The laws of our land do not change the truth of God's Word. All life begins at the moment of conception. We mourn the death of any unborn child, and we celebrate the steps being made to value life inside the womb of a mother at every stage.

In Michigan, our elected officials are close to sending a bill to the governor that outlaws one specific abortion procedure. This horrific and dis-

turbing procedure, Dismemberment Abortion or also called D&E (dilation & evacuation) abortion, dismembers the fetus in order to remove it from the womb. The fetus is torn apart, limb from limb, before being removed from the womb.

The dismemberment abortion procedure is the most frequently-used late-term abortion procedure. In 2017, there were 1,777 dismemberment abortions in Michigan reported to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

The dismemberment ban bills include an exception if the mother's life is in danger. However, in published research on reasons women have abortions, the pro-abortion Alan Guttmacher Institute has stated that most late-term abortions are done for elective reasons.

Governor Whitmer has already promised that she will veto any bill limiting abortion. Right to Life of Michigan is prepared to seek voter support to override this veto. Should the governor veto this bill, there will be a petition drive to gather signatures from registered Michigan voters who support the ban on this gruesome procedure. After enough signatures are gathered, the citizens can initiate legislation directly to the Legislature. If the Michigan House and Senate approve the legislation, it becomes law without any further input from the governor.

We will be providing any eligible voter the opportunity to sign this petition. Should you so desire, you may also be able to gather additional signatures. We will provide more information on the process at a later time. If you want to attend a regional meeting to learn about this petition drive there will be meetings held at St. Paul Lutheran in Bay City (6095 Westside Saginaw Rd) on June 11th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and in Marlette on June 20th. Contact Pastor Bruner if interested in attending or if you want to help gather signatures (at work, among family and friends, places you frequent, etc.). This petition drive will be necessary only if the governor vetoes the legislation presented to her by the Legislature that calls for a ban on Dismemberment Abortion.

Please pray that God will give her a change of heart and all who fail to acknowledge every precious life inside the womb. Also pray for those who have been deceived and hurt as a result of the abortion industry. Only God's grace can bring healing.

For more information go to www.RTL.org.



The June Messenger is sponsored in honor of my late husband, Don, and my daughter, Sherry Sebert's July birthdays, and my daughter Kristie White's 65th birthday also in July, from Eunice Peche.

Spiritual News

9:45AM Sunday Adult Bible Studies

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



Bible Study - Led by Pastor in the Library.

Other Bible Study Opportunities

Men's Bible Study – Sat., June 1st at 8AM in the Library.

Scripture Readings

June 2nd

Acts 1:12-26

Rev. 22:1-20

John 17:20-26

June 9th

Gen. 11:1-9

Acts 2:1-21

John 14:23-31

June 16th

Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31

Acts 2:14a, 22-36

John 8:48-59

June 23rd

Isaiah 65:1-9

Gal. 3:23-4:7

Luke 8:26-39

June 30th

1 Kings 19:9b-21

Gal. 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62

Summer Worship Schedule



REMINDER: Our summer combined worship services will begin Sunday, June 16th. We will have one service on Sundays at 10AM with Bible Study at 9AM. Saturday evening will stay the same at 7PM.

Music at St. Paul



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!



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

June 2nd - "What Are You Doing Here?" - Acts 1:1-11

June 9th - "Let Us Go!" - John 14:31

June 16th - "Before Abraham Was, I Am" - John 8:51-59

June 23rd - "How Much God Has Done" - Luke 8:38-39

June 30th - "To Jerusalem!" - Luke 9:51

Graduation



All **St. Paul alumni graduates of 2019** are invited to join us in your caps and gowns for our 8th Grade Graduation on Sun., June 9th in the 8:30AM service. This includes all high school, college, trade school, etc. graduates. You will process in with our 8th graders and have reserved seating. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Adult Instruction Classes

Adult Instruction Classes will begin August 18th . You can help greatly by praying for our upcoming class. If you know someone who would be interested, call the church office or have them just show up. We will discuss the basics of what Christians believe and specifically what Lutherans teach. This is great for either those who want to become a member of St. Paul, or as a refresher for a member. Please call the church office if you are interested in attending.

Happenings at St. Paul

Tuesdays at St. Paul

Quilting is finished for this year. Please join us again next fall. Please continue to save material, sheets, and light weight blankets for us. Thank you! -The St. Paul Quilting Ladies

Painting - 6-8PM in the Projects Room

AA - 7:30PM in the Council Room

Blood Drive

Mon., June 3rd from 1-7PM in the Parish Hall.
Sign up sheet is on the glass case in the narthex or go to versiti.org.

Community Garden Celebration

Sun., June 9th between services in the pavilion.
Please bring a brunch /breakfast dish to pass.

Voters' Meeting

Sun., June 9th at 1:30PM in the church.
Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Prayer Meeting

Thursday, June 13th 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!

Father's Day

Sunday, June 16th

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY**

Gym Floor Refinish

The **Activity Center Floor** is being refinished beginning June 17th. Please **do NOT** walk on it through June 20th. Thank you!



