

# St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - May 7<sup>th</sup> & May 8<sup>th</sup>

## NEW "GALATIANS" BIBLE STUDY

(beginning this Sunday)

**Location: Room 131**

**When: Every Sunday @ 9:50 am**

**Teacher: Pastor Drinnon**

"To be convinced in our hearts that we have forgiveness of sins and peace with God by grace alone is the hardest thing."  
– Dr. Martin Luther

What is the purpose of the Law? What is the power of the Law over a Christian? Come and join Pastor Drinnon on a journey through Paul's Epistle to the Galatians. In this epistle, Paul gives one of the clearest defenses of the Gospel against the Judaizers – a group that sought to bring Christians back under the Law of Moses. Paul unpacks the implications of Christ's incarnation, life, death, and resurrection – that we are saved by grace alone. The greatest gift we have is Christ's righteousness.

## ATTENDANCE CARDS

**Please locate the Attendance Cards in your row and fill one out when you arrive.** They will be collected during the offering. If you are visiting, please feel free to include your address and phone number. You may also include any prayer requests on the attendance card.

## "ROMANS"

**Location: Fellowship Hall, Downtown**

**When: Every Tuesday @ 10:00 am**

**Teacher: Roy Cordes**

Paul's letter to the Christians (Jews & Gentiles) in Rome was designed to assist them in their Christian walk to help them witness while living in a very corrupt society during the 1st century. The class will apply all of the Christian living principles during the same corrupt society during the 21st century. Worldly standards have not changed much or have gotten worse. We will study God's Word to help us become witnesses to the Gospel and lead others to Christ by our Christian walk. Join us for this Bible study.

## TUITION ASSISTANCE DRIVE

In celebration of the school's 155<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we are hosting a Tuition Assistance Drive in the hope that we can help families who would otherwise be unable to send their children to St. Paul's. If you would like to play a part in this effort, please grab an envelope from the board in the school lobby, fill it with the corresponding dollar amount and turn it in to the office or collection plate.

## PROJECT COMPASSION / GABRIEL'S CALLERS

Project Compassion Visitors & Gabriel's Callers will have their quarterly meeting at Chicago Dough on **Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** Visitors & Callers will meet for fellowship, sharing and food. Anyone interested in becoming a visitor or caller is welcome to attend. Please call the church office at 815-932-0312 to RSVP.



## BE THE CHURCH 2022

BE THE CHURCH Local Mission Week is returning **June 11<sup>th</sup> through June 15<sup>th</sup>!** Throughout the week there will be service projects in the community and in our church. Some of the projects already planned are a bed build with Sleep in Heavenly Peace, blanket making and box packing with Phil's Friends, creating and delivering special gifts for our shut-ins, plus cleaning and landscaping projects. Also, VBS is returning and will be taking place during the evenings of Mission Week. The children attending VBS will be doing service projects too, as part of their activities. Everyone, of every age and ability, is invited to be a part of Local Mission Week. Put the dates on your calendar and come BE THE CHURCH!

## BE THE CHURCH KICK-OFF PROJECT

We are excited to announce our major kick-off project - a bed build with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP). SHP is a national organization that believes no child should sleep on the floor, so they build beds and give them to families in need. The local chapter of SHP finds a financial sponsor and then sets up in a parking lot or large, indoor open space where they show and teach volunteers how to make beds. On **Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8 am to noon**, St. Paul's will be the financial sponsor for a bed build and we will be the host site for the build at the school campus in Bourbonnais. You are invited to join us for the bed build. There are a couple of ways you can help in this large service project. One way is financial assistance in sponsoring beds. We hope to build 30 beds at \$250 per bed, so we need to raise \$7,500. You and your family could donate the money for a bed or donate any funds you are able to help us reach the goal. The other way to help is to volunteer to build beds on June 11<sup>th</sup>. You and your family can help with the early morning shift of 8-10 am or the late morning shift of 10am-noon or help all day. Children can build beds too with a parent working beside them. There will be sign-ups for building closer to the event, please watch for those details.



### VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING

The regular May Voter's Meeting is scheduled for **May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:30 p.m.** in the school gymnasium. The main item on the agenda will be voting on our new board directors and members. These positions are critical to the functioning of our church and its many ministries

Members of the congregation who are age 18 or older are eligible to become voting members and to participate in the decision making of the congregation. After attending at least two Voters' Assembly meetings in a one-year time period, a member is accepted into voting membership. Voting membership privileges then continue as long as you remain a member .

