

St. Paul's Church

May Newsletter

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Dear St. Paul's,

When will it be Spring? When can we wear shorts? When will it stop snowing? When can we ride our bikes? When will the pool open? When will it be summer? My kids have been asking me these questions relentlessly for weeks. Maybe you have been asking these same questions. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make our Easter Services such great worship experiences. There were 53 people at the 6:30am Sunrise Worship on the Pharm Property. It was so cold the grape juice we had for Communion began to freeze, but the fire was crackling, the coffee was hot, and the company was warmhearted. At our 9:30am Easter Service there were nearly 300 people. Thanks to our staff and all our volunteers for attentive planning and good hospitality. Thank you!

As we daydream about the warmth of summer, our Worship Team is looking to add your own church talent into our services. Do you write poetry, write short reflections, do you play an instrument, can you sing? Our Worship Team is looking for you. Please e-mail the church office if you have an interest or know of someone in our congregation who may enjoy sharing their artistry.

We are coming to the end of our program year. Sunday School and Confirmation Class will soon be wrapping up. I want to say thank you to our families and volunteers who have walked alongside our young people as witnesses of faith and mentors in learning. Thank you to our Bible Study Groups, Quilters, and Choir.

Sincerely,
Pastor Dana



Leadership & Staff: Pastor Dana Jackson & Pastor Kristen Schlauderaff

Sharon Duden, President; Ellie Tiedemann, President Elect; Dan Flemke, Vice President;
Delores Morud, Secretary; Laurie Hinrichs, Treasurer; Lynne Petersen, Organist; Jeanne
Follstad, Choir Director; Linda Kuyath, Finance Secretary; Sue Ottman, Secretary; Marcia
Anderson, Wedding Coordinator; Randy Mickelson, Custodian

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

From April 12, 2018

Encourage Ministry Team— No meeting

Give Ministry Team – Would like to increase social media, possibly using videography.

Invite Ministry Team— Graduation celebration will be held on May 20th.

Serve Ministry Team – Quotes received on replacing sacristy door. Boiler repair total apx. \$5,000.

Study Ministry Team – Random Acts of Kindness bingo cards for Sunday School kids to be used this summer.

Youth Ministry Team - No meeting

Worship Ministry Team – Saturday night services need a song leader. Various projects being worked on for summer months.

Unfinished Business – Youth team needs positions filled.

New Business – Permission granted to allow Goodhue County Historical Society to conduct tour on May 12.

Pastors Report – Holy Week went very smoothly. Lots of compliments on the March 21st service.

Next Meetings: Thurs., May 10th

Leadership: 6 p.m., Teams: 6:30 p.m.; Council 7:30 p.m.

Wear Red!!!

Pentecost Sunday is May 20th!!!

If possible, please wear red to church services!!!



A simple and convenient way to give!!

Consider automating your regular donations with our electronic giving program. **St. Paul's** relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Visit the church office for more information.

Thank you!



~ ALTAR GUILD ~

We are in desperate need of altar guild members. You would be on a team that would be responsible for setting up for communion and changing out the paraments on the altar three months out of the year! If interested, ask a couple of your church friends or family members and make it a Saturday morning outing—enjoy a cup of coffee and great fellowship as you serve St. Paul's in this ministry. If you are interested in learning more, just give our office a call at 651-388-7106.

Thank you!!!



Exciting News! St. Paul's Lutheran Church Red Wing is on Amazon Smile. If you already shop at Amazon.com for anything, you can designate St. Paul's to receive a donation each time you buy. You must go to **smile.amazon.com** and designate St. Paul's as your selected 501(c)(3) eligible charity and you are on your way to helping St. Paul's carry out its mission in Red Wing and the world! If you have questions talk to Derek Jackson on the Give Team



You are invited!!!
100th Birthday party for
Edna Martenson
Saturday, May 12th,
2- 4 p.m.



Potter Ridge Dining Room
1971 Neal St., Red Wing, MN
(Cards can be sent to Edna at:
Edna Martenson
1971 Neal St., #008
Red Wing, MN 55066

Congratulations to the following
students that will be receiving their
First Communion in April or May:

Emily Angell
Julia Boyle
Carson Callstrom
Ella Eggenberger
Turner Harris
Owen Halverson
Brock Jeske
Lindsey Ward



Your St. Paul's family is very
proud of you!!!



SYNOD ASSEMBLY

SE MN Synod Assembly will be held on
May 4 and 5th in Mankato, MN.

Delegates representing St. Paul's:

Pastor Dana Jackson
Sharon Duden
Julie Albers
Burt Will



Happy Mother's Day!!!



A Sunday School teacher asked her students: "Where is medicine first mentioned in the Bible?" A student answered: "When God gave Moses two tablets."



