

News and Views



CDC BUILDING FUNDRAISER

Garage Sale- Bake Sale-Plants

Fellowship Hall - 610 Fowzer
Open at 7 am – March 18 & 19

Donate unwanted clothes, dishes, toys, furniture, tools, lawnmowers – anything usable.

Can you help?

We need Plants, Baked Desserts & Bread, Pickles, Jelly, etc.

Need pick-up?

Call

St. Paul Lutheran Child
Development Center
352-2773

ASH WEDNESDAY

Spaghetti Supper by the Youth at 5:30
(Free-will offering) before service

7:00 p.m. service - The Miraculous Darkness

Weekly Soup/sandwich dinner at 5:30 before services

6:30 p.m. service - Midweek 2: The Miraculous Tearing of the Temple Curtain

6:30 p.m. service - Midweek 3: The Miraculous Earthquake

6:30 p.m. service - Midweek 4: The Miracle of the Splitting Rocks

6:30 p.m. service - Midweek 5: The Miraculous Raising of the Saints from Death

6:30 p.m. service - Midweek 6: The Miraculous Faith of the Roman Soldiers

Miracles of LENT

When we speak or preach from the "Passion of Christ," we are speaking or preaching about Christ's suffering and death on Calvary's cross for the sins of the world. Certainly, the Passion is about the purple robe and the crown of thorns; Christ carrying His cross; the soldiers with their hammers, the nails, and the spear; and His words from the cross. But more than the objects and events, the Passion is about Jesus assuming unto Himself the sins of the world and then experiencing to the fullest degree the Father's just wrath upon that sin. It is about forgiveness and salvation graciously offered in view of the shed blood of Calvary.

This year our Lenten series is about all of that and more. It is also about the important and significant miracles and miraculous signs that God the Father performed to set apart His Son's death from absolutely all others. The miracles performed were: **the three hours of darkness, the torn temple curtain, the earthquake, the splitting of rocks, the opening of graves and many of God's people being raised to life and appearing to many in Jerusalem after Christ's resurrection, as well as the unbelievable faith of the Roman soldiers.**

Join us this Lent for a journey that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at the cross...or does it? Look for the Schedule of Services in this newsletter and come and be blessed with the nourishment of God the Father and his love.



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HEALTH KITS - Items for the kits will be collected during February and March.

The following items are included:

- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- One washcloth, dark color recommended
- One bath-size bar (4-5 oz.) soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in original pkg.
- One sturdy comb, remove from pkg.
- One metal nail file or nail clippers with file attached, remove from pkg. (do not substitute cardboard emery boards for file)
- Six band-aids, preferably 1/2" to 3/4"; secured together with a rubber band



Progressive '42' at St. Paul's

The Hospitality Circle will be hosting '42' tournaments for our church members and our friends in the community.

Date:	Last Monday of every month
Time:	2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Place:	St. Paul Education Building

Please pass the word to your friends and neighbors. See ya' there!

Attention: High School Seniors

The scholarship applications are in the mail to you. If you did not receive one and would like to apply, please contact Bonnie George at 352-2879



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

at
St. Paul
Lutheran
Church

MARCH Sunday School Schedule

- 2 -3 year olds**
- 1st & 2nd Grade class**
- 3rd & 4th Grade class**
- 5th & 6th Grade class**

- March 6 Transfiguration
- March 13 Rest home
- March 20 Jesus Teaches Nicodemus
- March 27 Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

Teen Current Events Class

Finishing up "A Walk through the book of 1st Corinthians" then on to Hebrews.

Pastor Gary's Sip 'n Study

Last month we began a study of the "life" of King David. The class is not going to study verse by verse 1 and 2 Samuel. Rather, we are looking at the "life directions" – both positive and negative – that David took. What were his motives are just as often our motives. So as we look at David we see ourselves, and just as God was involved in David's life so also is God involved in our lives. So then, just as David did, we too can have the heart to go on. Join us each week.



