

St. Paul Lutheran Church

News & Views



March 2024

Readers for March:

- Mar 3rd - Andrew Morris
- Mar 10th - Sharon Naivar
- Mar 17th - Kathy Paulsen
- Mar 24th - Randall Pick
- Mar 28th - Randal Pick
- Mar 31st - Terry Richter

Mission
Of The
Month



Church Financial Summary

	January	Annual/Cumulative
Monthly Budget	\$23,778	\$47,556
Monthly Contributions	\$27,692	\$71,867

Monthly Contributions does not include funds received for dedicated purposes, only those funds received for budgeted operations.



Looking for volunteers

St. Paul will be serving at Shepherds Heart Food Pantry on Saturday, April 6th from 7:30 am to 10:30 am. Anyone who can help would be greatly appreciated. If anyone needs community service this is a great opportunity. The address is 121 East 2nd Street, but please enter from Porter Street.

For any questions please contact Don Artieschoufsky (512-923-0220)

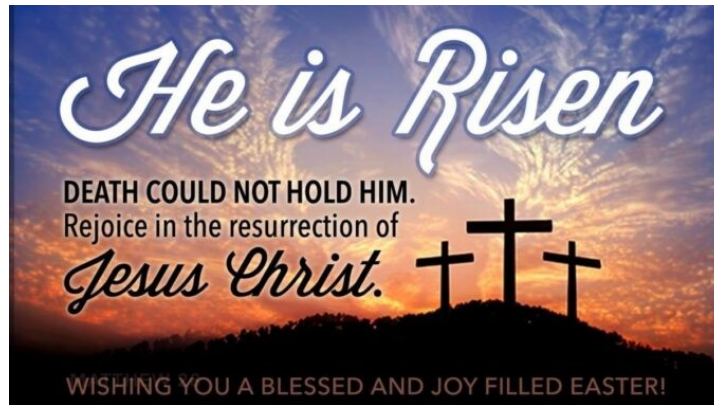


March 6, 13, & 20, 2024

- 1:00 pm - Lent Service - St. Paul House Conf Room
- 6:00 pm - Soup & Sandwiches - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 pm - Lent Service - Fellowship Hall

Sign up sheet for Soup & Sandwiches is in the Narthex. Please indicate when and what you would like to bring

St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center *March*



MARCH NEWSLETTER

Annual Garage Sale

Friday, March 1 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 2 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall

Spring Break – March 11 – 15 the school age kids will be out of school for the whole week. Planning fun activities for the kids that are here. One of their plans is to start planting and working on their garden.

March 28 CDC Easter Egg Hunt for all age groups. 9:30 a.m. for the younger classes
Easter Celebration for the school age kids at 4:00 p.m.

The CDC will honor Good Friday by being closed so that our families can have time together to worship.

May everyone have a blessed Easter.

God bless all,
St. Paul CDC



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Church Statistics for February

Sunday Worship
Average Attendance
79



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



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,

During this Lenten season, I will be reflecting with you on the ways we are guided by the Cross of Christ. I will be sharing various artist renditions of hope, love, peace, trust, and perseverance. You can join in this Lenten series by attending at 1:00 PM in the St. Paul House Conference Room or joining us for Soup and Sandwiches at 6:00 PM with the Lenten Series beginning at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

I am happy to report that we have ordered our projector for use in the Sanctuary. We are looking for volunteers to assist in operating the projector. Our audio-visual assistants will use a "clicker" to change our worship liturgy as we move through our bulletin. The projector will be installed as soon as it is delivered. Many thanks to Kenneth Kruse and Rhonda Ochoa and Jason Richter who have spearheaded this project. With the use of the projector, we will have a modified Sunday worship bulletin, which will significantly reduce our paper usage since the complete bulletin will be projected. The full bulletin will continue to be sent to all our shut-ins.

At the suggestion of our Church Council, we are returning to receiving Holy Communion at the altar rail, as well as during our regular continuous Communion. To receive Holy Communion at the altar rail, simply move past those waiting in the continuous Communion line and walk to the altar rail. You can either stand or kneel to receive Holy Communion.

Thank you to all who attended the luncheon at Sirloin Stockade for Pastor Siimon Haamer, President of the Tartu Academy of Theology. His presentation was well received. We will not be serving a breakfast or brunch on Easter Sunday between the Sunrise and Choral Easter Services or following the Choral Easter Service. You can join me for breakfast a Whataburger following the Sunrise Service. We will have an Easter Egg Hunt for the children at 11:15 AM on the church lawn or in Fellowship Hall if we have inclement weather.