Euchre - is on break for the summer.
See you in September!

Arts & Crafts Camp

Kids Arts and Crafts Summer Day Camp will once again be held by Cookie Schmitzer. Camp will be July 15th-18th from 10AM-2:30PM in the Projects Room for ages 6 and up. It will consist of the following: painting (oil and acrylic), paper art, tie-dye art, and several others. Cost is \$100 for the whole week or \$30 per day per student. All supplies included—bring a sack lunch. If interested, forms are in the church of school office and should be returned with payment by July 10th. If questions, please call Cookie Schmitzer at 989-672-1007.

June Meetings

Social Concerns

Tues., June 4th at 5:30PM in the Council Room

Youth Team

Tues., June 4th at 6PM in the Youth Room

Council

Wed., June 5th at 6:30PM in the Library

Voters'

Sun., June 9th at 1:30PM in the Church

Prayer Committee

Thurs., June 13th at 6:30PM in the Chapel

Stephen Ministry

Mon., June 10th & 24th at 7PM

Elders

Wed., June 26th 7:30PM at 7:30PM

*The Millington Chamber of Commerce
is proud to announce:*

*The Nomination for
Educator of the Year Award*

Carol Weber

A brunch and awards ceremony has been planned on Sat., June 15th at 9AM at New Light Child and Family Institute, 5397 W. Millington Rd., Millington. **Friends and family are encouraged to attend**, and their breakfast cost will be \$5.00 each for all they care to eat. Breakfast will be prepared by the members of the Millington Masonic Lodge #470.

Please respond by June 7th if you would like to attend. A message can be left at 871-3948.

Congratulations, Carol!
St. Paul is truly blessed to have you here!



St. Paul Lutheran School

June 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.

This school year is quickly coming to a close. As our classes for the year end this month, we should all remember how much our heavenly Father has blessed us, and as we continue in faith to walk through the rest of our adventures as His children, wherever He may lead us. Thank you Lord, for all You have blessed us with and done for us, Your children!

We do have several special events to make you aware for this month.

June 1st **State Track Meet in Frankenmuth-** for those that qualified

June 5th **Kindergarten Graduation** at 6p.m.

Congratulations graduates!

June 6th **Field Day (FULL day)** -Survivor Challenge before lunch and field day after lunch

June 7th **Last day of class with Chapel (FULL day)** - student awards & recognitions following Chapel, band/recorder concert & rocket launch after lunch

June 9th **8th Grade Graduation-Sunday** in the 8:30 a.m. service and the Community Garden Ribbon Cutting & Celebration between services

Congratulations graduates.

July 15-18 **Family oriented VBS.** The evenings start with a free dinner from 5-7 p.m

2019-20 School Registration is OPEN all summer

Registration papers can be found on-line at the school website <http://www.stpaulmillington.org/registration.html> When you come in, please make sure you bring all pertinent papers, insurance cards, and driver's license (for iChats). Please help us get the word out about our school. If you know of someone who could be blessed by the Christ-centered education which is offered at St. Paul Lutheran School, please tell them or better yet, invite them to come with you. They will have the opportunity to meet with some of the teachers, take a tour of the school and receive information concerning enrollment.

Beginning June 11th, the school office hours will be Tuesday - Thursday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. However, please call first to make sure someone is here due to holidays and vacations. Thank you.

As a reminder, even though it is summer, the *Kroger, Meijer & Boxtops* for Education programs continue.

Our school faculty and staff would like to thank you all for your prayers and support throughout the school year. May God grant us His blessings for a safe and fun-filled summer! We will see you at church, school registration, VBS, working at Summer Festival, working in our Community Garden and around town. Until next school year, blessings on your summer!



Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. I Corinthians 10:31

Bookkeeper's Corner / Office News

The Bookkeeper's Corner

By Diane Mills, Director of Finance

There is not a lot to report during this time of the year. School is winding down as are fundraisers.

If you have attended the Voter's Assembly, you'll know we are in a deficit for calendar year 2019. However, that deficit will be quickly offset as tuition for school year 19/20 starts coming in. The school is not hosting a specific registration day as previously done. Why? We find many families delay the registration process until just before school. Families can register at any point from now until school starts just by filling out the on-line forms and giving to the school. Our tuition income, therefore, will come through in more even amounts than a huge deposit on any given day. Updates will be provided at each Voter's Assembly.

Another topic of interest is where the final numbers landed on the Sacrificial Giving campaign. The campaign is over and we have a little over \$15,000 to distribute to the three pastoral debt accounts. The funds will be sent directly to the loan institutions and not the pastors. The checks will be written the first part of June as contributions are still trickling in. However, once the checks are written, **any contributions after the fact will go directly to the general fund.**

Other questions asked is the difference between the Grantparent Fund and Student Aid. Funds received for the Grantparent fund are distributed as gifts to families through an application process; there is no obligation to pay it back. Conversely, the Student Aid fund helps families get through difficult times, but the funds are paid back into the account by the family if they are able. Last year we had about \$21,000 in Grantparent funds going into the 18/19 school year; this year we have around \$12,000 to date. Contributions are tax deductible per the current tax laws.

