

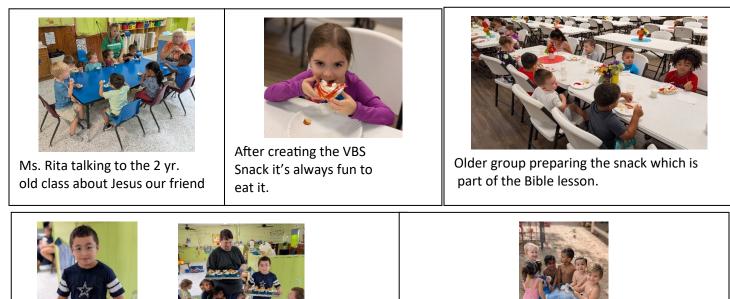
Psalm 33:12

# St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center



#### **CDC Newsletter**

Vacation Bible School was a lot of fun. The older class helped to prepare snacks for the younger groups. The snacks are centered around the bible verses and lessons.



Kevin and Mr. Craig delivering the snacks to the 2 yr old class.

Two yr old class enjoying water play after their VBS class.

We have a full schedule for the month of July. It is always our busiest month because normally all our kids are here. Bonzo Crunch the Clown will be here at the Fellowship Hall on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Small Wonders Puppet Show will be here on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. We welcome anyone that would like to come share these performances with us. They both last only an hour but are always enjoyable. The field trips that we have planned are A Slice of Heaven Educational Farm on July 18<sup>th</sup> where the children will enjoy touring the farm, feeding the large animals, doing all the activities they have planned for us and going on a hayride. We will be taking two groups to Mt. Playmore in Pflugerville on two different days. Bowling at Spare Time on July 31<sup>st</sup>. Everyone have a blessed and safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The CDC will be closed.

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### **Church Statistics for July**

Sunday Worship Average Attendance

65



Please remember that the deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 20th of each month by 5:00 pm.

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St. Paul Church takes pictures and videos which will be posted on our social media, web pages and printed material. Dear St. Paul Lutheran Church Family,

We will be holding a congregational meeting to elect church council members on Sunday July 13. This meeting will be held immediately following our worship service. Our summer of stained-glass window restoration should begin in July. Arrangements are being made with Floyd's Glass and Rey Garza. You should see scaffolding go up around the church sanctuary during the next few weeks. The Church Council is seeking additional bids for the Fellowship Hall roof repair.

The Child Development Center recently completed their Vacation Bible School program. You will find pictures of their activities in the newsletter. Thank you to all who helped with the Summer in the Park gathering for Taylor youth on June 26 at Robinson Park. My special thanks to Rita Kelm and all the volunteers who assisted in this project.

I will begin my summer "Hollywood and the Church" adult education presentation following the completion of Bo Stiles' Bible Study class in the Fellowship Hall Conference Room. The first movie to discuss will be "Conclave." Watch the Sunday bulletin for further details. My seminar in Houston with N. T. Wright was a stimulating experience. Our studies of Isaiah 40-55 will be reflected in my Advent and Lenten sermons. N. T. Wright truly presented a new way to look at the ancient texts. That is what I will be doing during the Pentecost season, as we explore familiar texts about Jesus' healings and teachings.

Our Youth Group has a variety of summer activities planned by Steve and Elizabeth Morgan. Watch your email and Sunday bulletins for further announcements.

As you travel to various places in the Central Texas area, keep me in mind for possible places for our group of Seniors to visit in the autumn and winter. I am looking forward to an active Senior ministry beginning in October. I am continuing my visitation and distribution of our outreach brochures to the new Taylor housing developments. Castlewood 1 was completed in June. You are invited to join Elaine and me at the Texas District Gathering in Victoria on July 25-26. Go to <u>events - Texas District</u> (Icmctexasdistrict.org/events/) to register.

Special congratulations to the Stout, Hale, and Payne families at the recent births of their children. Please continue to remember our shut-ins and those who have had recent medical procedures in your prayers and daily devotions. Check out the daily Bible reading program on our website . Daily Bible Reading Guide (www.stpaultaylor.com/daily-bible-guide/)

May you'll have a wonderful summer of vacations, trips, and family fun. Know that God is with you through all your adventures. I count it a joy to serve as your Pastor.

