

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School**  
**Announcements - July 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

**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.



**“CHRIST, THE  
CONQUERING  
LAMB: A BIBLE  
STUDY ON  
REVELATION”**

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

***Location: Room 130***

***Teacher: Pastor Drinnon***

Revelation is a notoriously difficult book to study. Many interpretations of the book fly about trying to make sense of its vivid imagery and applying that imagery to recent events. Revelation is a series of visions granted to John the Apostle on the island on Patmos. The purpose of these visions to John is not to scare him but to give John comfort as he is in exile. The key to the book of Revelation is Christ – chiefly Christ coming in power to deal with sin in power. The ascended Lord reigns in power and uses his power for the good of His people. Revelation gives comfort that good, in the end, overcomes evil. The difficult passages involving violence underscore the seriousness with which God deals with sin and the totality of His judgment. This Bible study gives you the tools to read John's apocalypse and the comforting message it brings: grace given in water, blood, and spirit.

**PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL**



This year's Fall Festival will be **September 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>**. They are planning to make this a spectacular event to celebrate Prairieview's 50th anniversary! Sign-up sheets have been posted at the school and at the downtown church to help with our used book booth. We are in particular need of people to help haul the books there, set up the booth, and then pack up the leftover books afterward. Our book booth is a big undertaking but many hands make light work.

There are also donation boxes at both sites. We take hard covers, paperbacks, children's, fiction and nonfiction. Please, no textbooks. If you have any questions or need a pick up from your home, call Jeanne Vilt at 815-932-9855 or text her at 815-216-0240 or call or text Nancy Campbell at 815-592-4273.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**FOR OUR CHURCH PICNIC!!**

On **Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>**, we will be having one consolidated worship service outside at the school at 10am, followed by a potluck lunch and then games, dunk tank, bounce house and more! All school and church families and alumni are encouraged to come and celebrate with us as we commemorate our 165<sup>th</sup> year as a church and 160<sup>th</sup> year as a school!

Our incoming 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be receiving their Bibles and our new staff members will be introduced at this service as well! There are so many reasons to join us!!!

**PROJECT COMPASSION &  
GABRIEL'S CALLERS**

Would you consider joining? Our only agenda is to share God's love and to care for the well-being of our members, especially our shut-ins, those grieving, or anyone with special needs. We meet quarterly, at which time we have devotions and prayer and we share our ministry over a meal. Don't worry about whether or not you have the skills; we will train you.

Project Compassion Visitors & Gabriel's Callers will have their quarterly meeting at Chicago Dough on **Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** Anyone interested in becoming a visitor or caller is welcome to attend.

**PHILIPPIANS CONFERENCE**

On **Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**, St. Paul's will be hosting a Philippians conference in partnership with the local circuits of the Northern Illinois District and the LCMS Office of National Mission - Stewardship.

The Philippians Conference gathers pastors and lay leaders from the congregational level to spend a day together looking at the theology and practice of stewardship. The goal of the event is to ground congregational stewardship on the solid foundation of Scripture and Confession. The session will also investigate the need for the local congregation to assess, strengthen and even change their local stewardship culture. The highlights of these events are that the congregation gets a fresh perspective on stewardship and leaves the event with one or two action items to put into practice immediately.

This event is free and it is open to everyone. Every human being is a steward by virtue of creation and every child of God is a steward of the Gospel by virtue of their baptismal identity.

The event begins at 9 am and ends at 2 pm. All questions about the event may be directed to the facilitator, Rev. Dr. Nathan Meador at meador@swd.lcms.org or call 414-464-8101.

### LANDSCAPING DOWNTOWN

In conjunction with the youth's "Be The Church" mission, we are going to remove the old dirty river rock along the west side of the downtown site facing Dearborn Street. It will take an army of laborers to remove and lift those tons of rock into a dump truck. The project will begin at **1:00 pm on Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**. If you can help, bring garden rakes, buckets, and shovels or anything else useful for removing and loading rock. If you have access to a Bobcat, that would be extremely helpful too. We also will be cutting down the dead tree on the corner of Merchant and Dearborn. ***School parents, come meet our new principal and earn 1.5 partnership hours for every hour worked.*** For more information, call Bill Balgeman at 815-937-4947.