Church Records

The church has begun its overhaul of the database and needs your help. Each member of this congregation (and many non-members as related to the member) has a record in the church office. The records contain not only simple demographic information, but information that cannot be found anywhere else: dates such as baptism, confirmation, wedding, transfer in, transfer out, etc.

The records are stored **for your lifetime** as long as you remain a member of this congregation. Your record is the single source document the pastors use for visits, hospital calls, church directory, and most importantly – funerals.

The new electronic records database is called **Shelby Membership** and every single person in the congregation has an account that can be accessed via computer or mobile app. You just need to request access. How to request access? Please fill out a database form and return to the church office or the box in the narthex as soon as you can. The form can be found in the church office and the narthex. Even if you do not wish to access your account, we still need the form filled out.

Shelby Membership will also become our single source for the church and school all-call. **We are building brand new all-call lists and you must request placement on the lists.** If you're on the current all-call lists, you will **not** automatically be placed on the new list. You must request access via the same form as the database form. If we do not receive your request to be placed on the new all-call list, you will not receive any calls.

Questions? Please call the church office or e-mail church.office@spmill.org.

NOTICE OF OFFICE CLOSURES

The church and school offices will be closed for normal business from **July 9 through July 19, 2019.**

Each year the staff needs time to clean, reorganize, and prepare for the next school year. July seems to be the best time as the least amount of activity is occurring on the campus. Two weeks may seem like a long time, but the tasks to be accomplished are enormous: painting, outside work, office file purges, shredding, burning, organizing files, washing/waxing floors, washing windows, carpet cleaning, washing down of pews, desks and chairs...well, you get the picture. The more hands involved will shorten the workload. If you want our church and school to look beautiful and operate at peak efficiency, you need to help.

Closing the church and school does NOT mean we lock the doors and forbid anyone to come in. Worship services will still commence. The pastors are still available. The church office needs to produce weekly bulletins and scheduled meetings that cannot be deferred will be held. If you have business that cannot wait and must be handled during this time, then please come in and we'll find someone to help you. We might have to find someone on a paint ladder or outside in a garden, but we'll do our best.

We are busy compiling specific tasks lists so when you arrive you can choose a task (or two...) to accomplish. Watch for more information during the month of June!

Office Summer Hours

Beginning June 10th

Church Office

Monday through Thursday
9AM-3PM

Friday
9AM-12PM

Vacations or closures will be
announced in the bulletin.

Bookkeeping Office

Tuesdays - 10AM-3PM

School Office

Tues., Wed., Thurs.
8AM-4PM

Evening Apts. Available Call
871-4581 #4

Youth Events / LEAP / Misc.

Youth Events

All Youth (Grades 3-12)

Spark (Grades 3-5)

Games & Pizza

Sun., June 2nd from 12:30-2:30PM

Impact/Ignite (Grades 6-12)

Cookout at the Ayotte's

Fri., June 21st – 6:30PM - ??

Food, games, bon fire! Parents are invited to join the fun!



Mark Your Calendars!

Loons Game

**All Youth and their families
are invited!**

Thurs., Aug. 1st
Game starts at 7:05PM.

\$1 Family Feast Night
Enjoy hot dogs, chips, drinks, and
ice cream sandwiches for \$1 each!

It's also House Divided Night -
Wear your favorite State or U of M clothing.

Return this form with payment to the Church Office
by Fri., July 5th to reserve your Lawn Seat for \$7.00

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Tickets: _____ x \$7.00 = _____

Hats: _____ x \$5.00 = _____

Total: _____

Confirmation Pictures

We only need a few more **Confirmation composite pictures** to complete our records. If you have one of the following years, please bring to the school office so we can scan it. Looking for: 1930, 1932, 1934. Thank you!

Unclaimed Dishes and Pans

Please check the shelf outside the Parish Hall for any **missing dishes**. We have quite a collection again, and once school is out, we will clear the shelf.

LEAP News Nugget Social Media Efforts Enhanced

In an effort to promote and enhance positive use of "Facebook" as a communication tool at our area Lutheran churches and schools, an instructive, helpful *LEAP*-Shop was presented on May 1 to twenty-two persons from twelve *LEAP* schools/congregations. The *LEAP*-Shop, titled "Making Facebook Work for You," provided a stimulating, informative program led by Anthony Hessler, an alumnus of two of our *LEAP* member schools – Faith Lutheran in Bay City and Valley Lutheran High School in Saginaw. Among learnings offered through the excellent presentation were "effectively using groups versus organization pages," "targeting posts effectively," "employing a host of useful resource links," and very much more. The *LEAP*-Shop was highly informative and greatly appreciated by those in attendance.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN MICHIGAN GENERAL CALL FOR GOODS

In fewer than the first ten days of regular operations 423 boxes of humanitarian relief were assembled by Orphan Grain Train-Michigan. These include clothing, bedding, medical equipment, and hygiene and school kits. Early donations and gifts from individuals and congregations have made the opening work possible. Now is time for a general call for willingness throughout the church and community. Donations of clean serviceable clothing of all sorts (infant, children, adult) are welcomed. Medical supplies, bicycles in working condition, and blankets are also the kind of primary goods needed. A much fuller list can be found online at www.ogt.org under the "Donate" button. Donated items may be delivered to the OGT-Michigan Center Tuesdays or Thursdays (9:00 am—noon) or by special arrangement by calling 989-600-2264. The OGT-M Center is located at 126 E. Main, Sebewaing. Already volunteers are actively preparing desperately needed aid for people world-wide.

