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Jesus Loves

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²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-25

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

314 - 4th Ave NE, Waseca, MN 56093
Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 8AM-2PM

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Mission Statement

"Empowered by God's Word, we joyfully share the Love of Jesus with all people."

Vision Statement

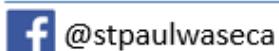
"We will be a vibrant, welcoming church serving the needs of our members, community, and missions by partnering with other churches and organizations while preaching and teaching the inspired Word of God and our Savior Jesus Christ."

SUNDAY MORNINGS (JUNE-JULY-AUG):

- † Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
 - 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- † Adult Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Paul A. Lauer

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From Pastor's Desk

Rev. Paul A. Lauer

June, 2021

The calendar year has four seasons while the Church year can be said to have two seasons. From Advent through Easter, we celebrate "The Year of Our Lord" while "The Year of the Church" runs from the Day of Pentecost until Thanksgiving. Of course, the "Year of Our Lord" can be reduced further into Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, and Easter; but they all are part of telling the familiar story of our salvation through Jesus Christ, God's Son and our Savior.

The Season of the Church, however, includes up to 28 consecutive weeks and is focused not on the prophecy and life of Christ, but on our Christian lives as individuals, as congregations, and as the whole people of God on earth. How much of that story are you familiar with?

From early June through late November, we review the teachings of Jesus. He tells us about how God sees things. He talks about what our priorities in life should be, how short this life is compared to eternity, and mostly about the Father's love and His plans for us now and forever. I find that many of the questions people have are addressed and answered during the Summer and Fall weeks of Pentecost.

Meanwhile, the Church continues to thank, praise, and serve God best by hearing His Word and receiving His gifts through Baptism, Holy Communion, and Absolution (forgiveness). These, in turn, show us how and energize us to live as God's people. So like the summer growth of plants and animals alike, the Church is focused on growth. That's why the altar colors in the Summer and Fall are green. Church growth begins with growing in faith which comes from hearing God's Word and putting it into practice. When we do this, the other sort of "church growth" will follow as the Holy Spirit works through us; sometimes without us even knowing it.

In several parables, Jesus talks about how preparing and working the soil is essential to growth for plants but also for people. This is the season for that work: the work of weeding and feeding and watering the seed of faith within you.

Pastor's Office Hours: I will *normally* be in the church office Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. unless I am called away to another commitment in which case Laurie Flom should know when I plan to return. After 2 p.m. on these days I will either be making calls or will continue to be at the church.

Pastor's Contact Information: Your Pastor is always easy to contact. During day time hours, just call or text my cell phone **507-304-2402**. If I don't answer, leave a message and I will return your call as soon as I can. If you have an emergency during the night, be sure to **CALL** this number since texts and emails won't be picked up until morning. Speaking of email, you can reach me at palauer@gmail.com. I pledge to be always available to you and technology can help us do that at any time from anywhere.

Monday morning Bible study will resume each week at 10 a.m. in the parish hall beginning June 7th. Pastor Lauer will lead us through various topics and texts. Please join us!

In Christ,

Pastor Lauer

News & Notes

Are you interested in participating in a **Contemporary Ensemble** of voices and instruments this Summer? We hope to discover the level of interest, enjoy making music together, and possibly share our gifts with the congregation in worship. Join us Sunday, June 13th in the old parish hall after worship, about 10:15. Let's see what the Lord has in store for us by seeing who answers the call. No experience or special skills required. Contact Pastor Lauer or Kaleb Schmidt for more information.

WORSHIP TIMES: Please notice that beginning in June we are returning to our usual worship schedule as it was before the pandemic. Sunday worship will be at 9:00 am *only*. Sunday School is now finished until Fall, but Pastor Lauer will hold Bible Class in the Parish Hall beginning after 10:15. In June we will begin with the Gospel According to Mark. What was Mark's reason for writing? To whom was he writing? What points do we miss or not understand because of the ancient people he was writing to? All this and more of the "good stuff" from Mark. Please join us when you can.

SMALL GROUP COMMUNION will continue to be offered once each month on the third Wednesdays. In June that's Wednesday June 23rd at 1 p.m. in the sanctuary. Please use the handicapped door. If you've been away for the weekends or are still self isolating, it's important to receive the Lord's Supper even if you're listening on the radio or watching on Facebook. Pastor Lauer is also now making monthly visits to our **SHUT INS**. Please let us know if you will be laid up for rehabilitation or moving into assisted living or full nursing care facilities.



