ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH 314 FOURTH AVE NE WASECA, MN 56093

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May 2022

Matthew 6:9-13

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH - (MISSOURI SYNOD)

314 - 4th Ave NE, Waseca, MN 56093 Church Office Hours (Mon-Fri): 9am-1pm Phone: (507) 835-2647 Email: stpaulwa@hickorytech.net

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 (SEPT - MAY):

- **⊕** Divine Service w/Holy Communion:
 - o 9:00 a.m. (also Facebook Live; and Radio 1170 AM/106.3 FM)
- ₱ Sunday School at 10:15 am and Adult Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Rich Carter (Vacancy Pastor)

Mobile Phone: (763) 340-9135

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St. Paul, Waseca Newsletter May 2022

Bring Your Own...

...Catechism, that is. "Bible Class" for the first three Sundays in May will be "Catechism Listening."

Luther's Small Catechism is so easily "lost," left to the confirmands, or to us when we were that age in such a class. We have made it that thick blue/purple textbook, and have missed Luther's view, that it was about ten pages long and could be put up as posters on the kitchen wall. We have easily, understandably, aimed confirmands at memory of its contents, and have missed perhaps that it was intended not only for mind but also for heart.

You are invited to "Catechism Listening" in the Parish Hall, with coffee and "goodies" each Sunday morning after worship. We will "listen" to

1 May: The Context and Content of the Small Catechism: Why did Luther "invent" such a thing?

8 May: The Creed and Me

15 May: Three (?!) Sacraments

You are invited to bring your own copy: the one that has gathered dust for a while on the bookshelf, the one in your memory from your confirmation days, the one in the hymnals we use, or the one in your phone (e.g., https://bookofconcord.org/small-catechism/).

Whether or not you are able to listen to Luther with us on Sunday mornings, you are invited to listen to Luther in his Small Catechism. For example, "I believe that God made me and all creatures...out of fatherly goodness and mercy." "God gives daily bread ...and will help us to know it and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving." "The benefit of such eating and drinking is shown us by these words...the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation." May God bless our listening, and yours.

Thank you!

You may have heard that Miriam and I will be leaving at the end of May; May 22 is our last Sunday. We are heading for two weeks of English language ministry in Germany, a commitment made two years ago; and then some visiting with Miriam's relatives.

We want to thank you for these months of "life together." We have appreciated your warm welcome, your efforts to help us in the apartment, and all the good food. In particular we are grateful that we could join you in your ministry for these six months, Empowered by God's Word, joyfully sharing the love of Jesus with all people.

We will keep you in our prayers in the weeks ahead, especially for the calling of your next pastor.

In Christ, Pastor Carter and Miriam Pray: We would like to thank those who have agreed to give their time to be on the Call Committee and to ask the congregation to keep each of these people in their prayers as they diligently work and prayerfully consider the one God has chosen to be our next pastor: Kent Delon, Jim Wyffels, Jerry Flogstad, Andrew Gilmore, Bill Kuschel, Kris Dahlhoff, Jessica Klinger, and Aimee Hill.

Pray: For those in Ukraine!!

Mark your Calendars for these upcoming events:

Mother Daughter Luncheon May 7th, 2022 at 11:30 am. "Trinity's Own Church Ladies" will follow lunch.

Hot Beef Commercial Drive Thru sponsored by The St Paul Lutheran Church Mission Trip Team May 13th, 2022 5pm-7pm

The last day of Sunday School for the 2021-2022 school year will be May 322nd, 2022. Thank you to all the teachers, parents and students who made this a fabulous year!! We will see you back in the fall.

SUNDAY

Come to the Celebration Brunch on May 22nd, 2022 hosted By the Board of Elder's and the Youth Mission Trip Team as we say Thank you and good bye to Pastor Carter and Miriam. **This is a No -Cost event**, immediately following church services.



BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

This month we celebrate three major Christian festivals - the Festival of Christ's Ascension, the Festival of Pentecost, and the Festival of the Holy Trinity. May's Bible Reading Schedule speaks about the events just before Christ's Ascension (Matthew 28:16-20). We often read about the three Persons of the Holy Trinity (Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 1:1-6; I Thessalonians 1:1-5). We also read about the Holy Spirit's work in the Old and New Testaments (II Samuel 23:2; Psalm 51:11-13; Matthew 28:18-20). God's grace given us by the Holy Spirit in Word and Sacrament will keep us in the faith until the day when Christ comes to judge the living and the dead (Matthew 24-25; I Thessalonians 4:13-5:11).