Area News

You are invited to the retirement of Mary (Bahr) Moehring Sun., June 9th at Trinity Lutheran Church, Manistee. Worship service begins at 10:30AM- dinner and short program following. Mary taught at St. Paul, Millington from 1976-1986. If unable to attend, a note can be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church, 420 Oak St., Manistee, MI 49660.

Classic Legacy Band of Saginaw 2019 Summer Concerts Thurs., June 13th at 7:30PM and Thurs., Aug. 15th at 7PM at the Roethke Park Band Shell, Saginaw. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating. In case of rain, concert will be at Peace Lutheran Church.

CAMP HOPE, A Grief Camp for Children ages 6 – 17 years old sponsored by Wellspring Lutheran Services - Hospice on August 14, 15 and 16, 2019. This 2 night, 3 day camp is FREE to children who have experienced the death of someone close to them. If you would like an application to camp please call Jane Olivier at (989) 652-4663 or visit our website at www.wellspringlutheran.com



BRING IT HOME

Reading the Great Stories of the Bible

WEEK 22-23 | READINGS 64-69

June 2-15

64. ESTHER AND THE KING—Esther 1 & 2

WEEK 22 | June 2-8

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Haman was mad, because Mordecai wouldn't bow down to him. What did Haman's anger lead him to do?
- ◆ Read Ephesians 4:26-27. What does this teach us about "anger"?

Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, keep me from the consequences of anger that goes unchecked. Teach me to love others like You love us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

65. GOD SAVES HIS PEOPLE—Esther 3-8 (This is more than usual, but important for context)

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Have you ever wanted to help someone but were afraid you would get in trouble if you tried?
- ◆ What opportunity to show God's mercy to someone else could you pray for, right now? What opportunity is God giving you to show His mercy and grace to someone?

Prayer: Lord, give us opportunity to show Your mercy and love to someone in our community, and strength to act upon it. Amen.

66. REBUILDING JERUSALEM AND THE TEMPLE—Ezra 3:8-11; 6:14-18; Nehemiah 1; 12:27-43

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Ezra and Nehemiah show the importance of professional church workers and lay leaders. How might God be calling you to serve?
- ◆ How can we band together as the Body of Christ to let God's love and forgiveness shine in our community?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, build us up as a family of believers in our local church, so we might band together and let the power of Your mercy shine to our community. In Jesus' name. Amen.

67. WHEN PROPHETS FELL SILENT—Malachi

WEEK 23 | June 9-15

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Malachi's words call us to examine how we're living. It's a call to repentance (which literally means turn 180 degrees). Where is God calling you to repent—to turn 180 degrees and go the other way?
- ◆ Jesus offers us forgiveness for our sins. Where can His power and grace help us live in a way that is repentant?

Prayer: Dear Father, lead me to repentance and faith. Guide me in Your paths, and keep my eyes fixed on Your mercy. In Jesus' name. Amen.

68. THE BIRTH OF JOHN FORETOLD—Luke 1:5-25

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Have you ever prayed and asked God to do something for you but then given up when nothing happened?
- ◆ How would John be a blessing to everyone around him? How has your family been a blessing to you and others?

Prayer: Lord, we are thankful for children and families. Keep us ever mindful of Your blessings upon our lives each and every day. Give me faith to trust in You and to believe Your promise to answer all my prayers. In Jesus' name. Amen.

69. GABRIEL VISITS MARY—Luke 1:26-38

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ When you look at a manger scene at Christmastime, what do you think about little baby Jesus?
- ◆ Try to put yourself in Mary's "shoes". How would you react to this news (remembering you're an unwed, teen)?

Prayer: Lord God, thank You for the wonderful words the angel Gabriel brought to Mary. Thank You for sending Your only Son to be her Son, who saved us from our sins. In Jesus' name. Amen.



BRING IT HOME

Reading the Great Stories of the Bible

WEEK 24-25 | READINGS 70-75

June 16-29

70. MARY VISITS ELIZABETH—Luke 1:39-56

WEEK 24 | June 16-22

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ Do you ever wish you could trade places with someone who is more popular or has more possessions than you?
- ◆ We sing these words of Mary still today. What do we call it? (Hint: It begins with an “M”)

Prayer: Lord God, thank You for choosing me to be Your child and for saving me through Your Son, Jesus Christ. Give me Your Holy Spirit that I may be filled with joy to tell others about Jesus’ great love. Amen.

