

St. Paul's Epistle

Monthly Newsletter

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June/July 2023

These were those listed by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who listed the people of Israel in the plains of Moab by the Jordan at Jericho (Numbers 26:63).

Greetings to you, in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Let's reword this passage from Numbers to fit our congregation today. *These were those listed by Pastor Burns and Sherry the secretary, who listed the people of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church in Osseo, MN by the plains of Maple Grove and Brooklyn Park.*

We have been in quite a task of updating our Church records. And many of you have done so, and we thank you for helping us in this tremendous task. If you haven't yet, please do so soon, for we will be having a special event happening on Monday, June 12th.

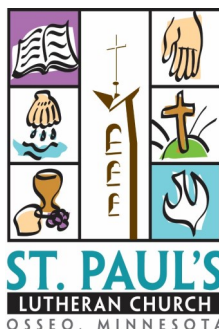
As I mentioned last month:

Saint Paul's membership software now allows us to send out group emails and text messages (AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE CONGREGATION).

Our membership software just received an update that allows for voice messages as well, but those voice messages will be an additional cost to us. So, we would like to utilize email and text messages first, then send a voice message. This would allow us to better serve you and inform you of upcoming happenings at Saint Paul's and allow us to be better stewards of our finances.

On June 12th we will be sending out an email to invite you to opt-in to receiving text messages. Now, I need to point out that we can't send anyone a text message, unless they are opted in for it. This email will give you that opportunity to do so. It will be from the following email address: automail@360members.com

Here is how it will look:



Hello,

Daniel R. Burns from St. Paul's Lutheran Church has invited you to sign up for text^{*} notifications about important church information. What does this mean? Daniel R. Burns doesn't want you to miss out on anything from St. Paul's Lutheran Church. They want to make sure they can send you quick text updates using their church software, Church360°, so you can get notified without having to check your email.

Now, in order to do this, you must confirm that you would like to opt-in to these text messages or else they cannot send you these important messages via text. If you'd like to opt-in to the program click here: [Sign me up](#) or use the button below.

[Sign me up](#)

Have a great day!

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Once you click on the “Sign me up” button, you will be directed to a screen that will have you enter in your cellphone number. Then you will receive a text to confirm. This will then give us permission to send you text messages in the future. What a great way for us to inform you about special events at Saint Paul's.

So, if you haven't done it yet, please fill out the *Church Record Update* form. Fill it out for each member of your family. There is a copy of it in this Newsletter (not lime green though). If you have email, please email the information to Sherry (office@stpaulsosseo.org) ASAP. This will cause great rejoicing in the Church Office.

May God pour out His Blessings upon you and your family, upon our community and our congregation. I look forward to seeing all of you in worship. And remember that just as we are working on having up-to-date records, we are also striving to having 2 services again in the Fall. You can help with that as well. Make sure that you and your family are in worship and be inviting others to come to worship (family we haven't seen in a while, friends and everyone else). I am looking forward to the possibility of 2 services again in the Fall.

In Christ,

Pastor Burns

Romans 1:16

Remember in your prayers:

Members who are sick and in need of healing

and comfort Barb Gamache, Clarice O'Gary, Bruce Hecksel, Chad Hanson, Dan Wolinski (friend of Jason Voss), Pauline Williamson (friend of Shirley Scheuble), Jim Feuerstein (brother of Judy Opsal), Ada Fields (sister-in-law of Shirley Scheuble), Lawrence & Joanne Mendez (parents of Sherry Glauvitz) 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 Alice Leitzke, Gladys Goerke, Irma Schmid, Clarice O'Gary, Jean Henderson, Rose Ebert, Melissa Lee, and Bertha Hannu (mother of Barb Gamache).

Our Troops who are serving abroad and here in the United States. For their safety and for those they are fighting for and against.

For the families of those who have lost their lives or were injured in the fight for freedom.

For persecuted Christians everywhere.

For those serving in the mission field

Lutheran Bible Translators, Johanna Heidorn and Rev. Dr. Daniel Jastram.

For peace and reconciliation world wide.

For our nation, President Biden and the leadership of the United States.

For our state, Governor Walz and the leadership of the state of Minnesota.

Summer



Summer services every Sunday
at 9:00a.