Congratulations to our 2021 Graduates!

Waseca Senior High School: Noah Flom, Emily Guerra, Kialyn Quillen, Kaleb Schmidt, and Griffin Seifert.

Gustavus Adolphus College: Mallorie Gehloff

YOUTH GROUP

Come join the fun!

Youth group consists of students who have been Confirmed (grade 8 through grade 12). We meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM.

-Aimee Hill, Youth Group Leader



BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

This month we are told God the heavenly Father, is our Father. In Baptism, we are declared His dear children. (Ephesians 4:4-6) Our heavenly Father tells us how Christian families should work and live together (Ephesians 5:22-6:4; Colossians 3:18 - 4:6). As sons and daughters of the heavenly Father, we are encouraged to walk in the footsteps of the only perfect Child, Jesus Christ. And when we fail, our loving heavenly Father applies to us the loving grace and forgiveness His Son has won for us! May the heavenly Father's grace bless you this month and for eternity.

JUNE:

1. Proverbs 19,20,21; Romans 13
2. Proverbs 22,23,24; Romans 14
3. Proverbs 25,26,27; Romans 15
4. Proverbs 28,29; Psalm 60; Romans 16
5. Proverbs 30,31; Psalm 33; Ephesians 1
6. Ecclesiastes 1,2,3; Psalm 45; Ephesians 2
7. Ecclesiastes 4,5,6; Psalm 18; Ephesians 3
8. Ecclesiastes 7,8,9; Ephesians 4
9. Ecclesiastes 10,11,12; Psalm 94; Ephesians 5
10. Solomon 1,2,3,4; Ephesians 6
11. Solomon 5,6,7,8; Philippians 1
12. I Kings 12; II Chronicles 10,11; Philippians 2
13. I Kings 13,14; II Chronicles 12; Philippians 3
14. I Kings 15; II Chronicles 13,14; Philippians 4
15. I Kings 16; II Chronicles 15,16; Colossians 1
16. I Kings 17,18,19; Colossians 2
17. I Kings 20,21; II Chronicles 17; Colossians 3
18. I Kings 22; II Chronicles 18,19; Colossians 4
19. II Kings 1,2,3; Psalm 82; I Timothy 1
20. II Kings 4,5; Psalm 83; I Timothy 2
21. II Kings 6,7; II Chronicles 20; I Timothy 3
22. II Kings 8,9; II Chronicles 21; I Timothy 4
23. II Kings 10; II Chronicles 22,23; I Timothy 5
24. II Kings 11,12; II Chronicles 24; I Timothy 6
25. Joel 1,2,3; II Timothy 1
26. Jonah 1,2,3,4; II Timothy 2
27. II Kings 13,14; II Chronicles 25; II Timothy 3
28. Amos 1,2,3; Psalm 80; II Timothy 4
29. Amos 4,5,6; Psalm 86; Titus 1
30. Amos 7,8,9; Psalm 104; Titus 2



ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot acolyte at the service assigned to you.
Please notify the church office at 835-2647 when you have changed with another acolyte.
Please arrive to the church 20 minutes before the service begins, as the candles are to be lit 10 minutes before the service.

| Date | Day | Service Time | Acolyte |
|-----------|--------|--------------|------------------|
| 6/6/2021 | Sunday | 9:00 AM | Ross, Josephine |
| 6/13/2021 | Sunday | 9:00 AM | Ryan, Troy |
| 6/20/2021 | Sunday | 9:00 AM | Schroeder, Blake |
| 6/27/2021 | Sunday | 9:00 AM | Schroeder, Wyatt |



Meet at Pizza Ranch on
Wednesday, June 23 @ 11:30 AM

Cotta Guild News

No Minutes from the May 2021 meeting. Next Meeting is June, 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Cotta Guild is sponsoring a Food Drive during the month of June for the benefit of the Waseca Area Neighborhood Service Center. Collection boxes are located at the North door and by Elevator. Nonperishable items, cereal, and toilet tissue are needed.



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!