MAY:

- 1. I Chronicles 14,15; Psalm 132; Matthew 18
- 2. I Chronicles 16; Psalm 106; Matthew 19
- 3. II Samuel 7; I Chronicles 17; Psalm2; Matthew 20
- 4. II Samuel 8.9; I Chronicles 18; Matthew 21
- 5. II Samuel 10; I Chronicles 19,20; Psalm 20; Matthew 22
- 6. II Samuel 11,12; Psalm 51; Matthew 23
- 7. II Samuel 13,14; Matthew 24
- 8. II Samuel 15,16; Psalm 32; Matthew 25
- 9. II Samuel 17; Psalm 71; Matthew 26
- 10. II Samuel 18; Psalm 56; Matthew 27
- 11. II Samuel 19,20; Psalm 55; Matthew 28
- 12. II Samuel 21,22,23; I Thessalonians 1
- 13. Il Samuel 24; I Chronicles 21; Psalm 30; I Thessalonians 2
- 14. I Chronicles 22,23,24; I Thessalonians 3
- 15. I Chronicles 25,26,27; I Thessalonians 4
- 16. | Kings 1; | Chronicles 28; Psalm 91; | Thessalonians 5
- 17. I Kings 2; I Chronicles 29; Psalm 95; II Thessalonians 1
- 18. I Kings 3; II Chronicles 1; Psalm 78; II Thessalonians 2
- 19. I Kings 4,5; II Chronicles 2; Psalm 101; II Thessalonians 3
- 20. I Kings 6; II Chronicles 3; Psalm 97; Romans 1
- 21. I Kings 7; II Chronicles 4; Psalm 98; Romans 2
- 22. I Kings 8; II Chronicles 5; Psalm 9; Romans 3
- 23. Il Chronicles 6,7; Psalm 135; Romans 4
- 24. I Kings 9; II Chronicles 5; Psalm 136; Romans 5
- 25. I Kings 10,11; II Chronicles 9; Romans 6
- 26. Proverbs 1,2,3; Romans 7
- 27. Proverbs 4,5,6; Romans 8
- 28. Proverbs 7,8,9; Romans 9
- 29. Proverbs 10,11,12; Romans 10
- 30. Proverbs 13,14,15; Romans 11
- 31. Proverbs 16,17,18; Romans 12



ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Please arrange a replacement if you can not acolyte at the service assigned to you. Please notify the church office at 507-835-2647 when you have changed with another acolyte. Please arrive to the church 20 minutes before the service begins, as the candles are to be

May 1st, 2022: (Sunday) Traehvon Miller-Nelson

May 8th, 2022: (Sunday) Joseph Schumacher

May 15th, 2022: (Sunday) Wyatt Schroeder

May 22nd, 2022: (Sunday) Wyatt Arndt

lit 10 minutes before the service.

May 29th, 2022 (Sunday) Josephine Ross

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Will meet May 25th at Noon.

Pot Luck Hosted by Roger and Marilyn Rucker

Come Join us if you can!!





(Please note: If your name is not listed; we do not have your birthdate in our church records. Please contact the church office and we will update our records. Thank you!)

May 2022

			Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday 1 Matthew Klinger	Monday 2 Timothy Roemhildt	Tuesday 3	4 Leslie Schult	5 Ryan Berg	6	John Amold
8	9	10	11	Susan Rucker 12 Jacob Lemmen	13 Giles Zimmer	14
Debbie Pehrson 15	Marilyn Teskey 16	17	18	19 Michael Bochman	20	21
22 Vivian Bohmbach Ronald Roemhildt	23	24 Grant Duffy	25	Linda Hein Eric Schwarz	Kraig Deling	Levi Flom
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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

The Last Sunday is May 22nd, 2022. See you in September

Sunday mornings at 10:15am - snacks, music, skits, crafts, games and God's word! Students are released to their parents at 11:15am. Ages 3 through grade 8, please register with the church office. High school students, come be a helper! We are so thankful for all our loving volunteers! Contact Superintendents Aimee Hill (651-380-0207 or aimeebpaulson@gmail.com) or Jen LaCroix (507-384-1079 or jenlacx@gmail.com) to get involved.

Easter Breakfast Thank You

Many thanks to everyone who attended the Easter Breakfast. What a blessing to eat together! \$400.00 was raised for Camp Omega Scholarships.