I invite you to follow Jesus to the cross during Holy Week. At 10:00 AM on Palm Sunday we will celebrate his triumphant entry into Jerusalem and hear the Passion Gospel. On Maundy Thursday, we will reflect on Jesus with his disciples in the Upper Room, his prayer and arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane at the Mount of Olives. We will share Holy Communion together at 12:00 noon and 6:30 pm, On Good Friday, we will reflect on the theme of God's Son sacrificing himself for us at 12:00 noon and 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. For your Lenten devotions, I encourage you to use your Portals of Prayer.

As we walk together through our Lenten journey, discovering how we are guided by the Cross of Christ, may we be strengthened through regular prayer and Scriptural reading of the Gospel accounts of Jesus journey to the cross. Notice how the Gospel writers view Jesus, his entry into Jerusalem, his arrest, his crucifixion, and resurrection in Matthew 21:1-28:20, Mark 11:1-16:20, Luke 19:28-24:53, John 12:12-21:25.

Please remember to visit the Fellowship Hall for the CDC Garage Sale on March 1 and 2. Many collectible items will be available. Thank you for your ongoing support of our Child Development Center and our ministry to preschool children.

Jason, Elaine and I wish you and your families a most blessed Easter.

Blessings,

Pastor George



Mission Moment

by Pastor Bryce Formwalt
Director of Mission Growth



Remembering What We Were Made For

Just like many of you, I recently attended an Ash Wednesday service to mark the beginning of another Lenten season. The message of Ash Wednesday is an important reminder of our identity: that we are mortal beings created out of dust who will return to dust at the end of our natural lives. Even though we realize that God will resurrect the dead in faith to eternal life with him and dust we will not remain, we cannot escape the present reality of the fleeting nature of our lives lived here on earth.

The Lenten season draws us into deep reflection as to who we are, whose we are, and what we were made for. As followers of Jesus Christ, we acknowledge that our identity is shaped not by our accomplishments, wealth, social status, talents, or even our personality. Our identity is shaped by God: our creator, redeemer, and sanctifier. We belong to He who made us, redeemed us, and guides us in our daily living. But what exactly were we made for?

As Lutheran Christians we are fond of what Paul writes in Ephesians 2:8-9: *“For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God’s gift—not from works, so that no one can boast.”* These verses shaped the Reformation and emphasize that good works can never save us. It is God’s grace that rescues us from sin, death, and the power of the devil. It cannot be earned; this ever will only be a free gift of God!

Yet we often miss the very next verse. Paul in Ephesians 2:10 continues: *“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do.”* During these 40 days, I pray that we can remember again what we were created to do in this life we’ve been given to live on this earth. From the time that God breathed life into you until the time that your body returns to the earth, God has created and saved you for a purpose: to do good works!

So how is God calling you to steward your time, your gifts and abilities, your relationships, and your finances for the Kingdom? How is God calling you to return to the very basic life orientation of loving God and neighbor? A church member recently suggested that sometimes we forget that God is in charge; that He is Lord, and we are not. As we reflect this Lent on Jesus’ journey to Jerusalem, the cross, and His sacrifice that saves us, may we also remember what we were made, and saved, for.

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 www.harvestworkers.net). Residing in Georgetown, Pastor Bryce is available to coach congregations on mission. Please contact him with any questions or comments: 512-942-7776 or bryce@lcmctexas.org.

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St. Paul Lutheran Church, LCMC†

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 CDC garage sale set-up - Fellowship Hall 9:00am Handbell Practice 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 11:00am Congregational Meeting - Immediately after church service 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	26 CDC garage sale set-up - Fellowship Hall 8:00am Church Office - Open 12:00pm Tartu Academy Presentation at Sibon Stockade - Open for all to Attend 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	27 CDC garage sale set-up - Fellowship Hall 8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study	28 CDC garage sale set-up - Fellowship Hall 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:00pm Midweek Lent Service - St. Paul House Conference Room 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:30pm Midweek Lent Service - Fellowship Hall (soup/sandwiches @ 6pm)	29 CDC garage sale set-up - Fellowship Hall 8:00am Church Office - Closed Today	1 CDC Garage Sale - Fellowship Hall Church Office Closed	2 CDC Garage Sale - Fellowship Hall Pastor's Day Off
3 10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	4 8:00am Church Office - Close Today 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	5 8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study	6 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:00pm Midweek Lent Service - St. Paul House Conference Room 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:30pm Midweek Lent Service - Fellowship Hall (soup/sandwiches @ 6pm)	7 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr-Cluster Mig 9:30am Ruth Circle	8 Church Office Closed	9 Pastor's Day Off
10 9:00am Handbell Practice 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	11 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	12 8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study 7:00pm Scout Committee Mig - FH Conf Rm	13 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:00pm Midweek Lent Service - St. Paul House Conference Room 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:30pm Midweek Lent Service - Fellowship Hall (soup/sandwiches @ 6pm)	14 8:00am Church Office - Open	15 Church Office Closed	16 Pastor's Day Off
17 10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	18 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	19 8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study 7:00pm Council Meeting - St. Paul House	20 Newletter Articles Due 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:00pm Midweek Lent Service - St. Paul House Conference Room 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:30pm Midweek Lent Service - Fellowship Hall (soup/sandwiches @ 6pm)	21 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr-Cluster Mig	22 Church Office Closed	23 Pastor's Day Off
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31 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Sunday School and Confirmation and Adult Education 12:15pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM	1 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:00pm Scout Den Meeting K-3rd Fellowship Hall	2 8:00am Church Office - Open 1:30pm LCMC Pastors Text Study	3 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study	4 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr-Cluster Mig 9:30am Ruth Circle	5 Church Office Closed	6 Pastor's Day Off 7:30am Shepherd's Heart Workday!!