WORSHIP
TIME 9:00a

Staff: Pastor: Daniel Burns XXX.XXX.XXXX
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Those Serving June/July 2023

Elders

June 4&11	9:00a	Chris Higgins
June 18	9:00a	Jason Voss
June 25	9:00a	Adam Schmidt
July 2	9:00a	Adam Schmidt
July 9,16,23	9:00a	Jason Voss
July 30	9:00a	Adam Schmidt

Ushers

June 4	9:00a	Phil & Shirley Everson
June 11,18	9:00a	TBD
June 25	9:00a	Phil & Shirley Everson
July	9:00a	Darren & Elijah Slack

Media

June / July	David Gamache David Glauvitz Jacob Andersen Sherry Glauvitz Ethan Burns
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Congratulations to our Graduates

Zach Burns

Kyle Glauvitz

Austin Kolden

Max Olson

Jack Schue

Grace Voss

Church Council and Congregational Meeting minutes are available in print or digital copies can be sent. Just call the office for a copy.

Looking for volunteers!

Here is St. Paul's list of volunteer needs: Vice President, Trustee board, Youth Board, VBS Volunteers, Sunday morning offering counters, Lawn care team, coffee fellowship, live-streaming.



JUNE

Birthdays & Anniversaries



JULY

Birthdays & Anniversaries

6/01	Michelle Flakne	6/15	Marsha McKibbin
6/01	Earl Slack	6/16	Kristin Gamrath
6/02	Mitchell Olson	6/16	Alex Geissler
6/02	Paula Schmidt	6/16	Pablo Valadez
6/03	Abigael Bernier	6/19	Cody Opsal
6/03	Zelda Torgerson	6/21	Gladys Goerke
6/05	Jenna Deardoff	6/21	Zach Heiling
6/05	Amber Newton	6/21	Steve Hoppenrath
6/05	Aiden Saelee	6/21	Bruce Krieg
6/05	Irma Schmid	6/21	Michelle Perusse
6/06	Donna Schwartz	6/21	Leah Pitts
6/07	Derek Schmid	6/22	Brian Hines
6/08	Elise Kosloski	6/23	Char Lieder
6/09	Ian Deardoff	6/24	Logan Jones
6/10	Rose Ebert	6/26	Sonia Kaaria
6/12	Gretchen Johnston	6/28	Becky Cox
6/13	Judy Saldana	6/28	Barb Gamache
6/14	Marlys Beier	6/29	Tiffany Peterson
6/15	Janelle Loven	6/30	Jeff Aalbers

Jack and Kaylee Ewing	June 4	1 year
Joel and Amy Tombisammy	June 6	8 years
Richard and Barb Behm	June 8	55 years
Darren and Perry Slack	June 9	11 years
Derek and Jennifer Schmid	June 13	14 years
Bob and Bev Trafton	June 13	59 years
Ryan and Donna Schwartz	June 14	9 years
Doug and Marlys Beier	June 19	47 years
Alek and Arja Glauvitz	June 24	2 years
Treavor and Traci Braiedy	June 26	24 years
Chris and Lucia Higgins	June 26	19 years
Troy and Carrie Braiedy	June 28	34 years

7/01	Tyler Hanson	7/15	Kim Healy
7/01	Trenton Vassar	7/15	Carol Steere
7/03	Laurie Gamache	7/16	Angela Vasseur
7/03	Sandy Slack	7/17	Missy Lee
7/04	Stephanie Nelson	7/17	Jean Zoll
7/04	Roger Zeman	7/19	Andrew Vassar
7/05	Kraig Kruizenga	7/20	Sofia Westgaard
7/06	Kacen Johnston	7/22	Diana Lahd
7/06	Jason Voss	7/23	Olivia Groenke
7/07	Ellen Dawson	7/23	Georgie Kiffmeyer
7/07	Ruth Voss	7/24	Sherry Glauvitz
7/09	Chris Hoppenrath	7/25	Jennifer Groenke
7/09	Melanie Tuttle	7/25	Jesse Haslach
7/10	Breanna Higbee	7/26	Elaine Dolieslager
7/10	Elijah Ibraheem	7/28	Eleanor Butler
7/11	Cyndie Zeman	7/28	Tom Hall
7/12	Steve Gamache	7/29	Breanna Hanson
7/13	Aaron Collins	7/30	Janice Emerick

Justen and Mindy Jones	July 2	12 years
Chris and Meagan Erickson	July 5	15 years
Ray and Sally Roberts	July 7	16 years
Adam and Tiffany Peterson	July 10	13 years
Bill and Marsha McKibbin	July 29	34 years

Let the office know if we have missed your birthday or Anniversary.

Mite Box Sundays: June 5 and July 2, 2023

Mite donations can be mailed to Sandy Slack, 11430 98th Ave N, Maple Grove, MN 55369. Checks should be written out to “St. Paul’s LWML.” Those attending church services in person may place their Mite Box Mission donations in the large Mite Box in the narthex.

