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St. Paul Lutheran Church News & Views

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May 2024

Readers for May:

- May 5th - George Matthys
- May 12th - Steve Morgan
- May 19th - Kathy Paulsen
- May 26th - Sharon Naivar



Mission Of The Month

& Faith Comes By Hearing® (Military Sticks)

St. Paul Lutheran Church has partnered with Faith Comes by Hearing since 2012 to help people hear God's word in all branches of the military & beyond to the ends of the earth.



Church Financial Summary

Monthly Budget
Monthly Contributions

April
\$23,778
\$15,978

Annual/Cumulative
\$95,112
\$119,489

Monthly Contributions does not include funds received for dedicated purposes, only those funds received for budgeted operations.



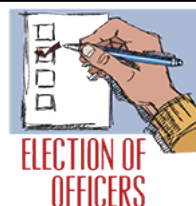
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Celebrating her 95th birthday last month, we wish a Happy Birthday to Gloria Bartosh!



Donations in Action!

Continuing our support for the mission of Shepherd's Heart!



To be held immediately after service May 5th.

St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center



Here we are at the end of another school year.....and we are already trying to build our classes for the 2024 – 25 school year. Seeking Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 students. Working on the Summer schedule that will include 4 themed “camps”. Each camp will be 2 weeks of field trips, activities and curriculum based on the theme of that camp.

Reservation letters for enrollment in the Pre-K 3 & Pre-K 4 classes went out on Friday, March 28 for the 2024-25 School year. If you know of anyone that is interested in attending our Pre K3 or Pre K4 classes and has a child that will be 3 years old or 4 years old by August 31, 2024, please have them contact Rita Kelm at 512-352-2773.

May 12th is the time we celebrate all mothers. We have found at the CDC that mothers are not always the person that gave birth to the child. They are grandparents, foster parents, and even childcare workers. We ask your prayers for all of those that give the unconditional love and nurturing that a child needs. If you are fortunate enough to still have the mother in your life, please let them know how important they are to you.

Our Pre-K 4 Class Graduation will be on Thursday, May 18 @ 6:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Family and friends will be invited to join the celebration. There will be a meal served to our honoree's and their guests following the ceremony.

The Pre-K3 class will have a picnic and fun day to celebrate the end of the school year at a later date.

The last day of school will be May 24th and the summer fun will begin.

The CDC will be closed on Monday, May 27 in observation of Memorial Day.

We thank God for all the blessings He has given us & thank you for the continued prayers for the CDC and ask that you keep us in your prayers.

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Church Statistics for May

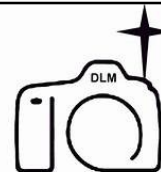
Sunday Worship
Average Attendance
78

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Please remember that the deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 20th of each month by 5:00 pm.



St. Paul Church takes pictures and videos which will be posted on our social media, web pages and printed material.

Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church Family,

Payton Burow, Jacob and Benjamin Gregory, Sunny Paulson, Nolan Schiller, Hayden Wenzel, and Maddie Wilson will be confirmed on May 19. These Confirmands will now assume their adult responsibilities in serving their Lord Jesus in our church and community. We celebrate the successful completion of their Biblical and catechetical instruction and their confessions of faith. We also celebrate Landon Schiller as he graduates from Taylor High School. We look forward to his studies at TSTC for an associates degree in HVAC engineering.

Please join us for our Mother's Day worship service on May 12, where we will celebrate our Mothers with flowers and special recognition. There will be no Brunch on that Sunday, so you can take Mom out for lunch.

Several items will be addressed during the month of May regarding improvements to our property. First, the large hole in the main duct work for our heating and air conditioning system will be repaired by Airco. This will improve the air flow throughout the sanctuary. This duct is located under the Sanctuary and has simply failed due to rust and age. With your approval of our proposed repairs to the foundation of the Altar Guild room and mechanical room, these repairs will be commencing as arrangements are scheduled with the Olshan Corporation.

Our youth group will be having an outing during May. Please watch your emails and Sunday bulletin for additional information.

Our Seniors will be having an outing on Monday, May 20. You are invited to tour the Brenham Heritage Museum, explore the Brenham Historical District, have lunch at Nathan's BBQ, and end up with ice cream at the Blue Bell Creameries. We will leave from the St. Paul House Parking Lot at 9:00 AM and return before 4:00 PM. Please contact the Church Office or Pastor George to reserve your spot for our May 20 outing. Invite your friends to join us.

