

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School

Announcements - May 21st & May 22nd

"GALATIANS" BIBLE STUDY

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 to 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.

CONGRATULATIONS!!



Congratulations to Andrew Kubal and Seth McHugh, who share the title of Co-Valedictorians of this year's 8th grade class and also to Sophia Brandenburg, the Salutatorian. God's blessings to the entire class as they embark on this new adventure.

TUITION ASSISTANCE DRIVE

Over 158 years ago, St. Paul's Lutheran Church opened its school doors and we have been a cornerstone in this community ever since. It is especially important today that a Christian education is accessible to everyone. For this reason, we have extended the tuition assistance drive in the hopes that we can help make this a reality for more families. After all, "if we don't teach the children to follow Jesus, the world will teach them not to". There are still lots of envelopes left! If you feel so moved, please grab an envelope off the giving board in the school lobby, fill it with the corresponding dollar amount and drop it off in the office. Thank you!



NEW MEMBER CLASSES STARTED LAST WEEK!

Pastor Koeppen just started a new session of Faith & Membership classes. The classes meet on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at the school. If you are interested in becoming a member or if you know someone else who might be, please call the church office at 932-0312 ASAP.

VOTER'S ASSEMBLY MEETING

The regular May Voter's Meeting is scheduled for this **Sunday, May 22nd 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 .

PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL



The 2022 Prairieview Fall Festival will be **Sept. 9th & 10th**. We are collecting books again for the book booth. (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.



The church and school office will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day. After that, summer office hours will be 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Monday through Friday.

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 **this Sunday, May 22nd**. 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 with any questions. We hope to see you there!

"THE PARABLES OF JESUS" HOME BIBLE STUDY

Jesus' parables are timeless and powerful. Their characters are memorable: the Good Samaritan, the shepherd who searches for the lost sheep, the noble man who invites society's outcasts to his banquet after the elite turn him down. Here are extraordinary insights and illustrations explaining 11 parables Jesus told on His way from Galilee to His death in Jerusalem. You will "see" the stories come alive through Middle Eastern eyes. **Pastor David Bottorff will lead participants through this Bible study each fourth Tuesday at 7pm at his and Marilyn's home at 1573 Surrey Drive in Bourbonnais with food served afterwards.** Please call 815-304-4553 if you would like to come to this home Bible study. They meet again on **Tuesday, May 24th**.

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 this **Sunday, May 22nd**. Please join us to thank God and Mr. Hess for his many years of faithful service to our school.

BE THE CHURCH 2022

Be The Church Local Mission Week is coming soon to St. Paul's. **June 11th - 15th** there will be opportunities for 7th-12th graders to do service projects in our community and at St. Paul's church and school. There will be a variety of projects each day - from landscape work to cleaning to painting to blanket tying to care box packing to helping at Vacation Bible School. There will be many opportunities to serve while hanging out with other youth and adults. All current 6th graders through high school grads and even college students and adults are invited to participate in Be The Church Local Mission Week. You can participate as much or as little as your schedule allows because all projects will be local and we do not require a full week commitment. Come participate in any of or all the days of Mission Week. The cost to participate is \$25 and will cover the cost of food and extra fun. You can find participation forms and a sign-up sheet at the VBS sign-up table or contact Sarah Cherry at 815-651-6864 or sarahcherry30@yahoo.com.

May 22nd will be the last Sunday School until after Labor Day. We will be hosting Family Sunday School several times throughout the summer. Details to follow.

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 11th, 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 11th. 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.

LWML SERVANT EVENT

LWML will once again be collecting used eye glasses, sun glasses and eye glass cases for MOST Ministries (Mission Opportunities - Short Term). The glasses will be cleaned, sorted and used at vision clinics on various mission trips. The people being served are excited to receive a new pair of glasses whenever the mission teams arrive in their villages. Many times they walk several miles just to receive a new pair of glasses. Please bring your contributions to the school site and drop them in the box marked EYEGASSES FOR MOST MINISTRIES. There will also be a box by the elevator at the church outside the sanctuary. Glasses will be collected from **June 1st - June 30th**. Thank you for your generosity and your willingness to "Serve the Lord with Gladness"!