During May, the members of St. Paul’s donated \$150.00 for Mite Box Mission Grants! Many thanks!

Sharing Christ’s gifts with those in need

**** 2021–2023 Mission Grant “Hope of Christ for Cancer Patients — Phil’s Friends” \$70,000 ****

Phil’s Friends: Prayers and Cares



Phil’s Friends sends care packages around the nation to comfort those affected by cancer. The care packages open doors to a relationship and bring opportunities to share the Gospel. Former LWML President Betty Duda said it best: **“Receiving a grant is wonderful, but all the prayers that come along with it are even more powerful.”** Prayer touches every aspect of this ministry. Prayers are said over every box as it is filled. Volunteers pray with patients on the phone. Others pray over every card that is sent.

Thank you to everyone who donated diapers for the Diaper Drive for CROSS. A special thank you to Joyce Hardy for delivering the diapers donated at church.

LWML Convention, June 22 – 25, 2023 Milwaukee, WI

Eyeglasses left in the narthex will be taken to this convention. They will be donated to MOST Ministries who use them in their ministry. Former member Wanda Hall had gone to Latvia with Most ministries.

Save the Date: Fall Women’s Retreat will be at the new Omega Lodge at **Camp Omega, September 15-16.** The Omega Lodge offers one-level, mobility-friendly access so all can enjoy the beauty of the great outdoors while studying some names and traits of God. You will find peace in God’s presence! The featured speaker, Michelle Diercks will be one of the early (6:45a) Bible study leaders at the national LWML convention. Watch for registration information coming out this summer.

**Please join us at our next Business Meeting on Wednesday, September 13, at 1:30p
in the Party Room at Mary Patrice Apartments, 100 3rd St. NW, Osseo, MN**

Hymn Studies with Esther

June- Pentecost- Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord *LSB* #497

Greetings to you as we enter the season of Pentecost! Your pastor, my dear husband, gifted me the *Lutheran Service Book Companion to Hymns* at our recent trip to the Minnesota Pastor's Conference. I thought it would be fun to write up a hymn study each month, around a hymn we'll be singing in church.

The last Sunday of May was Pentecost Sunday, and we sang one of my favorites- #497, Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord. This hymn is often sung at ordinations and installations of pastors, and I have fond memories of it being sung at Concordia Theological Seminary at Pastor's call services.

This is one of many hymns written by Martin Luther. It was originally a Latin chant, which then in the 15th century became a German stanza beginning "Chum, heiliger, geist, here got." Luther spoke highly of this German version, remarking, "The hymn 'Come Holy Spirit Lord and God' was composed by the Holy Ghost himself, both words and music." Luther improved the German version by adding two verses. Later, it was translated into English by Catherine Winkworth, Richard Massie, and August Crull.

The hymn, when you're first looking at it, seems to be only about the Holy Spirit. However- it's joined by a common theme- Jesus Christ. Verse One names the Holy Spirit as God and Lord, bestowing gifts to every Christian in Baptism, in the Word of God, and in the Lord's Supper. Verse Two describes the work of the Spirit as revealing and delivering Christ and His gifts. Finally, Verse Three names the Holy Spirit as "Holy Fire," which is reminiscent of the tongues of fire of Pentecost. The verse turns to the life of the Christian, strengthened and comforted by the Holy Spirit.

Want to dig deeper on the Word of God included in this hymn? Check out these verses:

-Galatians 5:22, Isaiah 60:3, John 8:12, Romans 8:5-16, John 14:6, and Acts 2:1-3

I hope that this short exploration brings deeper meaning to you the next time we sing this hymn in church. Better yet- pull out a hymnal and look over it again during your personal devotions!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS FOR JUNE 2023

Another year of Sunday School is over. Thanks to all the teachers who donated so many hours of their time teaching and preparing lessons:

Preschool/Kindergarten: Marsha McKibben, Joyce Hardy, Barb Gamache, Erin Hardy

Grades 1 & 2: Jenny Hines

Grades 3, 4 & 5: Stephanie Nelson

Grades 6, 7 & 8: Rick Scheevel

High School/Young Adults: Darren Slack and Jason Voss.

Thanks to Melanie Tuttle for taking attendance and collecting the offering.

Thanks to all who filled in for teachers when they were gone.

Thanks to all the parents for bringing their kids to Sunday School and church.

OFFERINGS

Through our Sunday School offerings and Rick Scheevel's generous matching donation, we will have enough money from our offerings to buy approximately two and a half Kindles for Lutheran seminary students for their seminary education. Thanks to Rick and all who donated.