71. THE BIRTH OF JOHN—Luke 1:57-80

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ John was going to prepare the way for the Lord (Jesus). How will he do that? (Hint: Look at verse 77)
- ◆ After not being able to speak for months, Zechariah sang a song. Why do you think he did that?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, thank You for send John to prepare the way of the Lord. Prepare our hearts by faith to receive our Savior and King, Jesus Christ. Amen.

72. AN ANGEL VISITS JOSEPH—Matthew 1:18-25

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What does the name “Jesus” mean? (Hint: Look at verse 21)
- ◆ Think of the worst sin you have thought, said or done. Now read about the meaning of Jesus’ name again. What does this promise mean to you? How does this give you hope today?

Prayer: Lord God, thank You for making sure Joseph was there to be a father to Jesus. Thank You for choosing me as Your own child for Jesus’ sake through baptism and faith. Help me to serve You and my neighbors well. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

73. THE BIRTH OF JESUS—Luke 2:1-21

WEEK 25 | June 23-29

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What are some things you do to celebrate Jesus’ birth at Christmas?
- ◆ What did the shepherds do after the angel told them about the birth of Jesus? Is there someone you can tell?

Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, You came into the world as a baby to save us. Thank You for this most precious gift. Help me be excited to tell the Good News to everyone I meet. Amen.

74. THE PRESENTATION OF JESUS—Luke 2:22-40

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ What do you think it would have been like to hold baby Jesus, knowing He was God’s Son?
- ◆ Luke records another song, this time of Simeon. We sometimes still sing it today after Holy Communion. Why do you think we sing it then? (Hint: Think about who we have just held and seen in Holy Communion)

Prayer: God, thank You for these two believers who got to see and hold Jesus. Give me such faith and joy all through my life. Amen.

75. THE VISIT OF THE MAGI—Matthew 2

Completed

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Optional things to talk/think about after your reading:

- ◆ The Magi (or wise men) brought gifts to Jesus. What were they?
- ◆ Myrrh was a perfume used in preparing bodies for burial. How might this be a sign of what is coming for Jesus?

Prayer: Lord God, Magi came to visit and bring you gifts. Everyday You bring us gifts of Your mercy, grace, peace, and forgiveness, and we thank You for them. Guide us through the Bible as You once guided the Magi so we can always be close to Jesus. Amen.

Memorials / Financial Info. / Daily Lectionary

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS

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|----------------------------------------------|---------|
| In Memory of David Rogers General Fund | \$25.00 |
| In Memory of Marvin Schiefer General Fund | \$50.00 |
| In Memory of Randy Forsyth Building Fund | \$25.00 |
| In Memory of Jim Zwerican General Fund | \$10.00 |



CEF Building Fund Summary

Mortgage Balance as of 04/30/19: \$558,959.13
 Debt free date if nothing changes: October 2022
 April 2019 Mortgage Payment: \$14,135.00
 * Principal \$13,047.02 * Interest \$ 1,087.98
 Amount received to pay mortgage: \$10,919.50
 Amount deducted from contingency fund: \$(3,215.50)
 Balance LEFT in contingency fund: \$11,028.19

April 2019 Income & Expense Summary

April General Fund Income: \$89,559.56
 April General Fund Expenses: \$(85,747.22)
 April Surplus: \$3,812.34
 Year to date: Deficit \$(43,304.44)
 Overall: Surplus \$10,159.56

Cash Accounts Summary

School Designated Accounts balance: \$142,138.50
 Church Designated Accounts balance**: \$65,205.14
 All Memorials balance: \$21,911.99
 General Fund Checking Balance: \$10,159.56
 **Includes Sacrificial Giving Campaign

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Daily Lectionary June 2019 | | | | | | <u>1</u> Num. 13:1-3, 17-33, Lk. 18:1-17 |
| <u>2</u> Num. 14:1-25, Lk. 18:18-34 | <u>3</u> Num. 14:26-45, Lk. 18:35-19:10 | <u>4</u> Num. 16:1-22, Lk. 19:11-28 | <u>5</u> Num. 16:23-40, Lk. 19:29-48 | <u>6</u> Num. 16:41-17:13, Lk. 20:1-18 | <u>7</u> Num. 20:1-21, Lk. 20:19-44 | <u>8</u> Num. 20:22-21:9, Lk. 20:45-21:19 |
| <u>9</u> Num. 21:10-35, Lk. 21:20-38 | <u>10</u> Num. 22:1-20, Lk. 22:1-23 | <u>11</u> Num. 22:21-23:3, Lk. 22:24-46 | <u>12</u> Num. 23:4-28, Lk. 22:47-71 | <u>13</u> Num. 24:1-25, Lk. 23:1-25 | <u>14</u> Num. 27:12-23, Lk. 23:26-56 | <u>15</u> Num. 32:1-6, 16-27, Lk. 24:1-27 |
| <u>16</u> Prov. 16:1-24, John 16:1-16 | <u>17</u> Prov. 17:1-28, John 16:17-33 | <u>18</u> Prov. 20:5-25, John 17:1-26 | <u>19</u> Prov. 22:1-21, John 18:1-14 | <u>20</u> Prov. 22:22-23:12, John 18:15-40 | <u>21</u> Prov. 24:1-22, John 19:1-22 | <u>22</u> Prov. 25:1-22, John 19:23-42 |
| <u>23</u> Prov. 27:1-24, John 20:1-18 | <u>24</u> Prov. 30:1-9, 18-33, John 20:19-31 | <u>25</u> Prov. 31:10-31, John 21:1-25 | <u>26</u> Joshua 1:1-18, Acts 8:1-25 | <u>27</u> Joshua 2:1-24, Acts 8:26-40 | <u>28</u> Joshua 3:1-17, Acts 9:1-22 | <u>29</u> Joshua 4:1-24, Acts 9:23-43 |
| <u>30</u> Joshua 5:1-6:5, Acts 10:1-17 | | | | | | |

