

St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School
Announcements - June 13th & 14th

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.



VBS 2026 IS THIS WEEK!

All children entering 4-year-old preschool through 6th grade are invited to spend the week with us at Vacation Bible School **Monday, June 15th through Friday, June 19th from 5:30 to 8 pm!**

Rainforest Falls promises a week of wonder as kids explore the powerful nature of God! Through life-changing Bible stories, the coolest animal buddies, and joyful worship, they'll discover who God is and how to stay rooted in His love. Scan the QR code to register your kids! It's not too late!



SUNDAY'S PRAYER CENTER

Have you ever ended a conversation with someone by saying, "I will pray for you."? Did you remember to pray for them? The Prayer Center used on Sundays before and after both services gives you the opportunity to wear that reminder on your wrist or use it as a bookmark in your Bible. You are invited to pick up a prayer request or write out a prayer request for yourself or others. You can write a request on a wristband with a prayer for you, your friend or relative or a situation that needs to be resolved by God. If you take a wristband or bookmark it will remind you to pray each day through the week and ensure that you keep your promise when you tell someone, "I will pray for you!"

I THESSALONIANS 5:17
"Pray without ceasing!"

LAST CALL FOR VBS VOLUNTEERS:
JOIN OUR RAINFOREST CREW!

Station Leaders: Help lead Rooted Bible Adventure, Treetop Treats, Wild Games, or Imagination Station.

Crew Leaders: Help lead a crew of PreK-6th grade kids through each of the stations, guiding them through the activities and lessons

Spotlight VBS Creator: Walk around between all of the stations and groups taking pictures. Put together a slide show for the closing each day.

Sing & Play Lagoon: Help lead the songs by learning the dance ahead of time and performing them on stage during opening and closing each day.

Play Dr. Flutterby in the Opening Skits

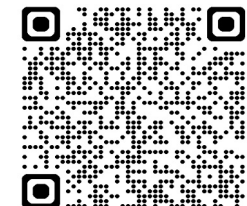
All volunteers are asked to complete the VBS Volunteer Application by scanning the QR code. Please also plan to attend the Volunteer Orientation this Sunday June 14th 12:30-2pm (lunch included). We will also be finishing the decorating and set-up from 2 pm to 4 pm if you are able to stay. If you have questions, please contact Liz Lesch at 815-263-0537.

BE THE CHURCH 2026
MISSION: BEST VBS EVER!

This year for our **Be the Church** local mission project, we will be working together to support the St. Paul's Vacation Bible School program, **Rainforest Falls**. VBS is far more than just a week in June. Lots of work goes into preparing for the week, and each of the students and volunteers involved in VBS need your prayers and support.

~ **Be a VBS Prayer Buddy & Sponsor a Book of Psalms for a student!** - This year's VBS curriculum includes a Book of Psalms for students to mark our Sticky Scripture messages throughout the week and take home to share with their family. Prayer Buddies will help cover the cost of the books (\$3.99 each), write a message in the book to the student they sponsor, and pray for that student during VBS week and beyond. You may bring a check to the office or drop it in the collection plate this weekend.

~ **Join the decorating crew!** - Help us transform the school into a rainforest!
Sun. June 14th, 2-4pm - Set-up gym & classrooms
Sat. June 20th, 9-noon - Post-VBS clean-up



MEMORIAL SERVICE

The congregation is invited to honor the lives of Kris Duchene's parents, Jerry Malburg (who passed away on March 14, 2020) and Lori Malburg (who passed away on February 12, 2026). A memorial service will be held from 1pm to 4 pm on **Saturday, June 20th at Davenport Funeral Home** in Barrington, Illinois. Please keep Kris and her family in your prayers.



Mr. Porter is hiring for an **After School Care Program** position at St. Paul's Lutheran School for this coming school year.

Regular Hours: Monday through Friday from 2:45 pm to 4:30 pm
Half-Day Hours: 8 days per year will require an earlier start time at 11:45 am

This is a big priority and we would like to fill this position as soon as possible. If you are interested or know someone who might be, you can apply by emailing Mr. Porter at bporter@stpaulslutheran.net or contacting the school office directly.

THE SERVING CHRIST:

GOSPEL OF MARK

When: Every Tuesday, 9:45 am
Where: Fellowship Hall
Leader: Roy W. Cordes

In five weeks we will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of freedom for the United States of America. In those same five weeks we will use the Tuesday morning Bible class to celebrate 2,000 years of freedom from the power of sin, death and the devil. Using the last three chapters of the Gospel of Mark we will follow our Suffering Servant, Jesus Christ.

We will share details about His violent arrest, the disciples abandoning Him, Peter's denial, His unfair trial, the mocking and cruel soldiers, the verdict of death by crucifixion, the ridicule while hanging on the cross, His death and burial, and after three days – His Resurrection!

Now would be a good time to join the Bible class, using verse-by-verse study to share the details of Holy Week and apply the Scripture lessons to our lives today. Join us for one hour of Bible study and prayer through the first Tuesday in July. Class will resume on the Tuesday after Labor Day with a new study entitled, "Is The Devil Real?"

LWML SERVANT EVENT



LWML will once again be collecting used eye glasses, sun glasses and eye glass cases for MOST Ministries.

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 "LWML Donations". 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"!

SPECIAL VOTERS MEETING

Please mark your calendars for **June 28th**. We will be having a special voters meeting at **12:30 pm** in the school gym to finish the discussions started at the regular voters meeting on May 17th.

PHIL'S FRIENDS

Phil's Friends Kankakee Hope Center will have service opportunities all summer long. We hope you will add volunteering at Phil's Friends to your summer to do list. See the insert for the June and July dates.