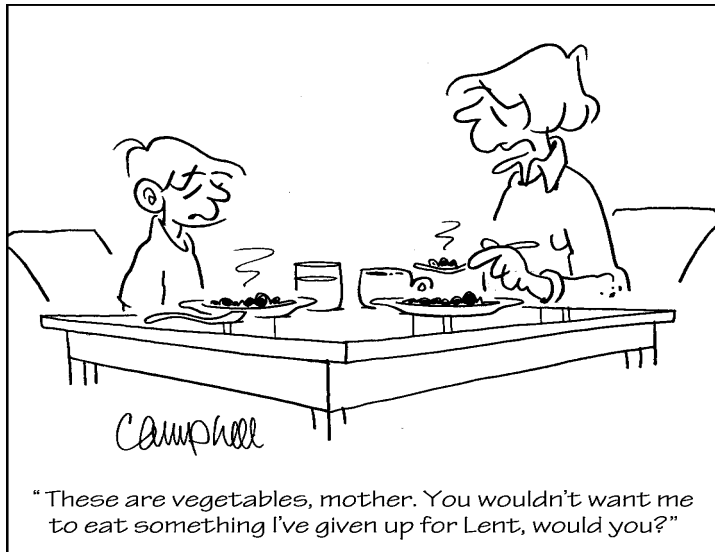
James & Ruth Brinkmeyer will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary March 6th!



Dorothy Mae Teggeman will turn 83years young March 16th.
Kathryn Glendening will turn 82 years young on March 17th.
GloriaMae Bartosh will turn 82 years young March 25th
Hilda Hanson will turn 92 years young March 28th.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

St. Paul children already in the 4th grade need to re-serve April 4 & 11 (Monday evenings) for their instruction. Parents are expected to attend with their child. More information will come in the April newsletter.



"These are vegetables, mother. You wouldn't want me to eat something I've given up for Lent, would you?"

"THE BLACKBOARD"

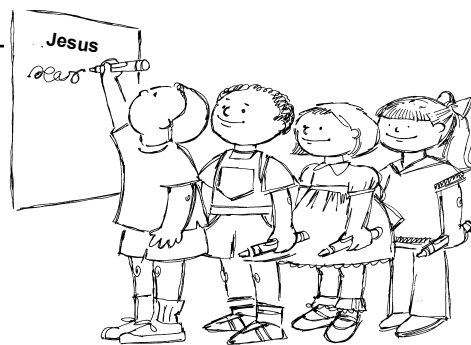
News from our St. Paul Lutheran schools

Child Development Center—Lorene Prinz, Director

(512) 352-2773

Elementary School—Sheila Debus, Principal

(512) 365-6161



CDC NEWS

March is here, more outdoor playtime and more opportunities to participate in Community events.

February 28 - March 6: Scholastic Book Fair in Fellowship Hall

March 1: Preschoolers sing for Senior Citizens at Fred Switzer Center

March 1 - 15: School age students assist Ms. Bulgerin, Relay for Life Team Leader with projects.

March 14 - 18: School Spring Break - School age students get to relax at CDC.

More time on new playground.

Baby animals visit CDC.

March 18 - 19: Gigantic Garage Sale in Fellowship Hall to add to CDC Building Fund.

Ongoing: Preschool Group making Spring Banners - Watch for them.

Congratulations to Pastor Kerri Veit on her ordination, Sunday, February 20.

Continue to pray for the new building project. We need more space to share the Love of God with the children of our community. "Building To Share God's Love"

God Bless You.

St. Paul Elementary School

Registration for the 2011-12 school year is now in full swing! Contact the school office (365-6161) or go to our website (www.stpaultaylorsschool.org) to download your registration packet!

March 7 - 11 is Lutheran School Week, and we have fun ideas for our students to show their school spirit - with St. Paul shirt day, your favorite sports team, silly sock day and slipper/pj day.

