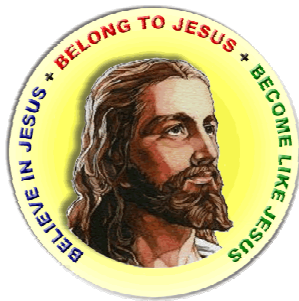


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Sunday Services 7:30 am & 10:00 am

(Winter Schedule September-May)

Sunday 8:30 am

(Summer Schedule May-September)

Sunday School 8:30 am September-May



*¹Now this is the commandment,
the statutes and the judgments
which the LORD your God
has commanded me to teach you,
that you might do them
in the land where you are going over to possess it,
²so that you and your son and your grandson
might fear the LORD your God,
to keep all His statutes and His commandments
which I command you, all the days of your life,
and that your days may be prolonged.”*

-- Deuteronomy 6:1-2

DO YOU HAVE ANY FAMILY HEIRLOOMS?

In many families, certain items of value
are passed down through the generations.
Do you have any items in your household
that belonged to your grandparents
or great-grandparents?
The most common item that families treasure
and pass on are pictures.
Who doesn't have a photograph
of their grandparents or great-grandparents?

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO PASS ON IN YOUR FAMILY?

Parents, what do you have that you treasure
and above all else want to pass on
in your family through the generations?
I can think of no greater treasure that I have
and that I want to pass on
to my children and grandchildren
than the blessing of faith.

THE "HEIRLOOM" OF FAITH

When the Israelites were about
to enter the Promised land of Canaan,
as they encamped on the eastern side
of the Jordan River,
God spoke to them through Moses
to instruct them on how
they were to live in the land.

God was about to give them a land of "milk and honey"
– that is, a fertile land
with abundant natural resources.
But the resources of the land alone
were not what would bring the Israelites
prosperity and a good life.
What mattered most
was a faith relationship with God.

God commanded Moses to teach the fathers
the commandments he received from God.
The commandments were meant
to define for the Israelites how they should
show their love for God and for their neighbor.
To obey God's commands
was to love God and love their fellow countryman
–the "Good Life".

FATHERS' DAY

As we celebrate Father's Day
on the third Sunday in June,
I would like to ask each father,...

What do you most want to pass on
to your children?
Are you learning the Word of God?
Are you living the Word of God?
Are you striving to pass on the faith
to your children

*"²so that you and your son and your grandson
might fear the Lord your God..."?*

Passing on a living faith, a thriving faith, is not accidental, but intentional.

It is accomplished when a godly father intentionally
learns and puts into practice
the Word of God in his family,
prays with his family,
worships with his family, and
is involved with his family in the church.

Material things, no matter how valuable, all pass away.
Only what is spiritual, of faith, last forever.
Give your children what lasts forever!

Calendar Dates to Remember

Monday, June 3

Board of Elders 7:30 pm

Tuesday, June 4

Board of Trustees 6:30 pm

Thursday, June 8

Worship w/HC 6:30 pm

Board of Education 7:30 pm

Wednesday, June 12

LWML Meeting 10:00 am

Thursday, June 13

Worship 6:30 pm w/HC

Monday, June 17

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Thursday, June 20

Worship 6:30 pm w/HC

Thursday, June 27

Worship 6:30 pm w/HC

Sunday, June 30

Church Council 10:15 am

REMINDER: Announcements for the bulletin are due by noon on Wednesdays. Announcements can be emailed to stpaulscascade@hotmail.com or call the church office 528-8094 or you can leave a hand written note and put in the holder outside of the office.

List of Homebound members to keep in our Prayers

Jean Dippel, Plymouth,
Doris Krahn, Plymouth,
Louella Raabe, Plymouth
Marion Hefter, & Sherry, Cascade
Cola Schneider, Cascade
Ken & Brenda Schultz, Cascade
Laura Reis, Plymouth



Great Marriages Upcoming Event Love on the Beach (5 Love Languages)

Friday, June 28, 2024

5:30 PM 7:30 PM

Register at: www.great-marriages.org/events

Join us for a romantic picnic dinner on the beach at King Park, then learn about the 5 Love Languages with your sweetheart. You will discover what your Love Language is, and how to speak your spouse or significant other's language. Enjoy a walk on the beach or trail as you discuss ways to speak each other's languages. Limited to 7 couples.

Location: Meet at King Park Pavilion, then we will head out to the beach

Speakers: Steve & Donna Schelfhout

Cost: \$20/person (includes picnic dinner)



2 Jeffrey Wright
3 Rachel Broetzmann
Jacob Arbuckle
6 James Wright
Ronald Schultz
9 Eva Haak
Morgan LaPorte
10 Jeanne Nonhof
Sharon Steinke
Dennis Dyken
13 Angela Griesmer
Dominic Kowalczyk II
14 Patti Zimmermann
18 Mark Jeske
19 Logan Beck
21 Abigail Horner
Lindsey Marquardt
Easton Marquardt
22 Jacob Block
24 Steve Helmer
26 Karen Marquardt
Lowell Kappel



11 Ken & Kathy Breit
17 Larry & Carrie Strassburg
22 Glen & Angela Griesmer
29 Terry & Sharon Steinke

Going to Church for the "Right" reasons.

