

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - March 18th & 19th

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.

"THE SUPREMACY OF CHRIST"

When: Every Sunday at 9:50 am
Location: Room 132

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

What is the most important thing in your life? Career, family, friends? While each of these are good gifts of God in our life, there is one person who reigns supreme in our lives as Christians. Please join us as we journey through the Letter to the Hebrews and explore how Christ is supreme over all things in our lives.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Don't leave FREE money on the table! If you have a Thrivent insurance policy or annuity product, you may be eligible to choose where Thrivent distributes a portion of its charitable outreach funding. **Call 1-800-THRIVENT (847-4836) by March 31st to direct your Choice Dollars to St. Paul's.**

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your cards, memorial donations, love and support during this difficult time. We appreciate your continued prayers and are grateful for our church family.

Sincerely, the Family of Marcia Lemenager

THIS SUNDAY IS MITE SUNDAY

The LWML's mission grant for March is Lutheran Bible Translators (LBT). The majority of the Subula people of Cameroon are Muslims. A New Testament was translated into their language 40 years ago with no real difference. About five years ago, a revival happened. The Subula people are eager for a revised version of the New Testament and for the Old Testament to be translated. LBT has requested \$15,000 to translate fifteen chapters of Scripture to put God's Word in the hands of the Subula people.



SPRING FUNDRAISER RESULTS

Our 30th Annual Spring Auction & Pork Chop Dinner was March 11th and it was a huge success! We are overwhelmed by the support and generosity of our school families, congregation members and community! THANK YOU to everyone who came out on Saturday and to those who contributed items or money to the event. It was an amazing night of fun and fellowship!

† Over 950 meals were bought and served on Saturday, including 100 meals donated to local veterans, residents of Harbor House and Prince Home, and first responders from the Bourbonnais Fire Department and the Bradley Police and Fire Departments.

† We received over 200 donated items for our silent auction from congregation members, school families, and local businesses! We thank you and are in awe of your great generosity toward the school.

† We raised \$1,788 in THE RACE TO SHAVE FACE for Mr. Ferrebee and Pastor Drinnon.

† About 50 volunteers helped us during the event, in addition to the 12 committee

members who have been working on this event since last October.

† Our goal was \$30,000. We raised \$55,700!! All profits will go toward 10 new SMART boards for K - 8th grade, teacher stipends for classroom supplies, future PTL events, and more!

A huge THANK YOU to God for his work in us, and to all those who diligently prayed for our team of parents and teachers who made this event possible.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY
CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT



The Chamber Orchestra from Concordia University Chicago, under the direction of Dr. Maurice Boyer, will perform a concert at our school on

Monday, March 27th at 7 pm as part of the ensemble's Spring Tour. The concert is open to the public. Admission is free.

The Chamber Orchestra is the newest touring ensemble at Concordia University Chicago, blessing audiences with music made to the glory of God. For more information on the Chamber Orchestra and its tours and concerts, visit

<https://www.cuchicago.edu/academics/colleges/college-of-theology-arts--humanities/division-of-arts/music/music-ensembles/chamber-orchestra>.

“CHRISTIANS IN A WOKE WORLD”

When: Every Sunday at 9:50 am

Location: Room 131

Teacher: Pastor Koeppen

“Woke” is a term used commonly today to refer to being “awake” as opposed to “asleep.” If you are not “woke” you are asleep to issues of the day. To be “woke” means to be aware of and actively attentive to important societal facts and issues (especially issues of racial and social justice). On Sunday, March 5th, we started a Sunday morning Bible class using a study by Rev. Paul Dare titled: **“Christians In A Woke World.”**

This is how Pastor Dare describes the study: ***A few years ago, I noticed our society had changed. Being a victim seemed to be in vogue. People were being “cancelled.” Words like woke, social justice, systemic racism, privilege, and critical race theory became part of mainstream society. While many pundits and politicians have now begun to voice their concerns about this new ideology of “wokeness” and its impact on society, as a pastor, I’m also deeply concerned about the impact this ideology has on a person’s relationship with Christ. After spending considerable time in study, Scripture, and prayer, the result is “Christians in a Woke World,” a Bible Study that analyzes “wokeness” from a Biblical perspective. Above all, what***

this study reveals is God’s answer to the challenge of “wokeness.” He calls His people to demonstrate courage in the face of challenges, confess the faith and above all, share the love of His Son, Jesus, with all people.

This is not a study to attack any particular political party. Instead it is a study to consider a particular ideology and how we as Christians (and as a church) can respond in courage, confession, and love. We hope to see you there! ~Pastor Karl Koeppen

“GOSPEL OF MARK” BIBLE STUDY

When: 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 6-8 pm

Location: Resource Room

Teacher: Pastor Drinnon

Mark’s gospel is traditionally symbolized with a lion – recounting the first verses of the gospel, “The voice of one crying aloud in the wilderness.” In Mark, we see Christ coming to inaugurate the Kingdom of God through the preaching and teaching of who He is – the One who will be the ransom for many. So join us to dig deeper into Scripture and to grow in knowledge, faith, and service to our Lord Jesus Christ. This Bible study will be livestreamed and the link will be available on the **St. Paul’s Lutheran Church & School Community Group** Facebook page.

WE COOK, YOU EAT!



Join us this **Wed., March 22nd** for our Lenten dinner, which will be served from **5:30 pm to 6:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall prior to the mid-week worship service.

The Board of Parish Education will be serving soups and sandwiches for a freewill donation. Please join us for this time of fellowship and stay to worship at 7 pm.



YOUTH MINISTRY

All 7th - 12th graders are invited to be a part of St. Paul’s Youth Ministry. We have Youth Nights on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month from 6 pm to 8 pm at the school campus.

