

***The Mission and Ministry Statement for St. Paul's:*** We, the members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, in gratitude to The Triune God for His love for us in Jesus Christ, dedicate ourselves as individuals and as a congregation to learning, teaching and sharing God's Word, caring for others, and living in God's grace through Word and Sacrament.

***To our visitors:*** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we welcome you to our church with God's richest blessings. We invite you to make St. Paul's your new church home. If you are interested in church membership, or have questions, please contact Pastor Burns.

***Children and the Divine Service:*** Thank you for bringing your children with you to church. The Scriptures tenderly tell of Jesus' love for little children. Jesus wants your children in His Company, to hear His Word and receive His gifts given to all in the Divine Liturgy. If you feel your child would benefit by leaving the worship service for a short period of time, you are welcome to use the Narthex. There is a speaker and chairs so you may continue to hear and participate in the worship service. If you need any assistance, please let us know how we can help.

***The Holy Communion:*** The Lord's Supper reflects our unity of faith and doctrine. Therefore, we assume that all those attending Holy Communion with us are members of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. In love and concern, we ask that all others speak with the pastor before communing.

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Office Hours: 9:00a-1:00p Mon.-Thur.

**5th Sunday after Easter**  
**May 2, 2021**



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OSSEO, MINNESOTA

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***As We Gather:*** Please be respectful of those who are in the pews preparing their hearts and minds for worship.

***As you prepare for worship, you may pray the following prayer:***  
O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter; as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

**John 15:2** – “Every branch of mine that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.” God is interested in the fruit that we bear in good works, and He even prunes us so that we may bring forth more fruit. Trusting in our Lord’s work for us, we are grafted by grace into His vine. We desire to be more like Him and grow into His image. That’s growth in fruit bearing, and it always comes with some pruning.

### ***Jesus Christ Is the True Vine Who Bears Much Fruit in Us***

“*God is love,*” and He has manifested Himself to us by sending “*his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him*” (1 John 4:9, 16). By the ministry of the Gospel, “*he has given us of his Spirit,*” so that we also believe and confess “*that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh.*” In this way, we “*abide in him and he in us,*” and we “*love one another*” (1 John 4:2, 7, 13). Such divine love is exemplified in Philip’s preaching of “*the good news about Jesus*” to the Ethiopian eunuch. And when “*they came to some water,*” the eunuch was baptized into the very Gospel that Philip had preached (Acts 8:35–38). That Ethiopian was thereby grafted into “*the true vine,*” Jesus Christ (John 15:1), just as we are. Already we are clean because of the Word that Christ has spoken to us and by the washing of water with His Word. We now abide in Him by faith in His forgiveness. As He abides in us, both body and soul, with His own body and His blood, He “*bears much fruit*” in us (John 15:3–5).

**Those serving May 2 9:00a**

**Elder** Steve Gamache  
**Usher** Elijah Slack  
**Media** David Glauvitz, David Gamache  
& Jacob Andersen

**Those serving May 9 9:00a**

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**Usher** Elijah Slack  
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**Attendance and Offering**

4th Sunday of Easter	53
General Offering	\$1,610
General Offering Weekly Budget	\$5,000
Online Contributions for March 2021	\$2,585.49

Funds for Steel Roof Update



**Eagle Scout Project for St. Paul's**

Elijah Slack is starting Fire Pit work in May. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex if you want to help with this project. He will be working Saturdays and Sundays through May. Be sure to check out the progress.

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort-** Mike Tevik (brother of Cindy Scheevel) Vicki Johnson (sister of Judy Saldana) Lawrence Mendez (father of Sherry Glauvitz), Jane Tobias, Jim and Vince Feuerstein (brothers of Judy Opsal), Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), Debbie Hanna, Judy Erickson, Doug Steere, and Melissa Lee. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform Pastor Burns.

**Our homebound members** are Clarice O'Gary, Jean Henderson, Vi Anderson, Rose Ebert, Terry Benson, Melissa Lee, Mae House, Doug Steere and Bertha Hannu (mother of Barb Gamache).

**All those serving in our Armed Forces.**

**This Week:** The Congregations in our circuit are praying for Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, IN) and Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, MO).

**For those serving in the mission field:** Elliot and Serena Derricks, Johanna Heidorn and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.

**Beginning next sunday** we will be presenting our offering to the Lord during the service. Please place your offering and gifts in the offering plate as you enter the sanctuary.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sun. May 2     **5th Sunday of Easter**  
Communion 9:00a  
Virtual Sunday School  
**Mite Box Sunday**

We are now **live streaming** the service on **youtube.com** and following the service posting it to our Facebook page and the sermon page on our church website.

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Wed. May 5     LWML Meeting 1:00p at Mary Patrice

Thur. May 6     Circuit Meeting at St. Paul's 9:30a

Fri. May 7     Family Day for Staff

Sun. May 9     **6th Sunday of Easter**  
Mother's Day  
Worship 9:00a  
Virtual Sunday School

Laugh Break- Don't miss this Saturday's exhibit by Christian Martian Arts.



We are looking for volunteers to join Bruce in mowing the lawn at church this spring/summer. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Please put your name on the weeks you are available to mow. We are needing volunteers for the cemetery mowing too.