Opportunities / Thank You / Mission News

Opportunities to Serve, Volunteer, or Donate

As part of the Jr. Youth Gathering, our youth are collecting **items for the City Rescue Mission**, Saginaw. Items needed: Ranch Dressing, 100% Juices, Canned Fruit, Baby Wipes, Hot Sauce, Socks (all sizes, but especially men's x-large), Canned Tuna, Tylenol, Cold Medicine, Rice, Ketchup, and Vegetable Oil. A box will be on the wood case in the narthex until May 30th. Please help any way that you can!

Drivers are needed to pick someone up at the Fresenius Kidney Care in Caro on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10:30AM. If you are able to help on any of those days, or just as a backup, please call Terri Jo in the school office.

We are still collecting the following for **Health Kits**: 9 toothpaste, 11 shampoo, 4 deodorant. Please bring donations by Mon., May 20th. Thank you!

For the last four years my sister and I have chaired the **fish booth** during the summer festival. This is one of PTL's largest fundraisers; however, our growing families require more of our time. We love this fundraiser and would love to see it continue, but we are no longer able to chair it. We will see it through this year since we have already committed. We ask you to think it over and consider taking it over next year, 2020. If you have an interest, please contact us and we would love to show you the ropes this year. Monica Koeltzow

Our next **Rescue Mission** date is June 8th at 10AM. Every second Saturday of the month we prepare and serve meals at the City Rescue Mission of Saginaw from 10AM-2PM. Please contact Paul Schoenknecht 871-2280 if you are willing to help. To help prepare sack lunches, please come to the St. Paul kitchen on Fri., June 7th at 1:30PM. There is also a sign-up sheet on the glass case in the narthex. Please help if you are able.



We are looking for **volunteers to paint** areas in the school and also the church hallways. True Value has donated the paint to help us with this project. Dates and times to be determined-sometime after school is out. Please call the church office if you can help. We will let you know once dates are decided.

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!

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, prayers and loving words during my sister, Roxanne's, illness and since her entry into God's Kingdom. All were greatly appreciated. -Bonnie & Dick Wiacek

Thank you to the pastors for their visits and prayers and thanks to all our family and friends for the cards and visits while I was in the hospital and recuperating at home. -Fred Trinklein

Thank you for your encouragement and support of the ministry of the Gideons International. Dave Janson and I were pleased to be able to provide some updated information on the Gideon ministry to the members of St. Paul Lutheran Church. It was a special occasion for me to "come home" to speak in my growing-up -years church, too. I was one of the confirmands in the very first Confirmation service held in the then newly dedicated church building in 1968. I still have family as members there, and St. Paul (Millington) will always hold fond memories for me.

I'd like to update you on your congregation's generous donation to the Gideons International ministry that weekend. We were blessed to receive a contribution from your members that weekend in the amount of \$600.55. Yes, 55 cents; someone, maybe some kids, must have tossed in a few coins in the door offering that weekend. Thank you so much, and please extend my and Dave's thanks to your congregation members for their generous offering to the Gideons to support the purchase and placement of New Testaments and Bibles worldwide.

In terms of Scripture equivalents, \$600.55 comes out to be 509 of the small Testaments at an average cost of \$1.18 apiece today, or 120 full Bibles at \$5.00 each. Another way to visualize the Testament count, perhaps, is to reflect on what that might mean in terms of Testaments that can be distributed, say, at a county fair somewhere in Michigan. Last summer, I had the good fortune to participate in two county fair Scripture distribution events - at the Midland County Fair, and at the Ogemaw County Fair. As things turned out, essentially the same number of those small Testaments were handed out at each of those two county fairs - just a little over 1,000 copies. So, St. Paul's recent Gideon offering can be viewed as sponsoring the cost of about half of the Scriptures that may be passed along, mostly to kids, at a large county fair. Praise the Lord!

Or, thinking about things perhaps in a little different manner, and remembering that the full Bibles that are placed in hotel rooms have the potential to reach 2,300 people over the course of their average six-year lifetime in a hotel room, St. Paul's contribution to the Gideon ministry the weekend of April 27 & 28 can also be visualized as 276,000 potential souls touched by the generosity of your congregation's giving from just that one weekend. Praise the Lord, again!

