

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - March 25th & 26th

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.



HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday, April 6th

7:00 pm

Good Friday, April 7th

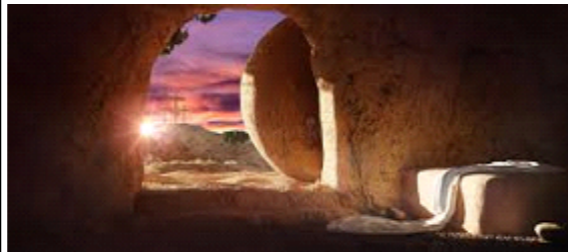
12:05 pm and 7:00 pm (Tenebrae)

NO SERVICE on Sat., April 8th

Easter Sunday, April 9th

6:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:00 am

*All of these services will be at the
downtown church.*



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You

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. Ferree 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 29th** 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 Fellowship will be serving lasagna, salad, and garlic bread. A freewill donation will be taken to benefit St. Matthew’s Soup Kitchen in Chicago. 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.

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).

EASTER BREAKFAST

The youth will be serving **p a n c a k e s ,** sausage, egg casseroles & **m o r e** in Fellowship Hall

from 7:00 am to 8:30 am. A freewill donation will be collected to help with the 2025 National Youth Gathering expenses. Come celebrate our risen Lord in fellowship!!



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 18th & 19th	
Worship Attendance:	
Saturday, 5 pm	72
Sunday, 8:30 am	109
Sunday, 11:05 am	68
Weekend Total	249
Wed., Mar. 22	64
Adult Bible Class	26
Youth Bible Class	13
Children's Sunday School	22
Offerings Given (including Wed., Mar 15th):	
General	\$13,240.89
Building	\$847.00
School Ops	\$297.50

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the **LORD.**



SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

- Preacher:** Rev. Roger Drinnon
- Liturgist:** Rev. Karl Koeppen
- Organist:** 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, Layna Rahn
- Lay Ministers:** 5:00: Robert Carruthers
8:30: Greg Deck, Rich Engel, Kevin Kurtz, Hill Love
11:05: Bruce Clark
- Lay Readers:** 5:00: Audra Taylor
8:30: Loree Yoakum
11:05: Sharla Ronchetto
- Acolytes:** 8:30: Audrey Nordmeyer, Archie Schutters
11:05: Natalie Cherry, Zoey Goranson
- Trustees:** 5:00: Mike Hatch
8:30: Nathan Raloff
11:05: Jim Trudeau
- 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:** Mellody McDonald, Heidi Ostrowski
- Extra Measure Band:** Matt Callan, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Scott Moore, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Ellana Turrell

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, Mar. 26	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional <i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Adult & Youth Bible Studies <i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Children's Sunday School <i>(Bourb)</i>
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary <i>(Bourb)</i>
	6:00 pm	Youth Night <i>(Bourb)</i>
Mon, Mar. 27		SCHOOL RESUMES
	7:00 pm	Concordia Chamber Orchestra Concert <i>(Bourb)</i>
Tue, Mar. 28	9:30 am	Adult Bible Class <i>(Downtown)</i>
Wed, Mar. 29	5:30 pm	Lenten Dinner (Lasagna) <i>(Downtown)</i>
	7:00 pm	Lenten Worship Service <i>(Downtown)</i>
Thur, Mar. 30		
Fri, Mar. 31		
Sat, Apr. 1	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion (Downtown)</i>
Sun, Apr. 2		PALM SUNDAY
	8:30 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion (Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Adult & Youth Bible Studies <i>(Bourb)</i>
	9:50 am	Children's Sunday School <i>(Bourb)</i>
	11:05 am	Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion (Bourb)</i>

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