**St. Paul’s Lutheran Church**

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**June 2025 Newsletter**

**St. Paul’s Lutheran Church**

**Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod**

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Worship Times:

Sunday 8:30 am & Thursday 6:30 pm

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*“1Blessed is the man*

*who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,*

*nor stands in the way of sinners,*

*nor sits in the seat of scoffers;*

*2but his delight is in the instruction of the Lord,*

*and on His law he meditates day and night.”*

– – Psalm 1

**The Great “Emptiness”**

When you open a vacuum sealed jar, what happens?

You hear the sound of the air around the jar

being sucked into the jar.

When a person is born into the world,

that person has something in common

with the vacuum sealed jar.

What is it?

A newly conceived, a newly born child,

Is “empty”, that is,

without God, without a love for God,

without a desire to live a godly life.

The question is, “What will fill the emptiness?”

Will “worldliness”, “the ways of the world”,

fill the void?

* So much so, that the person lives

a “worldly” life, apart from God.

**What “Fills” the Void?**

**What Is Outside and Sucked In!**

How do people around you influence you?

How does the culture shape you,

your thoughts, your way of life?

What about the media?

The music you listen to, the movies you watch,

the contacts you follow on the internet?

The Psalmist writes about

the company you keep and its influence on you.

We all enter the world the same way,

“godless,” “selfish,” with a “emptiness” to fill.

Most people remain that way all their lives,

and sadly they pass into eternity that way.

The “godless” are all around us,

in the community, schools, places of work.

The “godless” write the music, the movies,

the tv programs, the news – in the media.

We cannot escape the words, the ideas,

the culture of the “godless” in the world.

You cannot close your eyes or ears

to the godlessness all around you,

but you can close your heart to its influence.

**What “Fills” the Void in Your Life?**

One source of truth offers you direction in life!

– The Scriptures!

*“The counsel of the wicked”,*

*“the way of sinners”, “the seat of scoffers”,*

are all sources of MIS-direction in life.

All these lead you away from the Lord,

and *“lead to the destruction”* (Matthew 7:13)

of your soul.

The way that *“leads to life”* is Christ,

and His Word!

Jesus said: (Matthew 7:14)

*14For the gate is narrow and the way is hard*

*that leads to life, and those who find it are few.*

Jesus is the one “Gate” to life,

and tragically, few go through this “Gate”.

The Word of the Lord, the Scriptures,

instruct us on

* what is “godly” and what is “evil”;
* how God offers us forgiveness through Christ;
* how we can live a “godly” life in the Spirit.

Trusting Jesus as the Savior from sin

is “hard” to do in a world dominated by sin.

Living by the Word of God is “hard” to do

in a godless culture.

The Psalmist writes:

*Blessed is the man [whose]...*

*delight is in the instruction of the Lord...*

“Blessed” means “receiver of a valuable gift”.

Those who know and trust Jesus as their Savior,

those who live by Jesus’ Word and teachings,

have “received” a priceless gift,

the gift of eternal life and a godly life!

**June Dates to Remember**

**Sunday, June 1**

**Worship 8:30a Worship with HC  
Children’s Church during Sermon**

**Monday, June 2**

**Board of Elders 7:30 pm**

**Tuesday, June 3**

**Book Study (Hosea) 4:30p**

**Thursday, June 5**

**Worship 6:30 w/HC**

**Sunday, June 8**

**Worship 8:30a Worship with HC**

**Monday, June 9**

**Tuesday, June 10**

**Book Study (Hosea) 4:30p**

**Thursday, June 12**

**LWML Meeting 10:00 am**

**Worship 6:30 pm w/HC**

**Sunday, June 15**

**Worship 8:30a Worship with HC  
Children’s Church during Sermon**

**Tuesday, June 17**

**Book Study (Hosea) 4:30p**

**Thursday, June 19**

**Worship 6:30 pm w/HC**

**Sunday, June 22**

**Worship 8:30a Worship with HC**

**Monday, June 23**

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

**Tuesday, June 24**

**Book Study (Hosea) 4:30p**

**Thursday, June 26**

**Worship 6:30 pm w/HC**

**Sunday, June 30**

**Worship 8:30a Worship with HC**

**Church Council 10:15 am**

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2 Jeffrey Wright

3 Rachel Broetzmann

Jacob Arbuckle

6 James Wright

Ronald Schultz

Annie Gilbert

9 Eva Haak

Morgan Kretlow

10 Jeanne Nonhof

Sharon Steinke

Dennis Dyken

13 Dominic Kowalczyk II

14 Patti Zimmermann

Tanner Tolle

15 Mathias Bauer

18 Mark Jeske

19 Logan Beck

21 Abigail Horner

22 Morgan Kitzerrow

Jacob Block

24 Steve Helmer

Easton Marquardt

Ron Truitt

26 Nydia Green

Karen Marquardt

Lowell Kappel

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11 Ken & Kathy Breit

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**Class of 2025 High School Graduates**

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**Seth Ogreenc**

Seth is Graduating from Sheboygan Falls High School

Accomplishments: Eagle Scout, Member of National Society

(NSHSS), Captain of an FRC Robotics Team. Seth is planning to attend UW-Platteville for Mechanical Engineering

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**Serena Annis-Jimenez**

Serena is graduating from Plymouth High school. She was in the Art club and is planning on LTC for Substance Use Disorders Counseling.

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**Stefan Jimenez**

Stefan is the son of Santos and Jennifer. Stefan is graduating from Sheboygan Falls. He was in football and is planning on going to Moraine Park for Criminal Justice.

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**Trever Marquardt**

Trever Marquardt is graduating from Plymouth High School. He will be entering the workforce.