Thank you, again, and God's blessings to each of you today and always, and keep on keeping on doing the Kingdom work in the greater Millington area.

-- Steven E. Keinath, President, Midland Gideon Camp

| ~ June 2019 ~ | | | | | | | July ▶ |
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| ◀ May | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | Pastor Martinal — Out of Area and Unavailable through June 2nd | | | |
| | | | | | | Ignite Jr Youth Gathering — Frankmunth through June 2nd | |
| | | | | | | | Parish Hall Rental 8a Men's Bible Study 7p Worship |
| 2 | 8:30a Worship + C 9:45a Bible Study 11a Worship 12:30p Spark Game Day | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| | | 1p Blood Drive | 5:30p Social Concerns 6p Youth Team 7:30p AA | 6p Kindergarten Graduation 6:30p Council | 6:15p Praise Team | 1:30p City Rescue Prep | 9a Scrapbooking 10a City Rescue Mission 12p Pavilion Rental 7p Worship + C |
| 9 | 8:30a Worship — 8 th Grade Graduation 9:45a Bible Study 9:45a Community Garden Celebration 11a Worship+C—Church Choir 12p Pavilion Rental 1:30p Voter's Meeting | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| | | 7p Stephen Ministry | 7:30p AA | | 9a Dorcas LWIM Bus Trip to Detroit 6:15p Praise Team 6:30p Prayer Committee | Parish Hall Rental | Parish Hall Rental 7p Worship |
| 16 | SUMMER SCHEDULE 9a Bible Study 10a Contemporary Worship + C 11a Parish Hall Rental | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | | | | | Activity Center Floor Refinished — Do Not Walk on Floor | | |
| | | | 7:30p AA | | 6:15p Praise Team | 6:30p Impact/Ignite Cookout at Ayotte's | 7p Worship + C |
| 23 | | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| | | | | | Activity Center Floor Refinished — Do Not Walk on Floor | | |
| 9a Bible Study 10a Contemp Worship 11a Parish Hall Rental | 7p Stephen Ministry | 7:30p AA | 7:30p Elders | 6p Wedding Rehearsal 6:15p Praise Team | 3p Wedding | 11a Youth Room Rental 7p Worship - Matins | |
| 30 | 9a Bible Study 10a Worship - Matins 1p Ignite vs Elders — Putt Putt Golf | Notes: | | | | | |

Acolytes, Screen Techs, Greeters, Ushers, Sextons

June

| Acolytes | 1/2 | 8/9 | 15/16 | 22/23 | 29/30 |
|-------------|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 7PM | Kailee Fackler | Carly Trinklein | Kailee Fackler | Carly Trinklein | Sawyer Keinath |
| 8:30AM | Hoards | Ryan Keinath | 10AM Peyton Schmandt | 10AM Rodammers | 10AM Tyler Rude |
| 11AM | Tyler Rude | Luke Petzold | | | |
| Screen Tech | | | | | |
| 7PM | Weston Reinig | | Kailee Fackler | Mason Lugg | |
| 8:30AM | Ryan Keinath | Singers | 10AM Julie Keinath | 10AM Hannah Woolwine | 10AM Hunter Ayotte |
| 11AM | Carly Trinklein | | | | |
| 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 – Dwight Keinath
 Assistant – Michael Albert
 Ken Auernhammer
 Colin Meacham
 Daniel Meacham
 Lester Miller
 Jeremy Petzold
 Luke Platt
 Matt Singer
 Eugene Weiss
 Bud Zeck
 Mike Ziegler

Ushers

11AM Service
 Captain – Richard Harpst
 Assistant – Mark Rude
 Mike Hoard
 Heath Keinath
 John Petzold
 Michael Rader
 Jay Rodammer
 Hans Schmandt