Dear St. Paul's Congregation,

I would like to say thank you for all your thoughts and prayers before, during, and after my recent surgery. I appreciate all your thoughtfulness and feel truly blessed. I am happy to say that I am cancer free.

Sincerely, Linda Oosterhouse



**"BE THE CHURCH"**  
**Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>**  
9 am - Noon: Phil's Friends Pack Party at Church campus  
1 - 4 pm: Shopping scavenger hunt for Operation Christmas Child - Meet at St. Paul's School Campus  
Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>  
1 - 4 pm: Shut-in Visits - Meet at St. Paul's School Campus

### YOUTH MINISTRY **BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH!**

Summer is coming to a close. Come join us on **Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>** at the school to celebrate another successful year of youth ministry, a summer of "Be the Church" mission opportunities, and the upcoming year.

**4-5:30 pm:** Last year's youth group - come celebrate last year!

**5:30-8 pm:** Welcome 7<sup>th</sup> graders, new youth, and all parents.

### NEW BIBLE STUDY

**Starting Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 am**, Roy Cordes will lead a weekly Bible study on the Book of Exodus. We will meet downtown in Fellowship Hall for one hour every Tuesday. Exodus starts with the children of Israel in Egypt under the rule of Joseph, then an experience of slavery, being led into the desert to Mount Sinai for the giving of the Ten Commandments and the design and rules for the worship experience in the tabernacle. We are also God's "chosen" people and can learn from this Old Testament experience. Please join us for "TEN.ON TUESDAY!"

### PRAYER WALK

The new school year is almost here and it is time to cover our school with prayer. Bring the family or come by yourself between the worship services on **Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>** and spend time in prayer for the students, teachers, administration, staff, and the school. To participate, look for Debbie Turrell or Sarah Cherry in the cafeteria for details.

### CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

If your child is beginning or finishing the confirmation program this year (typically 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders) and they do NOT attend our school, please watch your mail for a letter concerning confirmation classes. If you do not receive a letter by Aug 5<sup>th</sup>, please call the church office at 932-0312.

### "KNIGHT FOR CHRIST"

#### ANNUAL BENEFIT AUCTION

Christ Lutheran High School in Buckley is hosting its annual auction on **Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>** at the Ford County Fairgrounds in Melvin. The silent auction will begin at 4 pm. Dinner, consisting of strolling food stations, will be from 4 pm to 6 pm followed by the live auction. All proceeds benefit Christian education at Christ Lutheran High School. Reservations are \$50. If you are interested in attending or simply donating, please call the church office at 932-0312.

### NOW HIRING....

Our prayers have been answered but we have one more!! We have been blessed with outstanding new teachers for our 1st, 3rd, and 6th grade classes. Our resource teacher has decided to return. Our new principal, Brian Porter, officially started July 1<sup>st</sup>. We have hired a new assistant cook. Now.....we are looking for a soccer coach. If you are interested, please contact our new principal, Brian Porter, at 932-0312 or [bporter@stpaulslutheran.net](mailto:bporter@stpaulslutheran.net).



**SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

A letter has gone out to all school families with instructions on registration as well as a school supply list. Registration forms are now available on our website ([www.stpaulslutheran.net](http://www.stpaulslutheran.net)) and on Fast Direct and may be submitted electronically. If you would like to pick up hard copies of these forms or drop off your completed forms and/or any required physicals, dental or vision exams, the school office is open from 9:00 to 3:00 Tuesday through Thursday. Please contact Amber Olney at [aolney@stpaulslutheran.net](mailto:aolney@stpaulslutheran.net) or 815-932-0312 with any questions! **All registration materials must be submitted no later than Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**The orientation open house will be Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm to 7 pm. Please plan to bring all school supplies to the orientation. School begins Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> with early dismissal at 11:30.**

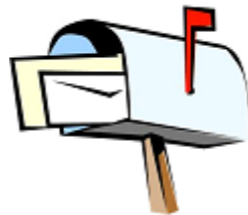
**FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

Leave the cooking and cleaning to someone else and join us for some food and fellowship! Our next fellowship dinner will be on **Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** at Chicago Dough. Everyone is welcome!

