

Mark 9:2-9 (ESV)

[2] And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, [3] and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. [4] And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. [5] And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." [6] For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. [7] And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." [8] And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only. [9] And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Quilters

The quilters will be having their annual pork chop dinner on March 4, 2012. The menu is: pork chop with dressing, scalloped potatoes, salads, pie, beverage. Tickets available in advance with adults at \$8.00 and kids 10 and under at \$4.00. Take out available with deliveries in Waseca. Get your tickets early. We always sell out. We will be selling tickets the last three weeks in February.

This is a mission project. The past years we have been sending quilts to the Seminary at Fort Wayne. Stop in at our quilting room # 2 and look at our bulletin board to read the thank yous from the students who have received a quilt. The students can go to the seminary clothing co-op and get a quilt free. If anyone is going to the Fort Wayne area and would like to take some quilts to the Seminary, let me know. We sent quilts with a student at the Seminary, he is now on Vicarage so we have no way to get them to the Seminary. The postage is too expensive to send them, but if there is someone who would want to donate money for the postage so that the quilts can still get there this year, even though our student is on vicarage, please contact Donna Hildebrandt.

Also this year we have quilted about 100 quilts to the Neighbor Service Center as there is a need for them in our own area. They are given out at Christmas time. Please continue to bring old blankets, sheets, bedspreads, drapes, material, thread, and jeans. It is all put to good use. See you at the pork chop dinner.

Thank you.

The quilters of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

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Resolutions

Just a note from the Board of Evangelism. Was going to turn in an article for the newsletter, but Amy started to fall asleep reading it so I thought it should be shortened up some. Considerably shorter. Will you join me in doing four things this year?

1 More consistent prayer for St. Paul Lutheran Church (you know, us the members!) our community and the worldwide church.

2 More consistent Bible reading and study. Our Sunday morning Bible study attendance is getting amazingly small. Pastor Zimmer has been doing a great job of leading the studies, won't you come join us? For Bible reading, try the book titles "Read Through the Bible in a Year in Chronological Order" by John R. Kohlenberger III for a reading list that takes you through the Bible in historical order. I've donated one of these books to our library, or you can buy them at the Lighthouse Bookstore in Mankato for about \$6.00, or get in touch with me. Parents and other adults are also invited to visit our Sunday School classes as well.

3 Would like to ask more people to help serve in the church-many possibilities here. Some possibilities that I know of personally are; be a mentor to one of our catechism students during Lent, help on the Sunday Bus in May or November, be a Radio Monitor, help usher, other things are being announced in the bulletin on a regular basis.

4 Be more physically active if possible. Walk a little more-park farther from the door or across the parking lot, ride a bike, use a hand mixer or a spoon next time you bake a cake instead of an electric mixer, if your lawn is small use a push mower instead of a rider. Do anything you can to keep your temple of the Holy Spirit(your body) in better shape!

From Paul Krienke

Board of Evangelism

St. Paul Lutheran Little Lambs Childcare

Happy Valentine's Day Everyone! February is a time to remind our family and friends of our love. And also to spread the word of God's love for everyone.

In January we have been talking and learning about Jesus as a little boy and then how he grew up and taught the people about God. We have also been learning how to keep ourselves clean and healthy. We have had some children sick with various things, but hopefully we can all get healthy again. We have tried to go outside and get some fresh air when we can and play in the little bit of a snow pile by the parking lot.

During February we will be learning about the following things:

Bible Story

Mary and Martha

(Luke 10:38-42)

Monthly Themes

Our Five Senses

Our Body and How it Works

Groundhog Day

Valentine's Day

President's Day

The shape heart

The color pink

The letter F

The number 6

Keep saving those Milk Moola bag and jug tops! WE will be sending another bunch in soon. We are also going to count up our Campbell points and if we have reached our goal, we will send for a balance beam to use during large muscle play. I believe the ink cartridge boxes are almost full too so if anyone has any to turn in we can send another shipment of them also. Thanks to all of you who are contributing to all our fundraisers.

If anyone would like to donate to Little Lambs this month, please see the list below.

Card Stock (white or colored)

Wide Craft (popsicle) sticks

Brad tabs for art projects

Post it type notes

Dawn dish soap

Bleach

Teddy Grahams

Baby puff snacks

Baby wipes

Clear Packaging Tape

We love Him because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13

St. Paul Lutheran Church Library Additions

February, 2012

The following books were added to the church library collection. Thanks to those who donated some of the books. The library is located in room 103 on the lower level of the education building. Stop in at your convenience.