Vacation Bible School: Let's all get ready to go to "Adventure Island" beginning July 31st -August 4th, 2022.

Empty Shoeboxes Available

Christmas shoeboxes are available to take home, fill, and return with shipping funds of \$9 per box. Just ask the church office or Jen LaCroix. Items are also available to fill your box!

Sunday School children will pack boxes in the fall, but we are planning for a more manageable number. (185 boxes this past year was a blessing and overwhelming for our small Sunday School.)

To make donations to St. Paul Sunday School for packing, please remove bulky packaging and drop off at the church office. Small toys and games, trinkets, jewelry, cups/water bottles and craft/school supplies, toothbrushes, washcloths, bar soap and items are needed for ages 2-14, for both boys and girls. (No liquids, pastes, glue, putty, dough or slime of any kind. No toy guns or military items.) Monetary donations to cover the cost of special Christmas shoeboxes and the \$9 shipping fee per box are also welcomed. Thank you!

Questions about Operation Christmas Child? Please contact Jen LaCroix 507-384-1079 jenlacx@gmail.com, or Aimee Hill in the church office 507-835-2647.

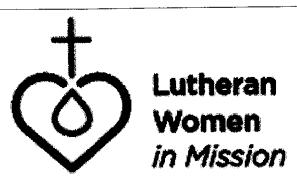


Are you in need of transportation to appointments or to the store??

Are you able to drive someone to an appointment or to the store??

If you fit into either of these categories, please call the church office so we can help you coordinate a driver.

Please remember to mark on your offering envelope if you wish to give to any area of the church besides the general fund. Some options are: Church Improvements, Caring fund, Scholarships, Mission Trips, Memorial Fund.



COTTA GUILD NEWS:

April Cotta Guild Meeting:

We gathered at 7pm and ate dessert served by Judie's circle. Devotions were led by Cindy Wood titled, "The Lamb of God". We sang about the Lamb from hymn #547 and page 198, "Lamb of God".

March minutes and treasurer's report were read and approved. Many thank you cards were available to read. Our only birthday was Joyce Frink on the 18th. We will have Aimee order us a large LWML MITE BOC, to set out once a month, for a free will offering.

Our Mother Daughter Luncheon will be on May7th, 2022. We will be serving a delicious lunch and "Trinity's Own Church Basement Ladies" will be our entertainment. Hope to see you there! A neat gift will be handed out.

Our next meeting will be May 12th, 2022 @ 7pm with Linda's Circle serving.

Pastor Carter and Miriam's last Sunday will be May 22nd, 2022. A brunch will be served, hosted by the Elder's and Youth Mission group at 10:30am.

We will discuss Father's Day at our May Meeting.

Kathy Flogstad/Public Relations

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION: The Lutheran Witness Magazine Subscriptions are due by May 30th, 2022. The cost for the year is \$19.68. If you are interested in adding or renewing a subscription, please drop off your check in the amount of \$19.68 (payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church) to the church office by May 30th, 2022. Thank you!!

You may know that St. Paul belongs to the Minnesota South District of the Lutheran Church- Missouri Synod. Indeed, in these weeks some district leaders have been helping with the process for calling a new pastor for our congregation. Please know also that those officials pray for the congregations of the district: With the signatures of the district staff, we received a postcard greeting us of St. Paul in mid-April: "Grace, peace, and joy to you from your brothers and sisters in Christ. Today we lifted your congregation, staff, and leaders in prayer during our morning devotions. We are thankful for our partnership in building God's kingdom. May God bless you as you connect people to Jesus."

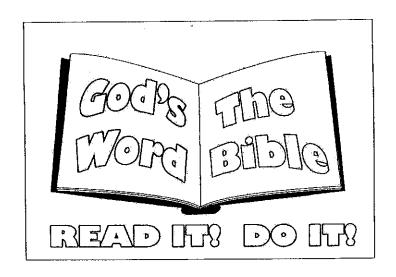
A Huge Thank you, to the following families who donated flowers for their family Loved ones: Karen Weckwerth, Gary Ross, Esther Dietrich, Duane Brase, Jerry Flogstad, Shirley Bluhm, Dave Ziegler, Lois Spies, Karen Berg, Connie and David Krause, Immanuel Mueller, Rebecca Mueller, Bob Lau, Anita Nelson, Margie Arndt, Jeanette Williams, Ken Lenz, Audra Ryan, Dick Arnold, Bob Roemhildt, Ron Roemhildt, Kent Delong, Jim Wyffels, Cynthia Kolander, Lila Schaal, Marv Maas, Grant Duffy, Dean Worke, Linda Korb, Rod Wood, Kraig Deling, John and Judy Deling, Dale Rudolph, Jean Kuschel. Kathy Flogstad, Flower Committee

Camp Omega is hiring positions in maintenance, housekeeping and food service. All applicants are welcome, we will train you for the positions! Come work in a fun, Christian environment and serve the Lord while supporting the Camp Ministry! You can apply online at campomega.org or call the camp office at (507)685-4266.