### MENS BIBLE BREAKFAST



Please join Pastor Koeppen on **Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 am** in the Riverside cafeteria to study God's Word over coffee and breakfast.

### TABEA RUMMAGE SALE



Our spring rummage sale is fast approaching and we could use your help!!

\* First, if you have any items you would like to donate for the sale, we would gratefully accept them at our downtown location. (Please note, we do NOT accept TVs or computers.)

\* Second, we are looking for volunteers to help. We are scheduling two-hour sessions for set-up help on **Tues, May 17<sup>th</sup> & Wed, May 18<sup>th</sup> and during the sale on Thurs, May 19<sup>th</sup> & Fri, 20<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 4pm.** Anyone can help and your time can be put toward partnership hours for next year already! We will especially need some helpers with muscle.

If you have items you'd like to donate or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact **Carol Ginger (815-922-5525) or Pat Baker (708-772-0933).** Thank you so much! The proceeds from our semi-annual rummage sales help purchase necessities such as candles, wine, wafers, robes, etc. that enhance all church services.

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We thank you for your service and donations! May God bless you for serving so faithfully. ~ *The Tabea Ladies*

### PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL

The 2022 Prairieview Fall Festival will be **Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>** and we are collecting books again for the book booth. We accept hard cover, paperbacks, fiction & nonfiction books. No textbooks please. Donations can be brought to the school or downtown. There is a box to the right in the school entrance, and they can be put outside the gym at the downtown church. If you would like books picked up at your home, please call Jeanne Vilt at 815-932-9855 or 815-216-0240.

### MR. HESS'

### RETIREMENT RECEPTION

After 41 years of teaching at St. Paul's, Mr. Hess is retiring at the end of this school year. We are honoring him with a retirement reception from 9:30 - 11:00 am on **Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.** Please join us to thank God and Mr. Hess for his many years of faithful service to our school!!



**SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm!** VBS is coming back and it's going to be better than ever! Take a 3-day journey with kid detectives as they dig into a few of Jesus' parables to solve the mysteries of how to grow their faith and how to serve & love others. On Wednesday, we will wrap up the adventure with a mystery family event.

Registration will begin next Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> between the church services. VBS will be open to the public so please feel free to invite your kids' friends and register your nieces, nephews and grandkids too! If you attend church on Saturday evenings and would like to register OR if you would like to volunteer to help before or during the event, please call the church office.

The youth's **Be The Church** mission week will run parallel to VBS so there will also be mission-based activities for all ages throughout the week!

**YOUTH NIGHT**

Our last Youth Night will be on **May 15<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00 pm** at the school.

**CALEB'S PRAYER CAR SHOW**



Caleb's Prayer Foundation was formed 8 years ago in memory of Caleb Hoggins who lost his battle with cancer at the age of 15. The foundation helps families

in Kankakee and Iroquois counties who are also battling cancer. The main source of income for the foundation is a benefit car show held at Phillips Auto Group in Bourbonnais. This year's event is **Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** (rain date, June 5<sup>th</sup>). Registration for car entries is from 9 am to 11 am and the entry fee is \$20. Judging starts at 11 am with trophies awarded at 3 pm. This event is open to the public at noon and is FREE. Lunch is available to purchase. Please contact Jim Baron at 815-937-4831 or [jmb1257@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmb1257@sbcglobal.net) with any questions. We hope to see you there!

**REMINDER.....**  
If you have an article you would like to run in the June/July newsletter, please be sure to submit it to Christie at [crahn@stpaulslutheran.net](mailto:crahn@stpaulslutheran.net) no later than May 15th.

**NEWS FROM PRAIRIEVIEW**

\* Come join the fun at the 33rd Annual Prairieview Golf Outing on **Friday, June 10th**. The \$75 fee includes green fee, cart, dinner, range balls, lunch, and 2 free drink tickets. Noon Shotgun Start! Supper provided by The Longbranch. Awards and door prizes! Register by June 1<sup>st</sup> by calling 815.269.2970 or go to [www.prairieviewlutheran.com](http://www.prairieviewlutheran.com) (use the Donation tab and select Golf Participant in the drop-down box).