COUNTY FAIR ORGANIZER

August 3rd -7th is this year's Kankakee County Fair. This will be the last year that Dee Cordes will organize St. Paul's fair booth. She is willing to have a new person work through the process with her this year so they can be prepared for that responsibility for the summer of 2023. This could be used toward partnership hours for school families. Volunteers will also be needed to work the booth this year. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please call the church office at 932-0312 or Dee Cordes at 212-0405 (cell) or 304-5002 (home).



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BACK!!

VBS is coming back **Sunday, June 12th through Wednesday, June 15th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm** 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 the 4th day, we will wrap up the adventure with a mystery family event.

There will be a registration table set up in the cafeteria between services on May 22nd and May 29th so stop by to sign your child up for a week of fun. There are volunteer registration forms as well if you'd like to help out. 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!

BUILDING FUND PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS

Just a friendly reminder that all payments made to the building fund through June 30, 2022 will be applied to the principal of the loan. Please consider using tax refunds/mandatory distributions towards a payment to this fund. Thank you for your consideration.

INSTALLATION WEEKEND

All new Board Members and Directors will be installed on **Saturday, June 4th and Sunday, June 5th** at the worship service they attend. Present officers and board members will be rededicated.

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

On **Sunday, June 5th**, the Youth are hosting a Car Wash While You Worship fundraiser. For a donation you can drop off your keys as you enter church and the youth will wash your car while you worship and return your car to the parking spot all clean and ready for you as you leave worship.



OLD TOWEL DONATION

Car washes use so many towels that no matter how many we have, it never seems to be enough. So, if you have old towels you would like to donate to the youth for car washes, please drop them off at the downtown church or school location.

PRAIRIEVIEW GOLF OUTING

Come join the fun or sponsor a hole at the **33rd Annual Prairieview Golf Outing on Friday, June 10th**. The \$75 fee includes green fee, cart, dinner by The Longbranch, range balls, lunch, and 2 free drink tickets. Noon Shotgun Start! Awards and door prizes! Register by June 1st.

A \$150 donation will feature your company at a hole, on a promotional flyer, on our website and Facebook, and in our Annual Report.

Call 815.269.2970 or go to www.prairieviewlutheran.com (use the Donation tab and select Golf Participant or Golf Sponsor in the drop-down box).

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE
May 14th & 15th

Worship Attendance:

Sat., 5:00 pm	62
Sun., 8:30 am	105
Sun, 11:05 am	47
WEEKEND TOTAL	214

Adult Bible Class	10
Youth Bible Class	12
Children's Sunday School	18

Offerings Given

General	\$11,374.05
Building	.\$2,037.00
School Ops	\$280.00

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Roger Drinnon

Liturgist: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Organist/Pianist: 5:00: Nadine Engel 8:30: Nadine Engel

Audio/Visual: 8:30: Todd Engel 11:05: Melody Trudeau

Live Streaming & Recording:
Matt Callan, Tom Stirnaman, Joshua Cherry

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

Lay Readers: 5:00: Audra Taylor
8:30: John Veers
11:05: Benjamin Kubal

Acolytes: 8:30: Madison LaMontagne, Haley O'Keefe
11:05: Lex and Emma Bourassa

Trustees: 5:00: Terry Treece
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

Contemporary Service Worship Team:

Leah Bohlmann, Isaac Fabbro, Jacob Rowe, Matt Callan, Bill and Diane Dyche, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Ellana Turrell

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, May 22	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:50 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 12:30 pm	Worship - Traditional Retirement Reception for Mr. Hess Adult & Youth Bible Class Children's Sunday School Worship - Contemporary Voters Meeting	(Bourb) (Bourb) (Bourb) (Bourb) (Bourb) (Bourb)
Mon, May 23			
Tue, May 24	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Adult Bible Class Faith & Membership Class	(Downtown) (Bourb)
Wed, May 25		PTL Picnic	(Bourb)
Thur, May 26		LAST DAY OF SCHOOL EARLY DISMISSAL 11:30 am	
Fri, May 27			
Sat, May 28	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i>	(Downtown)
Sun, May 29	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> Adult & Youth Bible Class Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i>	(Bourb) (Bourb) (Bourb)

CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE (815-932-0312)

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