Easy Books:

Two Arch Books, rhyming Bible story books, are new additions to the library.

- Joseph Forgives His Brothers by Robert Baden. Call number: A-Bad
- God Calls Abraham...God Calls You by Melinda Kay Busch. Call number: A-Bus

A Child's Book of Prayers, compiled by Sally Ann Wright, is a beautifully illustrated collection of prayers of praise and thanksgiving, confession, and intercession to nurture children's habits of regular conversation with God. Call number: A-Wri

Books for Adults:

The Lutheran Difference: An Explanation and Comparison of Christian Beliefs. This book identifies *how* Lutherans differ from other Christians and shows from the Bible *why* Lutherans differ. It helps prepare Lutherans to share their faith clearly and helps non-Lutherans understand the Lutheran difference. Call number: 8-Lut

In the Beginning, God..., by Joel D. Heck, is a booklet based on what God says in Genesis 1 about creation. The author presents scientific facts and persuasive arguments that support the Biblical account of creation. He dispels modern scientific myths about the origins of life and the world through evolution. Call number: 10-Hec

Martin Luther, by Martin Brecht, is a three-volume biography, which is a treasure of information and insight into Martin Luther and the Reformation period. Volume one covers His Road to Reformation (1483-1521); volume two is titled Shaping and Defining the Reformation (1521-1532); volume three concerns The Preservation of the Church (1532-1546). Call number: 14-Bre

At Home in the House of My Fathers by Matthew C. Harrison. These sermons, essays, letters and addresses by Pastors Walther, Wyneken, Schwan, Pieper, Pfothauer, give a glimpse into an earlier era of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. Topics include the church's call, the church's response to society's moral issues, and correspondence by Wyneken to Walther during his bout with depression. Call number: 14-Har

Reader's Digest Atlas of the Bible. This introduction to the Bible world serves as a companion to the Bible for the general reader and as an illustrated guide to the Holy Land. Call number: 15-Rea

Cindy Wood

Bible Reading Schedule

This month we read about some of the sacrifices God commanded in the Old Testament. The priests who performed those sacrifices pointed to the Perfect High Priest Who was to come - Jesus Christ. The sacrificial lambs pointed to Christ the Lamb of God Who took away the sins of the world (Leviticus 1:10-13; John 1:29). The shed blood was an "atonement cover" for the sins of God's people which pointed forward to the blood Christ would shed on the cross which would truly cleanse sinners from their sins (Leviticus 1:4; Hebrews 9:11-26; I John 1:7). Blood and water were agents of cleansing from sin in the Old Testament. In water (Baptism) and in blood (the Blood of the Lord's Supper) Christ sinners are still cleansed from sin today (Numbers 19:1-22; Matthew 26:26-29; Acts 8:36-39). May these Scripture readings help you grow in your understanding of Christ's sacrificial death for your salvation.

FEBRUARY:

1. Exodus 30,31,32; Acts 8
2. Exodus 33,34; Psalm 16; Acts 9
3. Exodus 35,36; Acts 10
4. Exodus 37,38; Psalm 19; Acts 11
5. Exodus 39,40; Psalm 15; Acts 12
6. Leviticus 1,2,3; Acts 13
7. Leviticus 4,5,6; Acts 14
8. Leviticus 7,8,9; Acts 15
9. Leviticus 10,11,12; Acts 16
10. Leviticus 13,14; Acts 17
11. Leviticus 15,16,17; Acts 18
12. Leviticus 18,19; Psalm 13; Acts 19
13. Leviticus 20,21,22; Acts 20
14. Leviticus 23,24; Psalm 24; Acts 21
15. Leviticus 25; Psalm 25,26; Acts 22
16. Leviticus 26,27; Acts 23
17. Numbers 1,2; Acts 24
18. Numbers 3,4; Acts 25
19. Numbers 5,6; Psalm 22; Acts 26
20. Numbers 7; Psalm 23; Acts 27
21. Numbers 8,9,10; Acts 28
22. Numbers 11,12; Psalm 27; Mark 1
23. Numbers 13,14; Psalm 90; Mark 2
24. Numbers 15,16,17; Mark 3
25. Numbers 18,19; Psalm 29; Mark 4
26. Numbers 20,21; Psalm 28; Mark 5
27. Numbers 22,23,24; Mark 6
28. Numbers 25,26; Mark 7