We Remember in Prayer

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

Our Members:

Brunner Grau, John Harper, Diane Talley, Kenneth George, Pr. Michael Domenech, Kent Safarik.

Our Shut Ins:

Grace Bulgerin, Lydia Dowling, Mary Miller, Lorene Prinz, Geraldine Steger, Joanne Rummel, Lomis Weber, Carol Lantzsch, Lisa Cox, Dorothy Grimm, Geraldine Cox, Carolyn Jacobson, Ella Kuhl.

Our family, friends, and loved ones:

Alma Russell, Rachel Maloy, Alexander Dockwiler, Tori Harris and baby, Andrea Carrizales, Christi Williams, Melissa Balderas, Andrea Ripple, Mary Perez, Iris Rangel and family, Wayne Ging, Kelly Clines Thompson, Rob Randig, Laurie Kirven, Gayla Lantzsch, Fred Bittner, Tommy Harrison, Rhonda Aikey, Walter Moldenhauer, Tanuya Ellard, Sandra Milburn, Ben McCuk, Adam Eubank, Jessica Hall, Brandi Oliver.

Assisted Living/Nursing Home:

SPJST Assisted Living:

Geraldine Cox
Grace Bulgerin
Carol Lantzsch
Lydia Dowling

Taylor SPJST Nursing Home:

Geraldine Steger
Mary Miller

Poet's Walk:

Joanne Rummel

Will-O-Bell (Barlett):

Ella Kuhl

Brookdale Assisted Living:

Carolyn Jacobson

Trinity Care Center (Round Rock):

Lorene Prinz

80th Birthdays & Above

Gloria Bartosh	3/25/29	95 Yrs
Kenneth George	3/14/38	86 Yrs
Lonnie Raschke	3/27/40	84 Yrs

MARCH



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

25th Anniversary:
None

30th Anniversary :
None

40th Anniversary:
None

50th Anniversaries & Above
None

1 - LUKE 21-22

2 - LUKE 23-24

3 - PSALM 24-26

4 - JOHN 1-2

5 - JOHN 3-4

6 - JOHN 5

7 - JOHN 6-7

8 - JOHN 8-9

9 - JOHN 10

Daily Bible Reading Guide

MARCH

10 - PSALM 27-29

11 - JOHN 11-12

12 - JOHN 13-14

13 - JOHN 15

14 - JOHN 16-17

15 - JOHN 18-19

16 - JOHN 20-21

17 - PSALM 30-32

18 - ACTS 1-2

19 - ACTS 3-4

20 - ACTS 5-6

21 - ACTS 7-8

22 - ACTS 9-10

23 - ACTS 11-12

24 - PSALM 33-35

25 - ACTS 13-14

26 - ACTS 15-16

27 - ACTS 17-18

28 - ACTS 19-20

29 - ACTS 21

30 - ACTS 22

31 - PSALM 36-38

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401 W. 7th Street



Name: _____

Phone: _____

I want to give _____ (number) of Lily plant(s) to decorate our church for Easter. The plants are **\$12 each**, and must be ordered **by Monday, March 25 at 1:00pm**. Please include payment with this order.

My Easter Lily is given in memory of: _____

My Easter Lily is given in honor of: _____
AND/OR

My Easter Lily is given in thankfulness to God.
(Only the person's name who is giving the plant will be listed.)

Number of lilies ordered: _____

x \$12

Total enclosed _____

You may put this form in the offering plate, give it to an usher, or mail it to the church, 401 W. 7th St., Taylor, 76574.

Dates to Remember in March

 PALM SUNDAY

Sunday March 24, 2024

 MAUNDY
Thursday

Thursday March 28, 2024

 Good Friday

Friday March 29, 2024

 Easter
SUNDAY
He is Risen

Sunday March 31, 2024