We have the updates from the ACSI Spelling Bee that Emma Laxson (4th grade) and Madison Walker (3rd grade) represented us at - Emma, out of 17 students, finished in the top half of her class, and Madison, out of 15 students, finished in the top 5. Caleb Naivar (4th grader), Jack Gratehouse and Josh Farley (3rd graders) received Excellent ribbons at the

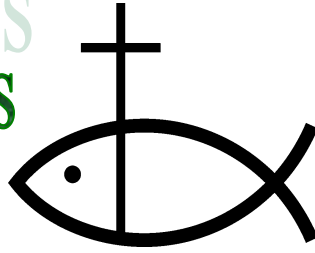
ACSI Math Olympics. We are proud of our St. Paul representatives at these events!

Our last class to look at is Mrs. Scott's 4th Grade class. The 4th graders are learning about electricity and circuits, while the 3rd Grade class is learning about the solar systems (and trying to make a solar system to scale), planets, and all things space related.

Please be in prayer for the school during this time of enrollment - that God's vision would be our vision and that we would wait for Him!

*³ In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice;
in the morning I lay my requests before
you and wait expectantly.*

Psalm 5:3



It is a growing problem within the church. Furthermore, the problem is not just in the Lutheran Church, or the Catholic Church, or even a particular denomination. I know that it appears as though I am being vague about this problem, but I am not. It is a very big problem that covers all religions. Furthermore, this problem is more of an attitude than a particular hobby (or situation) that could be addressed. Please read on for a clearer picture.

Statistics show that in America a very large majority of people declare that they believe in God, even declaring themselves to be Christian. The disconnect appears on any Sunday when that overwhelming majority of Christians fail to go to a church of their choosing. Dr. Billy Graham has a question and answer column in many newspapers across the nations. Dr. Graham was asked about this very issue a few years ago. His answer is for all of us. Read on for the question, and his answer.

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I consider myself a Christian, but to be honest I don't belong to a church and don't really see the need of being involved in a church. I can be just as good a Christian without going to church, can't I? D.Y.

DEAR D.Y.: No, you can't, not normally. God has designed us so that we need each other. This is true on an ordinary human level, of course – but it is also true on a spiritual level. Let me explain.

The key is to be found in the answer to a simple question: What does God want to do in our lives? There are many ways to answer that question – but if you are truly a follower of Jesus Christ, God wants to do two things in your life. First, He wants you to grow in your understanding of Him and in your relationship to Him. Second, He wants to use you to point others to Jesus, and to share His love and compassion with them.

Can you accomplish those two things on your own? No, not fully. You need others, for example, to help you grow spiritually. You need to hear His Word as it is preached and taught, and you need to be encouraged and challenged to grow spiritually.

This is an excellent response to a question I think a lot of people ask, or should ask. The goal of every worship service at St. Paul is help you in building your relationship with God...and with each other. I invite you to join us this Sunday and feel the blessings and the love God has for us all.

See you in Church.





Meals on Wheels Drivers Needed! Our church has accepted responsibility for covering three delivery routes on **Mondays** for Meals on Wheels. At present, we have openings. Besides Mondays, we also have folks that deliver on other days. It only takes an hour. Be at the Nutrition Center at 10:30, deliver 15 – 20 meals (you don't have to stay and talk with each client), return the supplies, and be on your way. If you can help deliver meals, call the church office at 352-2327. For more information, call the Center at 352-5539.

Monday, March 7

- LaVerne & Dennis Richter
- Open - Volunteer needed
- Open - Volunteer needed

Monday, March 21

- LaVerne & Dennis Richter
- Open - Volunteer needed
- Open - Volunteer needed

Monday, March 14

- Naomi & Bobby Pasemann
- Mark Krueger
- Marilyn & Lonnie Raschke

Monday, March 28

- Carolyn Jacobson
- Miles Baska
- Marilyn & Lonnie Raschke



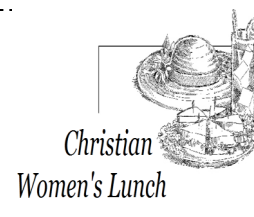
Senior Adult Ministry

The **Senior Ministry Committee** will meet at 10:00 am on Tuesday, March 1st at St. Paul House.