\* Sponsor a hole at the Prairieview Lutheran Home Golf Outing! A \$150 donation will feature your company at a hole, on a promotional flyer, on Facebook, on website and in our Annual Report. Call 815.269.2970 or go to [www.prairieviewlutheran.com](http://www.prairieviewlutheran.com) (use the Donation tab and select Golf Sponsor in the drop-down box).

\* Thank you to everyone that has donated to this year's Easter Appeal. We are halfway towards being able to purchase a wheelchair van for our residents!

\* Nursing Home Week Celebrations! Any church members that would like to volunteer to help with a Nursing Home Week Activity, treats, or cards of well wishes, please contact Janet, our activities director, at 815.269.2970.

\* We have openings at Prairieview Skilled Care and Faith Place Memory Care!

**THANK YOU TO EASTER FLOWER DELIVERERS!**

The Board of Parish Fellowship would like to thank those members who delivered 20 Easter flowers to St. Paul's members who are shut-ins or in area nursing homes. Those who helped were Bill Balgeman, Joan Gehm, Colleen LaGessee, Jack & Janice Tomblin, and Anita Schluter Wilson. A special thanks to Lynda Koeppen for all her assistance and to those members who donated flowers for delivery.



*Dear St. Paul's School and Church family,*  
*Thank you for the outpouring of love and prayers during one of the most difficult seasons of our lives. Thank you for the cards, flowers, and most of all your prayers.*

*Love,*  
*Deanna and Allison Ballantine*  
*(Allison, St. Paul's Class of 2015)*

<b>OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE</b>	
<b>April 30<sup>th</sup> &amp; May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	
<b>Worship Attendance:</b>	
Sat., 5:00 pm .....	52
Sun., 8:30 am .....	87
Sun, 11:05 am .....	132
<b>WEEKEND TOTAL .....</b>	<b>271</b>
<b>Offerings Given</b>	
<b>General .....</b>	<b>\$13,107.00</b>
<b>Building .....</b>	<b>.\$895.00</b>
<b>School Ops .....</b>	<b>\$195.00</b>



## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

**Preacher:** Rev. Karl Koeppen  
**Liturgist:** Rev. Roger Drinnon  
**Organist/Pianist:** 5:00: June Schmidt      8:30: Nadine Engel  
**Audio/Visual:** 8:30: Todd Engel      11:05: Melody Trudeau

**Live Streaming & Recording:**  
 Matt Callan, Tom Stirnaman, Natalie Cherry

**Lay Ministers:** 5:00: Bruce Clark  
 8:30: Robert Carruthers, Richard Engel, Kevin Kurtz, Brent Eden  
 11:05: Richard Engel

**Lay Readers:** 5:00: Ken Ebert  
 8:30: Bill Balgeman  
 11:05: Melody Trudeau

**Acolytes:** 8:30: Hope Brammer, Seth McHugh  
 11:05: Ryan Sarkozi, Archie Schutters

**Trustees:** 5:00: Fred Langelett  
 8:30: Jim Trudeau  
 11:05: Greg Wheeler

**Ushers:** 5:00: Fred Langelett, Jim Sharper, Terry Treece, Rob Wood  
 8:30: Scott Styck, Brandon Tomblin, Chris Tomblin  
 11:05: Mike Callan, Dan Friesner, Aliya Gomez

**Contemporary Service Worship Team:**

Leah Bohlmann, Ellana Turrell, Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane and Gail Ferrebee, Scott Moore, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

<b>Sun, May 8</b> 	8:30 am 9:50 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	<b>MOTHER'S DAY</b> Worship - Traditional (Bourb) Adult & Youth Bible Class (Bourb) Children's Sunday School (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary (Bourb)
<b>Mon, May 9</b>		
<b>Tue, May 10</b>	10:00 am 6:00 pm	Adult Bible Class (Downtown) School Board Meeting (Bourb)
<b>Wed, May 11</b>	6:00 pm	Project Compassion/Gabriel's Caller (Chicago Dough)
<b>Thur, May 12</b>		
<b>Fri, May 13</b>		
<b>Sat, May 14</b>	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion (Downtown)
<b>Sun, May 15</b>	8:30 am 9:50 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 6:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - Communion (Bourb) Adult & Youth Bible Class (Bourb) Children's Sunday School (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - Communion (Bourb) Youth Night (Bourb) <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b>

**CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE (815-932-0312)**

**Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.**