**2025 College Graduates**



Brandon Schultz graduated from Fox Valley Tech in Farm Operations and was on the Dean’s list both years. Brandon will continue to work at Lyn-Vale Farms.

Tricia Palacios graduated from Wisconsin Lutheran College with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Tricia is working at Froedtert 5NE which is a Medical Surg unit.

**Congratulations to the Class of 2025! God’s Richest Blessings to You!**

A fun Summery recipe from the 125th Anniversary Ladies Guild cookbook. (can be found in Church Library).

MOTHER’S SUMMER COOL SALAD Vivian Johanning

1 large box lemon Jello  
18 Large marshmallows  
1 c. milk  
1 can crushed pineapple with juice  
1 c. grated carrots  
1 c. chopped carrots  
1 c. small curd cottage cheese  
½ c. Miracle Whip  
1 c. Chopped nuts

Melt the marshmallows in milk. Pour hot mixture over the Jello. Stir until Jello is dissolved. Cool. Add Pineapples, carrots, celery, cottage cheese and Miracle Whip. Chill until jellied. Fold in the whipped cream and nuts. Pout into Jello mold or pretty glass bowl. Refrigerate.

How many can you find as you enjoy the warmer weather?

A picture of a garden

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**BOARD MEETING NOTES**  
 **Elders Meeting**

  May 12th Elder's meeting was called to order by Tim.  Present were Tim, Peter, Dominic, Pastor, and Dan.   Pastor opened with a prayer.  
         Official Acts:  Confirmation of Faith occurred 5/4/25.   Confirmands were Allana Rene  Annis-Jimenez,  Easton Kent Marquardt,  and Shelby Cassandra Ogreenc.   There was also one death; Ken Schultz passed away 4/19/25.  
Pastor made private communion visits to ten members.  
        Pastor informed us that there is now an attendance checklist in the back of church for tracking confirmation class students' worship attendance.  Attendance has improved.   Pastor also reported that at the recent voters' meeting it was decided to keep Thursday evening worship services in the fellowship hall.  Sunday morning service over the summer will be held at 8:30 AM.  
        Dominic reported that the live stream of the service did not work twice recently.  This was due to technical difficulties that are believed to be resolved.  We discussed the playing of music and accompanying videos on the tv's for services as well as other church's services being traditional versus contemporary.  We feel we have an appropriate balance, but welcome and encourage feedback from our members.  
         Dominic suggested getting some form of additional reusable signage such as a banner for outside the church to catch the attention of all the additional detoured traffic that now goes past church.  Dominic will contact the Board of Stewardship regarding this matter.  Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.  
                       Respectfully Submitted,

                      Dan Schultz

**Trustees Minutes** The May meeting of the board of Trustees was held May 5th at 7:30p. Nate, Frank, Ron, Anthony, and Mark were present.  
 Old Business: Our Spring cleanup was very productive. We cleared trees and brush from the back parking lot which looks much better.   
 New Business: We installed a TV and soundbar in the upper Fellowship Hall to be used for Thursday night services. The cost of these items was $537.00.  
 We also put up the fans in the church. While doing this we remembered that some needed to be repaired or replaced. We found we could get some at Menards at $33. each and decided we will purchase four of them. The last thing we did was put the Easter cross away.   
Meeting adjourned at 8:30p.

Mark Schultz, Secretary

**Board of Stewardship**  
Meeting was called to order by Levi Jr. on May 4th at 12:04p. Present were Levi Jr., Judy, Peggy, Jen and Pastor. Pastor opened with a prayer. Secretary minutes approved as written. Financial Report of $4800.00 available to withdraw for outreach for 2025.  
Old Business: Reviewed counting schedule, was reported by Jen that Patti has completed the updating of Membership directory. **THANK YOU Patti!** Discussed printing timeline. Discussed options and timeline for 2025 mailer and looking into Midstar Printing & Marketing. Update on donation items. In addition to donating the items to Love, Inc, will donate some items to Safe Harbor and Salvation Army as well. Jen will set up with organizations and Judy and Peggy will deliver items. We all heard positive feedback on Little Jesus figures on Palm Sunday. Next meeting June 15th at 9:30a. Meeting adjourned at 12:36p.   
Respectfully submitted,   
Jen Schneider, Secretary

A box full of bread

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Please donate a food item each month for the SPY 50 bag project. There is a highlight item each month, but feel free to donate as the Holy Spirit leads you. Collection boxes are in Fellowship Hall and in back of church.  
If you have any questions, please reach out to Jenny Bidinger at 920.528.8881

June

Fruit cups, Canned fruit, pie filling or applesauce.

Proverbs 14: 31

31 Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is

generous to the needy honors him.

**The Membership Directory has been updated. Phone numbers that were on file have been used. If you would not like your number in the directory, please call Church Office at 920.528-8094 to have it removed. Printing of the Directory will take place after the Board. Of Stewardship meeting on 6/15.**

**Thank you.**

**-Board of Stewardship**

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Have fun with these Dad jokes!

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**St. Paul’s Prayer Warriors welcomes you to join them. If you would like to be a part of the Prayer Warrior group or have a prayer request, please call Church office at 920.528.8094 or email** [**stpaulscascade@hotmail.com**](mailto:stpaulscascade@hotmail.com).

**Please keep the following in your prayers- Our Homebound…**

Doris Krahn, Plymouth,

Lou Raabe, Plymouth

Marion Hefter, & Sherry, Cascade

Cola Schneider, Cascade

Brenda Schultz, Cascade

Laura Reis, Plymouth

Keith “Mike” Long- Plymouth

**Our Active Military…**

Clayton Bauer   
Wyatt LaPorte  
Sam Shirley  
Zair Palacios

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