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYER & PRAISE BONFIRE**

Our Youth Group will be hosting a back-to-school bonfire and sing-along at the school on **Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm**. We will sing worship songs and hymns and spend time in prayer for St. Paul's school, all school children and teachers in our congregation wherever they may go to school, and the upcoming school year. It will be a time of seeking God's will for the coming school year.

**COLLEGE & MILITARY ADDRESSES**



Please use the enclosed form to update the church office on military members and college student addresses for the fall so that we may stay connected to them as they continue their journey. Thank you!

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

The Board of Trustees is looking for additional people to open and close the school and church for all services. The volunteers' responsibilities at the downtown church would also include operating the bells. If you are interested, please call or text Jeff Johnson at 708-818-7016 or email him at [jarthurj62@yahoo.com](mailto:jarthurj62@yahoo.com).

**TABEA ALTAR GUILD RUMMAGE SALE**

We are now accepting donations for our semi-annual rummage sale. The fall sale will be **Thursday and Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>** 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 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**

July 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

**Worship Attendance:**

Saturday, 5:00 pm	66
Sunday, 8:30 am	85
Sunday, 11:05 am	73
<b>Weekend Total</b>	<b>224</b>

**Adult Bible Class** ..... 13

**Offerings Given**

<b>General</b>	<b>\$12,409.26</b>
<b>Building</b>	<b>\$937.00</b>
<b>School Ops</b>	<b>\$345.00</b>

**LWML REPORT**

**ON EYE GLASS DONATIONS**

During the month of June, the LWML collected 81 eyeglasses, 35 sun glasses, 58 eye glass cases, 9 cloth cases, and 7 eye glass cleaners! The LWML would like to thank all those who donated items to this ministry. The glasses were delivered to the MOST Ministries representative on July 20th at the LWML Board Meeting. The glasses will be distributed to people during the MOST Ministries VBS programs. Thanks again for your contributions to this important ministry.

## SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

**Preacher:** Rev. Karl Koeppen

**Liturgist:** Rev. Roger Drinnon

**Organist:** 5:00: Aaron Heldt                      8:30: Nadine Engel

**A/V:** 8:30: Todd Engel                      11:05: Josh Cherry

**Live Streaming & Recording:** Matt Callan, Todd Engel, Quinn Styck, Trevor Smith

**Lay Ministers:** 5:00: Bob Carruthers  
8:30: Ken Capps, Greg Deck, Rich Engel, Brent Eden  
11:05: Kevin Kurtz

**Lay Readers:** 5:00: Ken Ebert  
8:30: Ruth Fabbro  
11:05: Karen Beatty

**Acolytes:** 8:30: Audrey Nordmeyer, Ava Veasey  
11:05: Daphne & Delilah Sexton

**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: Bill Burger, Mike Callan, Keith Christensen, Dan Friesner

**Contemporary Service Song Leaders:** Melody McDonald

**Extra Measure Band:** Matt Callan, Bill Dyche, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone, Ellana Turrell

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

<b>Sun, July 28</b>	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am 1:00 pm	Worship - Traditional (Bourb) Adult Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary (Bourb) <i>Be The Church</i> Service Event (Downtown)
<b>Mon, July 29</b>		
<b>Tue, July 30</b>		
<b>Wed, July 31</b>		
<b>Thur, Aug 1</b>		
<b>Fri, Aug 2</b>		
<b>Sat, Aug 3</b>	5:00 pm	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Downtown)
<b>Sun, Aug 4</b>	8:30 am 9:50 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb) Adult Bible Study (Bourb) Worship - Contemporary - <i>Communion</i> (Bourb)