The Lunch Bunch will meet at 11:30 am on March 21st at Sirloin Stockade. Everyone is invited for good food and good conversation. Please pay as you come in. We will be in the back room.

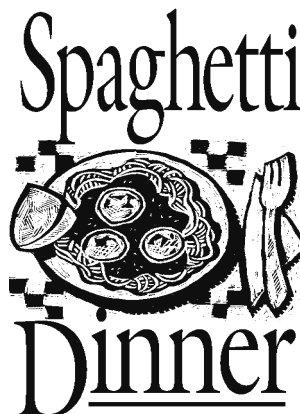


The **Christian Women's Fellowship Luncheon** held at Grace Place will be on **Friday, March 25th**. The First Baptist Church (Robinson St.) is hosting this month and we encourage all women to come. Please bring a dish to pass. You can bring a friend too!



**THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
THANK YOU!**

I want to send out my heartfelt thanks to all who came and celebrated with me my ordination. It was a wonderful service that I will remember always and it was made that much more special by having my friends at St. Paul share that day with me!



Make your dinner plans for Ash Wednesday early! The youth will be serving a delicious dinner at 5:30 pm.



PRAYER : Savior Lord, Healing Spirit, in this moment, lead my heart to hold carefully all for whom I pray. Help me to consider all that You have done for your children, and then, I pray that Your Holy Spirit bless them with healing and wholeness. Bring light and peace into each life that we all might feel your comforting presence. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Members: Mildred Wendland, Buddy Townsend, Randolph Huber, Arlene Kruse, Nema Bohls, Gussie Arledge, Edna Werchan, Susie Priesmeyer, Pauline Sorenson

Family, friends, and loved ones: our nation, Rick Cramer, Elisabeth Skrovan, Lou Ann Maddox, Cody Murray, Edna Tonn, Loraine McCarty, Keith Sowers, John Carter, Wilma Hoerig, Ben McKinnon, Harry Moerbe, Barbara Stabeno, Chris Otts, Elizabeth Lovejoy, Jennifer Neddeau, Chief Bristoll, Bernadette Cuba, Lee Schaefer, Officer Leal, Gay Keys, Pamela Morton, Abby Alderete, Sandra Milburn, Brian Gross, Julie Johnson, Evon Higgins, John Graff, Eric Richardson, Gail Matthys, Joshua Bockerstette, Jessica Golden, Cole Riddle, Betty Cruz, Tricia Sheppard, David M. Bulgerin, Luke David Jackson, Barney Luna, Dara Rozell, Bubba Carlson, Karen Hyer, Mike Parry, Carole Byler, Dan Ozuna, Margaret Smith, Kimberly Jones, Jim Ferrier, Alton Peters, Lillian Kerlin, Robert Garrett, David Click and family, John Brown, Connie Steelhammer, Abigail Alexander, Josie Mowers, Marilyn & Donna DeMari

Asst. Living/Nursing Home:

Grace Place- Hannah Hays, Dorothy Rhea

Court of Round Rock- Aline Kautz

Cottages of Chandler Creek- Helen Scruggs

SPJST AL- Joe Eulenfeld, Lena Leschber

SPJST NH- Hattie Becker, Mamie Danek, Birdie Eulenfeld, Olga George, Ruth Preston, Bernice Schroeder

Granger Villa- Alma Heselmeyer, Emma Heselmeyer, Wallie Kiesling, Hilda Krueger, Frances Moehnke, Edna Werchan

Will'O'Bell- Gussie Arledge, Erwin Teggeman

Pflugerville Care Ctr- Susie Priesmeyer

Regency, Temple - Willie Pokorny

Elgin N&R- Lillie Walther

Trinity Care Ctr- Rylie Brewer, Gertrude Porter, Annie Schernik

The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are with:
The family of Nelda Vorwerk. Her funeral was held February 11th.