Our Texas District Gathering will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Kerrville on July 26-27. The theme for this year's gathering is: *Love Works – Luke 10:27*. Keynote speakers are Greg and Susan Finke, authors of *Joining Jesus* book series. Cost \$75.00 thorough 6/30 - \$100 after. Under 21 – 50 % off. Come join Elaine and me for this Texas District Gathering. More information at: lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering.

During the summer, we will continue to worship in the Sanctuary, with Brunch served in Fellowship Hall. I be leading a summer class following our brunch beginning on Sunday June 2 at 11:15 AM. Bring your brunch goodies and join me in the Conference Room.

As we plan for summer vacations, tours, trips, and getaways, remember to keep church worship in your travel plans. Pick up a Sunday Bulletin from the churches you visit, and I will post them on our Narthex bulletin board. The individual with the farthest summer trip bulletin from Taylor will receive a free Starbucks beverage. Jason, Elaine, and I wish you all a safe and wonderful summer travel season.

Blessings,

Pastor George



Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth



We Are Family

See what great love the Father has given us that we should be called God's children—and we are!— 1John 3:1

I have recently been thinking about how rich the image of family is as a metaphor for the church. Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ is an association of congregations and “family” is a great word to describe who we are together and how we relate to one another. We have unity in a common confession of faith and a mission to make new disciples of Jesus in the world. Yet we also celebrate our freedom in Christ that leads to diverse expressions of worship and ministry as each family member lives out their faith differently as each is uniquely called and positioned in the Kingdom of God.

As family we connect, communicate, care for one another, forgive one another, share in each other's joys and sorrows, help one another in times of need, hold one another accountable, offer and receive advice and counsel and respect that each family member is ultimately responsible for themselves and their own decisions. Not only is this a good and helpful understanding for our association, but also for the individual members of a local congregation. The brothers and sisters of Christ gathered in a local church are called into a family relationship. When we are attentive to our church family and live into these relationships well, not only are we blessed by the relationship, but we bear witness to God's love to the world, too!

All too often the world sees Christians and the church as unkind, unwelcoming, judgmental, and primarily interested in controlling behaviors according to what the world sees as an antiquated moral code. Unfortunately, some of this reputation is warranted. We probably all are familiar with people and churches that reflect this reality. Yet God's desire for the church is to be the family of God and to lovingly relate to one another in ways that reflect the heart of Christ. If Christians do not love one another, forgive one another, enjoy one another or care for one another, then what does that say about us to the world?

God calls us to be family. We are united in our identity as children of God and co-heirs with Christ. In God's Spirit we are to love one another as Christ loves us, truly caring for one another. As you greet one another, meet with one another, worship and serve with one another, remember that we are family. It will change the way you see and relate to the people you attend church with. And the world will take notice, too. To quote an unbeliever's observation of the early church: “Behold! How they love one another.”

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at www.harvestworkers.net). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Feel free to contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 ext. 2 or bryce@lcmctexas.org.

May 2024

St. Paul Lutheran Church, LCMC†

Sunday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
28	9:00am Handbell Practice 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	29	8:00am Church Office - Open 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	30	8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study	2	8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg 9:30am Ruth Circle	4	Pastor's Day Off 4:00pm Greg Artieschoufsky
5	10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM 5:00pm Taylor 4H - EOY and Officer Election (Fellowship Hall)	6	Pastor Out of Office - Unavailable 8:00am Church Office - Close Today 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	7	Pastor Out of Office - Unavailable 8:00am Church Office - Close Today	9	Pastor Out of Office - Unavailable 8:00am Church Office - Close Today	11	Pastor's Day Off
12	9:00am Handbell Practice 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary (Mother's Day) 11:00am Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	13	8:00am Church Office - Close Today 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	14	8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study 7:00pm Scout Committee Mtg - FH Conf Rm	16	8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg 6:30pm Pre-K Graduation - Fellowship Hall	18	Pastor's Day Off
19	10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary (Confirmation) 11:00am Confirmation/HS Graduation Brunch 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	20	Newsletter Articles Due 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:00am Senior Outing to Brenham - leaves at 9am 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	21	8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study 7:00pm Council Meeting - St. Paul House	23	8:00am Church Office - Open	25	Pastor's Day Off
26	9:00am Handbell Practice 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	27	8:00am Church Office - Open 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	28	8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study	30	8:00am Church Office - Open	1	Pastor's Day Off
				29	8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study	31	Church Office Closed		

We Remember in Prayer

If someone needs to be removed from the prayer list please call the church office

Our Members:

Inez Sladek, Larry Safarik, Elaine Oser, Dorothy Grimm, Brunner Grau, John Harper, Kenneth George, Kent Safarik, Pr. Michael Domenech.