SUMMER TRIP ORDERING

What is TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)?

* Raise money by using gift cards to pay for everyday purchases. Choose from 750+ retailers, like Bass Pro, Dick's, Disney, DQ, Starbucks, Groupon, Royal Caribbean, Carnival, hotels, airlines, gas stations & more!

* Pay face value for gift cards. A portion of what you spend will go to St. Paul's and a portion will be applied to your school account for tuition, lunch or extended care. If you do not have children that attend St. Paul's, you may donate your share to a school family or to St. Paul's.

How do I order?

* Contact Julie (Salzman) Dummer at jdummer@stpaulslutheran.net or 815-530-7320. She will place orders weekly. Submit your request to her by Thursday for delivery no later than the following Friday.

* Install the RaiseRight app to order your gift cards or use it to download e-cards while you're waiting in line at your favorite stores. Call Julie for the code.



NEW WINDOWS BRING NEW BLESSINGS!

The St. Paul's Mission & Ministry Center, home of the Phil's Friends Kankakee Hope Center, has received an exciting upgrade with the installation of brand-new windows! This wonderful improvement was made possible through the generosity of district grants, memorial gifts, and faithful personal donors who believe in the ministry and mission of the Hope Center.

We are deeply thankful to everyone who contributed to this project. These new windows are not only beautiful, but they will also greatly improve the energy efficiency of the building and help keep the space more comfortable during the warm summer months as we will be using portable air conditioners to cool the spaces.

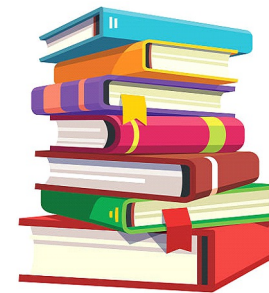
Every improvement to the Mission and Ministry Center and thus the Hope Center helps us create a welcoming and encouraging place for volunteers to come be the hands and feet of Christ to those facing cancer. Thank you for helping make this important update possible!



PRAIRIEVIEW FALL FESTIVAL

St. Paul's will once again be doing a used book booth at Prairieview's Fall Festival on **September 11th & 12th** and ***we are in need of books.*** We take hard covers, paperbacks, children's, fiction and nonfiction. Please, no textbooks. There are collection bins at both locations. At the school, you may leave your books in the labeled red donation box. At the church, there are labeled containers just inside the alley doors. If you have any questions, would like to arrange a time to drop off, or need to schedule a pick-up, please call Jeanne Vilt at 815-932-9855, call or text her at 815-216-0240, or call or text Nancy Campbell at 815-592-4273.

There will be sign-up sheets at both sites later in the summer to volunteer to work at the book booth, help set up, and help pack up at the end. We will also need homemade pies.



OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

June 6th & 7th

Worship Attendance:

Saturday, 5:00 pm	72
Sunday, 8:30 am	99
Sunday, 11:05 am	65
WEEKEND TOTAL	236

Offerings Given

General	\$23,573.48
Building	\$3,715.00
School Ops.	\$325.00
VBS	\$25.00

FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Leave the cooking and cleaning to someone else and join us for some food and fellowship! Each month, we visit a different restaurant and share a couple of hours eating and getting to know each other better. No special commitment is expected and these evenings are very casual – just come as you are when you are able. Everyone is invited! Our next fellowship dinner will be on **Friday, June 19th at 6:00 pm at Oliver's in West Kankakee.**



SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Guest Preacher: Rev. Matt Koenig

Liturgist: Rev. Karl Koeppen and Rev. Roger Drinnon

Organist: Nadine Engel

Lay Ministers: 5:00: Bob Carruthers
8:30: Ken Capps, Greg Deck, Rich Engel, John Veers
11:05: Bruce Clark

Lay Readers: 5:00: Georgia Hess
8:30: JoAnn Hess
11:05: Sharla Ronchetto

Acolytes: 8:30: Lucas Porter, Zachary Porter
11:05: Emma Davis, Luke Stirnaman

Trustees: 5:00: Terry Treece
8:30: Tom Stirnaman
11:05: Jim Trudeau

Ushers: 5:00: Keith Christensen, Pat Hatch, Terry Treece
8:30: Bill Balgeman, Jim Baron, Scott Styck
11:05: Dave Kesinger, Aric Turrell, Sean Turrell, Kim Williams

Contemporary Service Song Leaders: Isaac Fabbro, Ellana Turrell
Extra Measure Band: Matt Callan, Bill Dyché, Duane & Gail Ferrebee, Greg Ronchetto, Cindy Rubin, Jim Stone

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Sun, June 14	8:30 am 9:45 am 11:05 am 2:00 pm	Worship - Traditional Adult Bible Study Worship - Contemporary VBS Decorating	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i>
Mon, June 15	5:30 pm 7:00 pm	VBS Church Council Meeting	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i>
Tue, June 16	9:45 am 5:30 pm	<i>The Serving Christ: Gospel of Mark</i> VBS	<i>(Downtown)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i>
Wed, June 17	5:30 pm	VBS	<i>(Bourb)</i>
Thur, June 18	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	VBS Phil's Friends Walk-In	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Downtown)</i>
Fri, June 19	5:30 pm 6:00 pm	VBS Fellowship Dinner	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Oliver's, W. Kank)</i>
Sat, June 20	9:00 am 5:00 pm	VBS Clean-Up Worship - Traditional - Communion	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Downtown)</i>
Sun, June 21	8:30 am 9:45 am 11:05 am	Worship - Traditional - Communion Adult Bible Study Worship - Contemporary - Communion	<i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i> <i>(Bourb)</i>



The church office will be open
Monday through Friday
9:00am to 3:30pm.