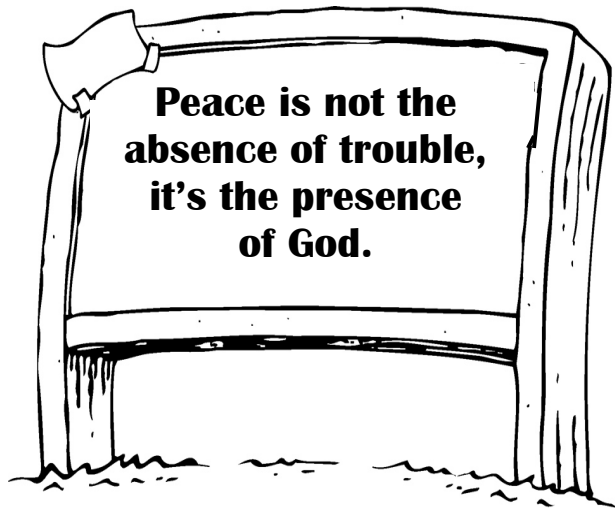
Katie Wilson and her family at the death of her brother, Harry Herber.

David & Dennis Schmidt families at the death of their father, Edmund Schmidt.

Leon & Anita Tieman at the death of his sister, Verna Mae Zegub.

May the Good Shepherd comfort all who mourn.





Church Statistics
January
2011

Sunday Worship ave. Attendance: 151
Sunday School ave. Attendance: 45

Income & Expenses:

Monthly

Income	\$22,384.97
Expenses	\$21,339.51
Income Minus Expenses	\$1,045.46

Year-to-Date

Income	\$22,384.97
Expenses	\$21,339.51
Income Minus Expenses	\$1,045.46

Benevolence

Goal for 2011	\$13,000
Received for the month	\$491.50
Received YTD	\$491.50

Mission of the Month:

Radio Fund	\$481.00
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MARCH Mission of the Month
Relay for Life

Denim and Diamonds Chamber Fundraiser

This fun-filled event on March 12, 2011 includes six full hours of entertainment - great food catered by Davis BBQ (including brisket, sausage, chicken, sides, and desert), good friends, wonderful live music by Scooter Dubec and Sterling Country, a boot shine station, door prizes galore, a dance contest, and an opportunity for some lucky lady to win a diamond necklace (\$1200 value). All of this for only \$25 per person! Doors open at 6:00 PM at the American Legion Hall in Murphy Park. More information and tickets can be purchased from James Preece at the Taylor Thrivent Financial office or by calling 512-626-9993. Very few tickets remain unsold!

FREE Money for the Ministries of Your Congregation!!!

If you are a member of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, there is a chance that you can direct a donation to your congregation, school, or CDC (or other enrolled Lutheran organizations). Through the Thrivent Choice Dollars program, many Thrivent Financial members will be eligible to do this - AND the good news is that there is still time to direct 2010 dollars before March 31, 2011. If you are eligible you should have received a letter in the mail. If you are unsure if you have any Choice Dollars to direct or are unsure how to direct them, please contact James Preece of the Taylor Thrivent Financial office at 512-626-9993 or your individual Thrivent Financial representative. We want to make sure every penny gets directed to support your important ministries!