Please note If your name is not listed, we do not have your birthdate in our church records. Please contact the church office to have your information updated. Thank you!

| Birthday | Name | Birthday | Name | Birthday | Name | Birthday | Name |
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| 3-Jun | Juliana Ross | 10-Jun | Darlene Fell | 17-Jun | Irene Madson | 22-Jun | Gene Schwarz |
| 4-Jun | Carol Born | 10-Jun | Andrew Schult | 17-Jun | Paul Krienke | 24-Jun | Susan Wobschall |
| 4-Jun | Craig Miller | 10-Jun | Griffin Seifert | 18-Jun | David Ziegler | 25-Jun | Joyce Proechel |
| 4-Jun | Mark Duncan | 11-Jun | Paul Lauer | 18-Jun | Margaret Duffy | 25-Jun | Sophia Schumacher |
| 5-Jun | Beverly Maass | 11-Jun | Kialyn Quillen | 18-Jun | Katharine Duffy | 26-Jun | Maverick Hill-Hondel |
| 5-Jun | Matthew Bickell | 13-Jun | Charlotte Wobschall | 19-Jun | Helen Schmidt | 27-Jun | Blake Schroeder |
| 5-Jun | Troy Ryan | 13-Jun | Serenity Clark | 19-Jun | Margaret Gades | 28-Jun | Jenny Arndt |
| 6-Jun | Lonnie Proechel | 15-Jun | Mark Rudolph | 19-Jun | Elijah Johanneck | 28-Jun | Nicole Griffin |
| 8-Jun | Emilee Kortuem | 15-Jun | Mallorie Malenke | 20-Jun | Carley Chance | 29-Jun | Natalie Quillen |
| 10-Jun | Gerald Schroeder | 15-Jun | Keian Klinger | 22-Jun | Jerry Flogstad | 29-Jun | Vincent Clark |

Our Youth Mission Team, led by Mark & Deb Pehrson, will be headed to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, June 17 - June 26. They will be sharing the Love of Jesus with all people and serving at Smokey Mountain Area Rescue Ministries. Please keep them in your prayers for their safe travels.



Smoky Mountain Area Rescue Ministries was founded to demonstrate the love of Christ by serving individuals and families in their moment of crisis.

Smoky Mountain Area Rescue Ministries was established in 2001 through the efforts of a group of concerned citizens who came together to address the problem of homelessness and poverty in Sevier County. After prayerful consideration, they invited Knox Area Rescue Ministries to partner with them in seeking to provide emergency relief and other basic services for homeless and near homeless men, women, and families in the Sevier County area. Smoky Mountain Area Rescue Ministries is a Christ-centered, interdenominational ministry with a goal of reaching out to the hopeless and hurting in our community and providing them with renewed hope and an opportunity to come to faith in Christ or strengthening their faith in Christ through our meeting of their most basic needs for food, shelter, clothing, and other services.

ST. PAUL YOUTH
MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

DRIVE-THRU

Hot Beef Commercials
& Pie

When: Friday, June 4 from 5:00-7:00 PM

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church
314 - 4th Ave NE, Waseca

Cost: \$8 Hot Beef Commercial; \$2 slice of pie

All proceeds benefit the St. Paul Youth Mission Trip



June 2021

St. Paul Lutheran Church – Waseca



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1. 10:00 am Prayer Team 6:00 pm Stewardship 7:00 pm Elders | 2. 7:00 pm Evangelism 7:00 pm Trustees | 3. 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 5:30 pm Education | 4. *Church Office Closed* 5:00-7:00 pm Drive-thru Hot Beef Commercials & Pie @ St. Paul (Youth Mission) | 5. |
| 6. 9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion 10:30 am Bible Study | 7. Church Office Hours (this week): 9 AM - NOON | 8. 10:00 am Adult Bible Class | 9. 10:00 am Prayer Team 5:30 pm Youth Group | 10. 1:00 pm Small Group Communion 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Cotta Guild | 11. *Church Office Closed* | 12. |
| 13. 9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion 10:30 am Bible Study | 14. 10:00 am Adult Bible Class 6:15 pm Revitalization | 15. 10:00 am Prayer Team | 16. 3:15 pm Colony Court | 17. 6:00 am Bible Breakfast | 18. | 19. |
| 20. *Father's Day* *Newsletter Articles Due* 9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion 10:30 am Bible Study | 21. 10:00 am Adult Bible Class 6:00 pm NSC Board | 22. 10:00 am Prayer Team 5:30 pm Youth Group | 23. 11:30 am 29ers @ Pizza Ranch | 24. 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 9:30 am Women's Bible Study | 25. Pastor Lauer Vacation (June 25 - July 1) | 26. |
| 27. 9:00 am Divine Service w/Holy Communion 10:30 am Bible Study | 28. 6:00 pm Church Council | 29. 10:00 am Prayer Team | 30. | 31. | 32. | 33. |
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