We are called to attend church by God. We are to use our time and our blessings to strengthen our selves in our faith walk as well as lift others up who are struggling.

Other reasons we are to attend church is to fellowship with other believers who are to help us stay strong. The last thing we want to do is drive anybody away because they don't feel like that is happening in the church.

If you feel the church or its members are not living up to their end of the faith walk, we should be helping them, not tearing them down.

Please use your God giving talents to help build our church and continue the path of righteousness. We are here to do one thing and that's bring as many people to Jesus as we can before he comes back. Don't be caught sleeping.



Reminder: Service times are 7:30 am and 10:00 am on Sundays. Thursday Services 6:30 pm. Starting May 25 8:30 am Sundays.

New Minister

Recently a large seminar was held for ministers in training. Among the guests were many well-known motivational speakers. One such boldly approached the pulpit and, gathering the entire crowd's attention, said, "The best years of my life were spent in the arms of a woman that wasn't my wife!" The crowd was shocked! He followed up by saying, "And that woman was my mother!" The crowd burst into laughter and he gave his speech, which went over well.

About a week later one of the assistant ministers who had attended the seminar decided to use that joke in what was his first sermon to the congregation. As he shyly approached the pulpit one Sunday, he tried to rehearse the joke in his head. He was notably very nervous and getting to the microphone he said loudly, "The greatest years of my life were spent in the arms of another woman that was not my wife!" His congregation sat shocked.

After standing there for almost 10 seconds the pastor finally blurted out, "...and I can't remember who she was!"

Johnny's Dust

After church, Johnny tells his parents he has to go and talk to the minister right away. They agree, and the pastor greets the family.

"Pastor," Johnny says, "I heard you say today that our bodies came from the dust."

"That's right, Johnny, I did," he says.

"And I heard you say that when we die, our bodies go back to dust."

"Yes, I'm glad you were listening," the pastor replies. "Why do you ask?"

"Well you better come over to our house right away and look under my bed, 'cause there's someone either comin' or goin'!"

Family Caregiver Education Program

Offered 2x on **MON., JUNE 10, 2024** ~ Afternoon OR Evening Generations, 1500 Douglas Dr., Plymouth, WI 53073

Please select ONE of the sessions:

2:00 - 3:30 pm OR 5:00 - 6:30 pm (some families have members attend different sessions - if someone needs to stay with the loved one living with Dementia).

FREE Family Caregiver Education Program hosted by the Dementia Crisis Care Task Force in Sheboygan County. Signs of dementia include changes in behavior. At times, these changes can be difficult for family members to understand. This presentation provides basic information about dementia as well as strategies and communication tips for family caregivers when they are providing care for their loved ones living with dementia.

Neat Repeats is celebrating its 15th Anniversary with our biggest sale ever!

Tuesday 6/4 Everything in the Store is 15% Off
 Wednesday 6/5 Everything in the Store is 20% Off
 Thursday 6/6 Everything in the Store is 30% Off
 Friday 6/7 Everything in the Store is 40% Off
 Saturday 6/8 Everything in the Store is 50% Off

ST THOMAS ANNUAL EVENT: RUMMAGE SALE/BRAT FRY/BAKE SALE SILENT AUCTION

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. (RAIN OR SHINE) ST. THOMAS LUTHERAN CHURCH N4097 CTY. M CORNER of COUNTY TRUNKS M & N, WALDO (SOUTH OF HWY 28) Something for everyone and lots of bargains!://docs.google.com/document/d/1CUglwfmYKPSRw oMumGL9leqZ_kUfCxJsT25-S7Hbbd8/edit

QUARTERLY MEETING

April 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President, Todd Triebensee, 21 members were present.

Pastor Bidinger opened the meeting with prayer.

Annual Cemetery Meeting was held first. Roger Hintz reported Cemetery dollars invested at the end of 2023 is \$114,398.75 which is up from \$107,839.18 at the end of 2022. He volunteered to be Association Secretary of the St. Paul's Cascade Cemetery Association for three more years. Members unanimously approved him as .secretary.

Diane P. read the minutes of the January 21st meeting. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve.

Mike S. stated check book balance of \$4,437.42 is incorrect. After audit was complete, found that \$4,512.16 still needs to be paid back to Memorial Fund. Money was borrowed to pay general bills of insurance and payroll. Total dollars invested at Mersberger Investments is \$238,179.11. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to approve.