HELP

The Quilters would like to remind everyone that the Quilts that are on display in the Sanctuary are available to be purchased. Please see Donna Hildebrandt or any of the quilters if you are interested in purchasing a quilt. Proceeds go to purchasing more materials needed to share these beautiful gifts.



Our Prayer Team: continues to meet on Monday mornings from 10-10:30 am to pray for what God is doing here at St. Paul Lutheran, for those with health concerns, and for all matters on our hearts. You're welcome to join us!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Will meet on May 4th and May 18th at 9:30 am!

We will be starting a new DVD series, <u>God Heard Their Cry: Finding Freedom in the Midst of Life's Trials.</u> We'll travel to Egypt via DVD and discover how God answers the cry of His persecuted people and proclaims Himself LORD to them and their oppressors, with encouragement for us too. All women are invited to join us in the old parish hall at the north end of the church basement for an hour the first and third Wednesday of the month. The west door on the parking lot side of the church will be unlocked.

BIBLE BREAKFAST: Meets every Thursday at 6:00 am at Jonnie Beans!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Meets every Sunday morning at 10:30 am in the Parish Hall

YOUTH GROUP: We will be taking the summer off from our normal meeting schedule.

Please keep an eye out for some "POP UP' youth activities during the summer months. Enjoy your summer and I look forward to seeing all of you again in the fall.

Aimee Hill, Youth Group Leader

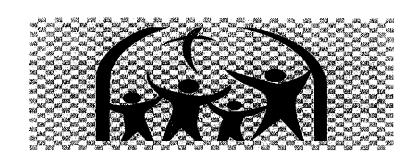
SUNDAY SCHOOL:

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Vacation Bible School:

Mark your calendar: July 31st thru August 4th, 2022.

More information to come.



MEET OUR YOUTH: Introducing the class of 2024

Hannah LaCroix:

- 1. What are some of our talents?
 - a. Music, Writing and Reading, Leadership and Organization
- 2. What are your plans after high school?
 - a. Flute performances/Music
- 3. What is something most people do not know about you?
 - a. I would choose to stay inside rather than go out.
- 4. Where is your favorite place in the world to go?
 - a. Montana
- 5. If you were a city, which city would you be and why?
 - a. Rexford, Montana. This town is small and serene. It resembles my quiet personality.
- 6. What is one question you want to ask God?
 - a. Did Adam and Eve have belly buttons?
- 7. Who is your favorite person in the Bible and why?
 - a. Ruth. She gives us great insight into how God works through faith and exemplifies the invitation Jesus gives all of us to leave behind the ways of this world and join him.
- 8. What about heaven are you most excited for and why?
 - a. To be in the presence of God, to Listen to Him, and to walk with Him. To look into Jesus 'eyes will be what I've always long to see: the person who made me for whom I am meant to be.
- 9. Who is one person in the church that you would like to thank for all the help and guidance they have given you and why?
 - a. Millie Gerlach! She is a wonderful example of how church members should serve each other. Her kindness and generosity are a blessing to everyone.







Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1.9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Bible Study	2. 10:00 am Prayer Team	3. 1:00 pm Quilters 6:00 PM Stewardship 6:00 PM Elders	4. 9:30 am Women's Bible 7:00 pm Senior Choir & Ensemble 7pm Trustee's & Evangelism	5. 6:00 am Bible Breakfast 5:30pm Education 7 pm Grandparenting Matters	ý	7. Mother Daughter Luncheon 11:30am
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15. 9:00 am Divine Service 10:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Bible Study	16. 10:00 am Prayer Team 6:00 pm NSC Board	17. 1:00 pm Quilters NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE	18. 9:30 am Women's Bible 7:00 pm Senior Choir & Ensemble	19. 6:00 am Bible Breakfast@ Jonnie Bean	20.	21.
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