Ushers

7:30PM Service
 Captain – Jim Jaruzel
 Sheila Haynes

Church Sextons

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

Communion Set-Up

7PM - Amy Yorke
 8:30AM -
 11AM -
 Summer - 10AM - Angie Zeck

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

June Birthdays

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|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| Dale Roth | 06/01 | Christina Bassett | 06/11 | Levi Keinath | 06/20 |
| Derrick Lugg | 06/01 | Darryl McLaren | 06/11 | Tricia Langley | 06/20 |
| Dwight White | 06/01 | Parker Rodammer | 06/11 | Andrew Wittenhagen | 06/21 |
| London Arnett | 06/01 | Ryan Steepe | 06/11 | Chad Fackler | 06/21 |
| Terry Peters | 06/01 | Alyxandra Carlyon | 06/12 | John Meinecke | 06/21 |
| Wayne Jaruzel | 06/01 | Ayla Farnsworth | 06/12 | Pam Schultz | 06/21 |
| Katie Watts | 06/02 | Betty Valentine | 06/12 | Brian Rodammer | 06/22 |
| Marcia Keinath | 06/02 | Cindy Petzold | 06/12 | Dale Peche | 06/22 |
| Mitchel ILL | 06/02 | Colleen Woelke | 06/12 | Edward Meeks | 06/22 |
| Carole Titsworth | 06/04 | Gerry Smith Sr | 06/12 | Linda Dues | 06/22 |
| Delilah Sabgash | 06/04 | Lillie Flach | 06/12 | Florence Hohman | 06/23 |
| Jason Keinath | 06/04 | Marc Keinath | 06/12 | Shelli Lugg | 06/23 |
| Kelley McComb | 06/04 | Rod Wilson | 06/12 | Wally Prusi | 06/23 |
| Carl Simmons | 06/05 | Shelly Ide | 06/12 | Colton Keinath | 06/24 |
| Jack Petzold | 06/05 | Crystal Raymond | 06/13 | Edward Schmidt | 06/24 |
| Jake Petzold | 06/05 | Kaitlyn ILL | 06/13 | Jasmine Brandle | 06/24 |
| Jordan Tyree | 06/05 | Kyle Beagle | 06/13 | Kristen Keinath | 06/24 |
| Lisa Rodammer | 06/05 | Lisa Beagle | 06/13 | Lillia Sherman | 06/24 |
| Peter Shollack | 06/05 | Rick Sherman | 06/13 | Paul Horning | 06/24 |
| Trenton Reinertson | 06/05 | Sheri Webster | 06/13 | Ronald Coleman | 06/24 |
| Bob O'Neil | 06/06 | Charlene Kinney | 06/14 | Amber Marks | 06/25 |
| Heath Holmes | 06/06 | Darlene Dale | 06/14 | Dustin List | 06/25 |
| Janice McKee | 06/06 | Gary Hecht | 06/14 | Emily Bailey | 06/25 |
| Kelly Nelson | 06/06 | Jakob Selich | 06/14 | Richard Saeger | 06/25 |
| Marian Reinert | 06/06 | James Simmons | 06/14 | Jennifer Stewart | 06/26 |
| Ryker Cunningham | 06/06 | Jason Gross | 06/14 | Michael O'Hearn | 06/26 |
| Ryland Cunningham | 06/06 | Laura Gleim | 06/14 | Sandra Fackler | 06/26 |
| Angela Albrecht | 06/07 | Melissa Galloway | 06/14 | Hudson Stewart | 06/27 |
| Danial Woolwine | 06/07 | Micah Denome | 06/14 | Kathryn Hayden | 06/27 |
| Joshua Cunningham | 06/07 | Charles Sischo | 06/15 | Meagan Rodammer | 06/27 |
| Laverne Pashby | 06/07 | Gwyn Keinath | 06/15 | Misty Campbell | 06/27 |
| Rachel Foley | 06/07 | Kathy White | 06/15 | Tim Walter | 06/27 |
| Victor Reinert | 06/07 | Lloyd Taylor | 06/15 | Avery Mills | 06/28 |
| Cassandra Matthews | 06/08 | Amanda Fultz | 06/16 | Emily Loomis | 06/28 |
| Jennifer Witmer | 06/08 | Ashlee Keinath | 06/16 | Gregory Hoard | 06/28 |
| McKenna Slough | 06/08 | Carrie McClenathen | 06/16 | Kelly Keipinger | 06/28 |
| Robert Irving | 06/08 | Dale Torrey | 06/16 | Valerie Peche | 06/28 |
| Shelby Albrecht | 06/08 | Tamara Ley | 06/16 | Benjamin Hayden | 06/29 |
| Shelby Mann | 06/08 | Estee Heike | 06/17 | Ryan Woolwine | 06/29 |
| Sue Howay | 06/08 | Heather Hayden | 06/17 | Trevor Sherman | 06/29 |
| Kara Keinath | 06/09 | Bonnie Gross | 06/18 | Blake Burns | 06/30 |
| Nathan Selich | 06/09 | Nadine Fealko | 06/18 | Brooke Milostan | 06/30 |
| Timothy David | 06/09 | Pamela Bush | 06/18 | Cheryl Dormire | 06/30 |
| Andre Stratton | 06/10 | Dustin Sebert | 06/19 | Collin Milostan | 06/30 |
| Beth Skouson | 06/10 | Jennifer Hahn | 06/19 | Gregory Sayles | 06/30 |
| Ella List | 06/10 | Jodi Henderson | 06/19 | Jackie Hecht | 06/30 |
| Gary Shreve | 06/10 | Matthew Roth | 06/19 | Robin Johnston | 06/30 |
| Jamie Morningstar | 06/10 | Angelina Knapp | 06/20 | Shannon Blue | 06/30 |
| Janine McMahon | 06/10 | Ashley Lichnovsky | 06/20 | | |
| Jenna Meacham | 06/10 | Becky Wolfington | 06/20 | | |
| Jeremy P. Petzold | 06/10 | Jacob Schoenkecht | 06/20 | | |
| John Huber | 06/10 | Jeanette Allard | 06/20 | | |
| Chad Ruppel | 06/11 | Joseph Conrad | 06/20 | | |





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That means we have 1,440 daily opportunities
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