VBS

We are getting very excited for VBS which is Monday through Thursday, August 7 through August 10, 9:30a to 11:30a. Registration will start in July. We will have fun while learning how to Shine Jesus' Light when life feels dark, when people don't get along, when good things happen, when people are sad, and when people need help. Come and join us for an out of this world, stellar experience.

CROSS

We delivered 46 pounds of diapers to CROSS. Thanks to all who donated. You can continue to donate food by placing it in the wagon in the narthex. CROSS is also in need of hygiene products.

Have a great summer. Remember that even though Sunday School is taking a break for the summer, church is not. We are looking forward to seeing you over the summer, too.

Trinity First School

in the Phillips neighborhood is in need of the following:
(Hint: school supplies go on sale after July 4th)

School supplies:

- Plain white construction paper
- Glue sticks
- Crayola markers
- Unruled 3 x 5 index cards (plain white with no lines)

Gift cards:

- Target or Walmart (write amount on the cards)
- Gasoline station cards (Speedway or Holiday – NOT Kwik Trip!)

Dedication of donated items will be August 6, 2023

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the congregation (Psalm 111:1).

Additional greetings to you, in the name of Jesus Christ,

“What is going on? Another letter from Pastor Burns. Why more?” This month, and even last month, my letters to you have all been pretty much all Law. FILL OUT OUR FORM!!! HELP THE OFFICE HAVE BETTER RECORDS!!! BE IN WORSHIP!!! Well, I wanted to have something a little different for you.

Thank You!

It's easy to get bogged down on the day-to-day workings of a congregation. There is planning, services, visits, and numerous other things. But I wanted to take this time to give thanks to God for all of you! In the month of July, I will be celebrating my 21st year in the Holy Ministry. Over eight of those years have been in service to you.

Thank you for all that you have done to make these past eight years to be a joy. Not only for me, but for my family as well.

May God continue to bless our time together, as we are surrounded by His gifts of Word and Sacrament.

In Christ,

Pastor Burns Romans 1:16

What Do You Want?

One of the best-known and most-beloved psalms is Psalm 23, the “Shepherd Psalm.” There we learn that the Lord is our Shepherd. And since He is our Shepherd, we will not want. We will not suffer want because the Lord, our Shepherd, will lead us to green pastures and beside still waters. In other words, the Lord, our Shepherd, will provide for all that we need in both body and soul.

Yet, we live as though this is not the case. We live as though we actually suffer from want, that the Lord, our Shepherd, will not provide for all that we need. And thus, we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd. And that means that we live as though we are not the Lord's sheep.

When do we live as though the Lord is not our Shepherd? When we put anything else before Him and His provision for us. When we think that going to work is more important than receiving His gifts in church on Sunday (in violation of the First and Third Commandments). When we fail to give generously of the first fruits of what the Lord has provided for us because we don't know what the future will bring (even though He has promised that He will lead us to green pastures and still waters).

We live as though we are not the Lord's sheep when we think that the Lord is only in the business of helping those who will help themselves. We act this way because our minds are set on earthly, temporal things and not on heavenly, eternal things. We act this way because we have stopped hearing the call of our Shepherd, which comes through His Word.

Through the Word of God, the Shepherd calls us to Himself. Through the Word, the Holy Spirit gathers and enlightens us with His gifts. Through the Word, we are kept holy and nourished in the one true faith, the faith that follows our Shepherd wherever He leads us. He promises to lead us to our true home, to the land flowing with milk and honey, to a better country, not of this world, but a heavenly one.

And so, here's the Good News: the Lord is your Shepherd, even and especially for wayward sheep. For Jesus seeks and saves those who are lost. He finds the lost sheep and carries them back to the fold. He is the Shepherd who lays down His life for His sheep. The Lord is your Shepherd. Let us live as His sheep.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>Just for Kix 6:00p-7:00p Parking lot</i>	2 Office Closed	3
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120 by September!

Our State recently approved a bold plan to have ZERO Carbon for Electricity by 2040. That is quite a goal that many applaud and now the energy sectors are working to meet that goal.

Saint Paul's also has a bold plan in place. 120 by September!

The purpose of this plan is to start having two services again in the Fall.

How will we achieve this:

- Have our Members be in Worship.

- Have our Members invite others to Worship.

- Have our Members talk about Saint Paul's

- Encourage our Members to talk to friends (maybe some of them Members who haven't been in Worship for a while) to come to Church.

In the beginning of May the World Health Organization declared that the Covid-19 Pandemic was over. Let's celebrate, as we gather for in person Worship and return to having our 8:00a and 10:30a Services once again!

So, help us to reach our goal!

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