OFFICIAL ACTS: (01-01-24 – 03-31-24)

Deaths: Robert Hand 01-09-24

David Schultz 02-02-24

Jean Dippel 03-21-24

BOARD OF ELDERS:

A suggestion was made to purchase bibles and put them in pews with the hymnals. Approximate cost would be \$500 for two bibles in each pew. Members thought it would be a good idea. Elders to discuss at their upcoming meeting.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Need to reschedule work night to finish railing on parsonage deck.

Still waiting for quote to replace old circuit breaker in church.

Pastor is working with someone about what the cost would be to purchase sound bars for under TV's in church.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Steve O. reported two scholarships were given out. Brandon Schultz \$500 and Tricia Bidinger \$1,000. Because of low usage of scholarships, amount was increased.

THRIVENT REPORT:

Patti Z. reported we received \$1,575.00 this quarter. Amount down about half from last year. So far in April, we received \$414.00. Thrivent committee moved their meeting date to after quarterly meeting.

We would then know if there were any special projects coming up. Committee will meet in February, May, August, and November.

BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

Jenn S. reported the board was not able to take the online class at this time.

OTHER:

Betty J. asked if there would be any expenses involved for changing switches on water valve. Will it be

a congregation expense. We will need more information.

Pastor stated that the computer unit on the organ went out. Cost should be under \$2,000 to repair. Organ was purchased in 2013. Roger H. stated our old organ was sold to a mission church in Sheboygan and is still working.

Mike S. And Steve O. will be working together to get a website up and running for our congregation.

Bev H. stated that Family Night on Sunday, April 14th went well. Both men and women are encouraged to come. Watch for future dates.

Jenn S. will be meeting this coming Thursday with Lisa Hurley from Aging Seniors to see if they could

help in some way. More information to follow.

Mike and Patti finished the audit for 2023. All looks good. Just a few corrections were made.

There was no other business. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Diane Pietsch

Secretary

Trustees Minutes

The May meeting of the Board of Trustees was held May 7th at 6:30pm.

Frank, Nate, Anthony, Ron, and Mark were present.

OLD BUSINESS

Nate reported that he got the quote of \$1670 from Diener Electric to update the fuse box in the church. We are also going to get another quote from Bill's Electric to compare.

A work day was held April 20th. We worked on cleaning up the yard and getting the mowers ready and running for summer. Randy will be doing the mowing again this summer.

NEW BUSINESS

We are planning another work day for June 8th 8am-11am to work on the deck rail on the parsonage. Another project we will be working on is building a shelf for a microwave oven in the fellowship hall.

It was brought to our attention that the retaining wall on the south side of the fellowship hall is cracked and starting to lean. This is something we will need to keep an eye on and plan for future repairs.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15. After the meeting Frank and Nate checked some Light switches and put up the fans in the church while Ron, Mark, and Anthony took down and put away the cross from Easter.

Mark Schultz
Secretary

Elders Minutes

May 6th 2024 Elder's meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by chairman David. Pastor opened with a prayer. Present were David, Dominic, Tim, Dan, and Pastor.

Official acts for the month: Steve Gandry passed away 4/27/24. Confirmation of Faith of the five following students took place May 5th; Emerson Arbuckle, Lily Block, Eva Haak, Dominic Kowalczyk II, Alyssa Schultz. Congratulations!

Pastor had 8 private communion visits in April. Pastor is working on arrangements for a few more members interested in private communion visits in the near future.

We discussed usher and communion assistant help for throughout the summer once we switch to the single service on Sunday mornings at 8:30. Rather than create a new schedule we will communicate amongst ourselves and arrange accordingly.

Open Elder position; Pastor has been in contact with a potential candidate whom is considering the position.

Discussion of replacing some of the hymnals in the pews with Bibles was previously held and was presented to the voters, at the last voter's meeting. It has been asked of the Board of Education if funds could be used from the education resource fund. We are currently waiting for their decision whenever they meet next.

Dominic suggested the idea of holding a group celebration for future confirmands following the church confirmation service. Giving members, teachers, and families a chance and a place to celebrate together. We will try to keep this in mind as an option for future confirmation classes as it was too late to act on for this year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Schultz

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Dan Schultz	287-5187
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Felicia Beck	659-0484
Peggy Wiehr	893-8812
Ann Simonsen	528-7250
Terry Steinke	528-7067
Jennifer Schneider	980-2057
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Bev Hinz	994-4935
Diane Pietsch	528-8668
Ann Simonsen	528-7250
Peggy Wiehr	893-8812
Raylean Triebensee	528-8670
Patti Zimmermann (Chr)	528-7228



FEEDING THE HUNGRY in our own backyard

Please donate a food item each month for the Plymouth Food Pantry. One food category will be highlighted each month, but feel free to donate as the Holy Spirit leads you. Collection boxes are located in our Fellowship Hall and in back of church.

June

Personal Hygiene Items: toothpaste, shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant

Proverbs 14: 31

31 Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honors him.