“God will not permit any troubles to come upon us, unless He has a specific plan by which great blessing can come out of the difficulty.”
~Peter Marshall

MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

March 6, 2011

Asst. Minister: Dave Kinnaman
Council Ushers: Mel Bullock, Christine Rohlack, Lynn Prinz
Altar Set-up: Sheila Bullock, Rhonda Ochoa, Tracy Richter Altar Asst: Kathie
Altar Clean-up: Carol Lantzsch, Kathie Preece

Greeters: Katy Wilson, Casey Anderson
Asst. Ushers: Jennifer Townsend, Billy Turner
Reader: Aurora Wold-Krogmann
Acolytes: Tallie Thompson, Colton Schiller

March 9, 2011

ASH WEDNESDAY

Altar Set-up: Carol Lantzsch, Kathie Preece Altar Asst: Tracy
Altar Clean-up: Carolyn Jacobson, Elfie Rinderknecht
Acolytes: Kacie Vanecek, Sarah Richter

March 13, 2011

Council Ushers: Bob Grimm, Kelly Kruse
Greeters: Susan Basco, Bertha May Beran
Asst. Ushers: Jaci Basco, Colbey Bullock
Reader: Katy Safarik
Acolyte: Kenneth Kruse

March 20, 2011

Asst. Minister: James Preece
Council Ushers: Kristi Gauthier, Rose King, Pat Erwin
Altar Set-up: Carolyn Jacobson, Elfie Rinderknecht Altar Asst: Rhonda
Altar Clean-up: Marilyn Raschke, Beverly Ash, Elaine Oser

Greeters: Carolyn Beran, Gary Beran
Asst. Ushers: Sean Bullock, Sheila Bullock
Reader: Paula Safarik
Acolytes: Raeleigh Whitlow, Carolyn Gauthier

March 27, 2011

Council Ushers: Michael Schwettman, James Preece
Greeters: Jennifer Betak, Travis Betak
Asst. Ushers: Chad David, Dan Jansky
Reader: Chris Scheffel
Acolyte: Casey Anderson

APRIL WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

April 3, 2011

Asst. Minister: James Preece
Council Ushers: Mel Bullock, Christine Rohlack, Lynn Prinz
Altar Set-up: Marilyn Raschke, Beverly Ash, Elaine Oser Altar Asst: Marilyn G.
Altar Clean-up: Marilyn Grimm, Janet Brinkmeyer

Greeters: Janet Brinkmeyer, Colbey Bullock
Asst. Ushers: Dan Jansky, Chris Koehne
Reader: Mark Stoll
Acolytes: Colton Schiller, Devon Johnson

April 10, 2011

Council Ushers: Bob Grimm, Margaret Miller, Kelly Kruse

Greeters: Jennifer Bullock, Sheila Bullock
Asst. Ushers: Allyson Matthys, George Matthys
Reader: Jennifer Townsend
Acolyte: Taylor Prinz

April 17, 2011

PALM SUNDAY

Asst. Minister: Dave Kinnamon
Council Ushers: Kristi Gauthier, Rose King, Pat Erwin
Altar Set-up: Marilyn Grimm, Janet Brinkmeyer Altar Asst: Sheila
Altar Clean-up: Sheila Bullock, Rhonda Ochoa, Tracy Richter

Greeters: Jason Cmerek, Pam David
Asst. Ushers: Romadene Mohel, Elizabeth Ochoa
Reader: Melanie Weise
Acolytes: Kandice Kocian, Aaron Prinz

April 21, 2011

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Altar Set-up: Sheila Bullock, Rhonda Ochoa, Tracy Richter Altar Asst: Kathie
Altar Clean-up: Carol Lantzsch, Naomi Pasemann, Kathie Preece
Acolytes: Elizabeth Ochoa, Allison Erwin

April 24, 2011

EASTER SUNDAY

Asst. Minister: James Preece
Council Ushers: Michael Schwettman, James Preece
Altar Set-up: Carol Lantzsch, Naomi Pasemann, Kathie Preece Altar Asst: Tracy
Altar Clean-up: Carolyn Jacobson, Elfie Rinderknecht

Greeters: Joyce Eulenfeld, Shirley Evans
Asst. Ushers: Naomi Pasemann, Irene Pence
Reader: Donna Wilson
Acolytes: Kacie Vanecek, Garrett Johnson

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