In addition, 6th - 12th graders meet every Sunday morning for Youth Bible class between the church services (9:45-10:45 am). Extra events and fundraisers happen throughout the year so watch for details on other fun things coming up. Youth are encouraged to bring friends and adults are invited to get involved. Questions? Contact Sarah Cherry at sarahcherry30@yahoo.com or 815-651-6864.

MARCH FOR LIFE: SPRINGFIELD

The Illinois March for Life is **Tuesday, March 21st**.

- Matins service at Trinity Lutheran Church, Springfield (CID President Rev. Michael Mohr, preacher) at 10:30 a.m.
- Gather for the Rally on Capitol grounds at 12:00 p.m.
- Bring your pro-life gear and signs!
- Following the Rally, march with us around the Capitol at 1:00 p.m.

To make it easier, a charter bus has been rented for the day. Departure will be from Risen Savior Lutheran Church at 1881 W. Division in Manteno at 7 am. The bus will return to Manteno at 7 pm. The cost is \$10 per person and space is limited to the first 55 participants. To sign up to ride the bus, please go to: signupgenius.com/go/70A0549ADAF2FA1FF2-ilmarch. You may contact Pastor Cory Estby, NID Life Task Force Chairman, with any questions by emailing pastorestby@yahoo.com.



**WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT
THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

When: Every Tuesday at 9:30 am
Location: Fellowship Hall
Teacher: Roy Cordes

Join us as we look up Bible passages about the Holy Spirit's work among us. How much have you learned about the Holy Spirit in your Christian walk? There is so much to learn from God's Word. The truth of God is revealed in the pages of Scripture and in a study of the Father, the Son and the HOLY SPIRIT. There is nothing boring about digging into the depths of God's Grace and Truth. It is great to learn together and from one another! You may join us at any time - each lesson is independent of each other. Questions may be directed to Roy W. Cordes (815-304-5002).

- NEWS FROM PRAIRIEVIEW**
- * We are hiring in all departments. All job openings are posted at www.prairieviewlutheran.com/join-our-team
 - * We will be starting a new CNA class this summer at Prairieview. The class is free to Prairieview employees. Anyone who is interested is encouraged to apply for a position now. We have openings for activity aides, dining services staff, housekeepers and resident aides.
 - * For more information, call 815-269-2970.

TABEA RUMMAGE SALE

We are now accepting donations for our semi-annual rummage sale. The spring sale will be **Thurs. & Fri., April 27th & 28th** from 8 am to 4 pm in the downtown gym. You may leave your treasures by the gym doors on Saturdays before the 5 pm service or you may schedule a time to drop off or pick up with Carol Ginger (815-922-5525) or Pat Baker (708-772-0933). Please DO NOT bring items to the school location. We respectfully ask that all donated clothing is clean. We cannot accept TVs or computers. The proceeds from our sales help purchase much needed supplies such as candles, wine, wafers, robes and other necessities that help enhance all church services. We thank you for your donations! May God bless you and your families for helping so faithfully.



OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE	
March 11 th & 12 th	
<u>Worship Attendance:</u>	
Saturday, 5 pm	84
Sunday, 8:30 am	125
Sunday, 11:05 am	83
Weekend Total	292
Wed., Mar. 15	60
Adult Bible Class	30
Youth Bible Class	13
Children's Sunday School	31



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March 11 th & 12 th	
Offerings Given (including Wed., Mar 8th):	
General	\$10,312.25
Building	.\$1,700.00
School Ops	\$1,362.50

SERVING IN GOD’S HOUSE TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Karl Koeppen

Liturgist: Rev. Roger Drinnon

Organist: 5:00: Aaron Heldt 8:30: June Schmidt

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

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

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Robert Carruthers
8:30: Greg Deck, Rich Engel, Kevin Kurtz, Hill Love
11:05: Bruce Clark

Lay Readers: 5:00: Rich Nordmeyer
8:30: John Veers
11:05: Karen Beatty

Acolytes: 8:30: Aidan Lavoie, Carter Stell
11:05: Joshua & Natalie Cherry

Trustees: 5:00: Jeff Johnson
8:30: Brian Porter
11:05: Greg Wheeler

Ushers: 5:00: Jim Sharper, Dawn Marie Tierney, Rob Wood
8:30: Nick Baudino, Scott Styck, Chris Tomblin, Steve Weith
11:05: Mike Callan, Dan Friesner, Bill Burger

Contemporary Service Song Leaders: Debbie Turrell, Ellana Turrell

Extra Measure Band: Matt Callan, Bill & Diane Dyche, Duane Ferrebee, Scott Moore, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun , Mar. 19	8:30 am 9:50 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb) Adult & Youth Bible Studies (Bourb) Children’s Sunday School (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb)
Mon , Mar. 20	7:00 pm	<i>FIRST DAY OF SPRING BREAK</i> Church Council Meeting (Bourb)
Tue , Mar. 21	9:30 am 12:00 pm	Adult Bible Class (Downtown) Illinois March for Life (Springfield)
Wed , Mar. 22	5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Lenten Dinner (Soups/Sandwiches) (Downtown) Lenten Worship Service (Downtown)
Thur , Mar. 23	6:00 pm	Mark Bible Study (Bourb)
Fri , Mar. 24		<i>LAST DAY OF SPRING BREAK</i>
Sat , Mar. 25	7:30 am 9:00 am 5:00 pm	Men’s Bible Breakfast (Riverside) LWML Spring Board Meeting (Downtown) Worship - Traditional (Downtown)
Sun , Mar. 26	8:30 am 9:50 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 6:00 pm	Worship - Traditional (Bourb) Adult & Youth Bible Studies (Bourb) Children’s Sunday School (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary (Bourb) Youth Night (Bourb)

CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICE (815-932-0312)
Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.