Gerten's Delivery Day will be

Wednesday, May 9th.

Orders can be picked up between
1:00 and 7:00 p.m.

A special thank you to Gina Colwell
for all her help in organizing this fundraiser!!!

St. Paul's Foundation will meet:

July 26, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

October 25, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.



**The following students will be Confirmed on
Sunday, May 6th, at an 11:00 service:**

Makayla Adolph	Aydan Anderson
Logan Bryant	Joey Carlson
Aliyah Daley	Emma Eggenberger
Jacob Flemke	Michael Flynn
Wyatt Gonsior	Madalyn Hardy
Tatumn Harris	Tessa Jeske
Mara Kelly	Carter Knapp
Marcus Lindquist	Nadia Poole
Chase Snyder	Dylan Taube
Jorgen Ulvenes	

Congratulations!!!



**St. Paul's Church Office will be
closed on Monday, May 28th
in observance of Memorial Day.
Have a safe holiday!!!**

"Rainy Days": An update from your Quilters!!!

Despite our rather cold and wintry weather we are experiencing as I write this, we all know spring is here and summer can't be far behind. As the quilter's wrap up our sewing season, we find ourselves with a bounty of yarn just waiting for someone to knit or crochet into prayers shawls, scarves, or children's sweaters and blankets. We also have lots of fabric remnants that need to be cut into squares, and we have cut squares waiting to be sewn into tops. If any of these pastimes interest you, maybe you'd like to pick up some supplies at church for those rainy days (or too hot days) of summer when it is nice to have something crafty to do. We can help you with patterns or instructions if needed. Just talk to Elaine Scharpen (651-388-9512) or Maggie Sprick(715-594-3944), (or really any of the quilters) in order to get set up for some enjoyable summer handwork.



We also appreciate you keeping us in mind if you see fabric remnants or bed sheets for sale on garage sales during the summer months. Making over 100 quilts a year requires a lot of backs and a lot of material. As always, it is your generosity that keeps us going as we create our blankets of love to warm the special folks who receive them.

**congrats!
GRADUATE**

MAY 20, 2018

St. Paul's will be celebrating our graduates on Sunday, May 20th, during the 9:30 service. Graduates will be receiving more information soon!

Tri-Lutheran Dinner – all women welcome

Join us on Tuesday, May 15, at 6:00 p.m. for our annual Tri-Lutheran Dinner being held at United Lutheran Church. Come for fellowship and enjoy dinner, devotions and a program with the Autumn Serenade Barbershop Quartet. Please sign up on the kiosk by May 10th (this helps to determine food quantities). An offering basket will be available marked for each church's offering. St. Paul's is responsible for preparing and serving the salad!! Contact Judi Mickelson if you are able to contribute a salad.
651-764-3575

Women's Day 2018 – Good Earth Village

Join us on Saturday, June 30, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Good Earth Village for Women's Day. Women across generations are invited to join the fun! After connecting over a delicious lunch, workshops will be offered ranging from hiking the trails to intergenerational ministry. We'll close the day worshiping together before returning home with a spark of hope from experiencing glimmers of the Kingdom of god. Watch for more details or check out their website.



Congregational Update:

St. Paul's Leadership Team continues to work on steps necessary for the re-entry of Pastor Kristen to ministry at St. Paul's. Because this is a medical issue, which is also a privacy issue, the team cannot share more than what Pastor Kristen has shared with us, that she is in an out-patient program and is on schedule for completion, which takes from three to six months.

Members of the Team have met with synod representatives on three occasions. At one of those meetings a plan was written collectively with the synod that involves five steps for Pastor Kristen's re-entry. We are now at step four, a step that asks Pastor Kristen to prepare a plan of how she will re-enter her call. Upon acceptance of Pastor Kristen's plan, our final step will be a planning session with Leadership, Pastor Dana, Pastor Kristen, and Pastor Susan Miller from the synod office to write explicit job descriptions for both Pastor Dana and Pastor Kristen.

The Leadership Team has taken their role in this matter very seriously, desiring to keep the wellbeing of our church as its primary goal. It has required many meetings and much discussion as we seek to have Pastor Kristen return while supporting Pastor Dana as she faithfully leads our congregation. As stated at the beginning of this process, the Leadership Team wishes to compassionately bridge the return of Pastor Kristen to service at St. Paul's. Pastor Dana and Pastor Kristen are gifted Pastors, we have been blessed by their ministries. We welcome the day when both will be present, serving as our Pastors.

A note from Pastor Kristen:

"I am so very grateful for the many expressions of care and support that have come to me from St. Paul's members during this time of treatment and recovery. Cards and letters, phone calls and flowers have all brought me encouragement and strength. I look forward to returning soon to ministry with you when I can share the many ways in which God's grace has worked in new ways in my life."