Blessings,

Pastor George



### **Faith Over Fear**

I am so excited for our Texas District Gathering July 25-26 in Victoria! This year's theme is "All in the Same Boat" based on the story of Jesus calming the sea in Mark 4:35-41. In this story, Jesus' disciples were crossing the Sea of Galilee when a great windstorm arose and began swamping the boat. Fear struck the disciples, but Jesus was sleeping through it all. The disciples woke Jesus up: "Teacher! Don't you care that we are going to die?" Jesus then got up, rebuked the wind and calmed the sea.

In life and ministry, we all face challenging "storms" both as disciples of Jesus and as communities of faith. In this Mission Moment series, we have been leaning into the hope we have in Jesus in times of trouble. First, we remembered that we are not alone: Jesus was in the boat with the disciples the entire time the storm raged and he is with us in our storms as well. Last month I pondered whether we had grown complacent and left Jesus alone to fall asleep. Hopefully it does not take a 9-1-1 emergency for us to call on Jesus and wake him up! Instead, we should seek a relationship with Jesus through the regular reading of scripture, prayer, worship, and service.

In this final article, we recall Jesus' actions and words once the disciples woke him in Mark 4:39-40: "He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Silence! Be still!' The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Then he said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?'" Here Jesus connects faith and fear: When you have faith in Jesus, you have nothing to fear. Our Lord says to his followers: Trust me; Count on me; I am with you; I am ultimately in control; I will shelter and protect you; Have faith over fear.

Many people confuse this to mean that God won't ever let bad things happen to good people, but that simply isn't true. Bad things do happen all the time as the result of living in a sinful and broken world. What this really means is that in the midst of the bad things... in the suffering and hardship... when the world seems to be spinning out of control: God is with us, to help us, to strengthen us, to give us hope and see us through the storm.

Jesus calls on his followers to have faith and be at peace; to trust and not be afraid. In John 6:33, Jesus tells his disciples: "I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world." When God is in control, he is working for our good and his glory, even through the hard things of life. As Paul writes in Romans 8:28: "We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."

Our Annual Gathering is July 25-26 in Victoria, Texas. Register online: www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering

Pastor Bryce Formwalt is the Director of Mission Growth for LCMC Texas District and Program Director of Harvest Workers, an online ministry training program (learn more at <u>www.harvestworkers.net</u>). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or <u>bryce@lcmctexas.org</u>.

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#### We Remember in Prayer

If someone needs to be removed from the prayer list please call the church office

#### **Our Members:**

Dennis Richter, Gloria Bartosh, Diane Talley, Debbie Brinkmeyer, Carol Lantzsch, Kent Safarik.

Our Shut Ins:

Inez Sladek, Grace Bulgerin, Mary Miller, Lorene Prinz, Geraldine Steger, Lomis Weber, Lisa Cox, Geraldine Cox, Carolyn Jacobson.

<u>Our family, friends, and loved ones</u>: Hazel Chasak, Bill Cody, Randel Duelm, Rachel Elson, Felicia Garcia, Penny Dittman, Alan Debus, Robert Harty, Mackenzie Brewer, Loretta Simank, Authur Moreno, Jack Dismukes, Calvin and Rosalie Jechow, Edward Morgan, Sandra Milner, Dora Brittian, Ryan Richey, Alma Russell, Mary Perez, Melissa Balderas, Kelly Clines Thompson, Rob Randig, Gayla Lantzsch, Tommy Harrison, Walter Moldenhauer.

#### Assisted Living/Nursing Home:

**SPJST Assisted Living:** 

Geraldine Cox Grace Bulgerin Taylor SPJST Nursing Home: Geraldine Steger

**Mary Miller** Carol Lantzsch

The Monarch: Joanne Rummel

Brookdale Assisted Living: Carolyn Jacobson

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# News & Views



The 2024 Texas District Annual Gathering will be held on July 25-26 at First English Lutheran Church in Victoria, Texas. The theme is All in the Same Boat.

Visit www.lcmctexas.org/annual-gathering/ for more information.

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