Our Shut Ins:

Grace Bulgerin, Lydia Dowling, Mary Miller, Lorene Prinz, Geraldine Steger, Joanne Rummel, Lomis Weber, Carol Lantzsch, Lisa Cox, Geraldine Cox, Carolyn Jacobson, Ella Kuhl.

Our family, friends, and loved ones:

Ryan Richey, Randell Duelm, Karter Sladek, Alma Russell, Rachel Maloy, Tori Harris and baby, Andrea Carrizales, Melissa Balderas, Mary Perez, Iris Rangel and family, Kelly Clines Thompson, Rob Randig, Laurie Kirven, Gayla Lantzsch, Fred Bittner, Tommy Harrison, Rhonda Aikey, Walter Moldenhauer, Tanuya Ellard, Sandra Milburn, Ben McCuk, Adam Eubank, Jessica Hall, Brandi Oliver.

Assisted Living/Nursing Home:

SPJST Assisted Living:

**Geraldine Cox
Grace Bulgerin
Carol Lantzsch
Lydia Dowling**

Taylor SPJST Nursing Home:

**Geraldine Steger
Mary Miller**

The Monarch:

Joanne Rummel

Will-O-Bell (Barlett):

Ella Kuhl

Brookdale Assisted Living:

Carolyn Jacobson

Trinity Care Center (Round Rock):

Lorene Prinz

80th Birthdays & Above

Janet Brinkmeyer	5/20/29	95 Yrs
Shirley Evans	5/31/35	89 Yrs
Albert Hesemeyer	5/3/36	88 Yrs
Dennis Richter	5/15/38	86 Yrs
Jeanie Schneider	5/20/38	86 Yrs
Wandeen Sakewitz	5/22/39	85 Yrs
Elaine Oser	5/5/43	81 Yrs



25th Anniversary:
None

30th Anniversary :
None

40th Anniversary:
None

50th Anniversaries & Above
None

Daily Bible Reading Guide

- 1 - 1 Corinthians 11
- 2 - 1 Corinthians 12
- 3 - 1 Corinthians 13-14
- 4 - 1 Corinthians 15-16
- 5- Psalms 51-53
- 6 - 2 Corinthians 1
- 7 - 2 Corinthians 2
- 8 - 2 Corinthians 3
- 9 - 2 Corinthians 4
- 10 - 2 Corinthians 5
- 11 - 2 Corinthians 6-7

- May
- 12 - Psalm 54-56
- 13 - 2 Corinthians 8
- 14 - 2 Corinthians 9
- 15 - 2 Corinthians 10
- 16 - 2 Corinthians 11
- 17 - 2 Corinthians 12
- 18 - 2 Corinthians 13
- 19 - Psalm 57-59
- 20 - Galatians 1

- 21 - Galatians 2
- 22 - Galatians 3
- 23 - Galatians 4
- 24 - Galatians 5
- 25 - Galatians 6
- 26 - Psalm 60-62
- 27 - Ephesians 1
- 28 - Ephesians 2
- 29 - Ephesians 3
- 30 - Ephesians 4
- 31 - Ephesians 5

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*Please know: A limited number of surveys are available in your region. If the limit has been reached, the survey will be closed.



Mark Your Calendars:
St. John Lutheran Church of 409 S. Main St. in Thrall, TX invites you to join them in welcoming Dave Anderson and Roger Walck on May 19, 2024.

Dave and Roger will be presenting a concert of contemporary praise music and gospel songs and hymns. Come prepared to sing along! This would be a great event to invite a neighbor, friend or family member to join you for this concert!

There will be a potluck meal provided for all by the congregation at 5:00 p.m. with the concert at 6:00 p.m.

A Free-will offering will be received to support Dave and Roger and the ministry of Shepherd's Canyon Retreat in Arizona.