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St. Paul Lutheran Church News & Views

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April 2026

Readers for April:

- Apr 5th - Sharon Naivar
- Apr 12th - Terry Richter
- Apr 19th - Chris Rohlack
- Apr 26th - Paula Safarik

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Of The
Month



Church Financial Summary

	March (thru 3/22/26)	Annual/Cumulative
Monthly Budget	\$26,388	\$79,164
Monthly Contributions	\$15,831	\$68,252

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

Dates to Remember in April



Thursday April 2, 2026



Friday April 3, 2026



Sunday April 5, 2026

St. Paul Lutheran Child Development Center

April



CDC NEWSLETTER

The CDC will be celebrating Easter on Thursday, April 2nd with classroom parties, an Easter egg hunt in the Wehby playground complete with a visit from the Easter Bunny. We will post pictures in the May newsletter.

The CDC will be closed on Good Friday, April 3rd.

Spring break was in March but it is always a fun time with all the activities the teachers have planned for the children. The school age children painted rocks to put in the flower bed. They made plans for their garden that we are going to once again.

The last day of spring break some of the children walked to the Taylor Library to attend the Touch A Truck event. Here are a few pictures:



Everyone have a blessed Easter with their families and loved ones.
The CDC

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Church Statistics for March

Sunday Worship
Average Attendance
73



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,

My thanks to all of the volunteer readers, communion assistants, musicians and our Church Council members for their assistance with all the Holy Week and Easter worship services. As we move into our celebrations for Holy Week, we have before us a time of self-reflection for what our Savior went through for us. We often forget the human side of his suffering. The night in the Caiaphas house dungeon. The abuse at the hands of the Roman Soldiers, as well as the vocal rejection of his ministry by the crowds calling for his crucifixion. Think of Jesus carrying his own cross, being whipped, his hands nailed to a cross, the constant shifting of his body simply to breathe and the thirst. This Jesus suffered for each one of us, so that we can be made righteous again in spite of all our sins.

Holy Week is a message for us showing of the depth of God's love for each of us. We can look forward to the assurance of eternal life on Easter through the resurrection of Jesus by God the Father.

On April 20, our Seniors will have the opportunity to experience the Aggieland Safari. We will travel through the Zoo via Safari bus and observe the animals. Then we will do a Walk About through the Zoo and have an opportunity to feed the animals.



To receive the best pricing, we need to order our tickets online. We will travel to Bryan and visit the Aggieland Safari on Monday, April 20. We will leave the St. Paul House Parking Lot at 9:15 AM arriving at Bryan about one and half hours later. We will have lunch in Bryan and then travel to Aggieland for our safari. We should return home around 4:30 PM. You can check out all the activities at Aggieland Safari at: www.aggielandsafari.com

Please call Jason, our Church Administrator Monday through Thursday morning at 512-352-2327 or Pastor George at 812-259-2530 to confirm your reservation for our senior outing.

New Sweden Lutheran Church in Manor will be celebrating their 150th Anniversary on April 26. Watch the bulletin for further details

My Pastor's Bible Study will resume on Wednesday April 8 at 2:00 PM in the St. Paul House Conference Room. We will continue our study and discussions on the Revelation to St. John.

As we move through Holy Week and into our Easter Season celebrations, may we continue to be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Lent has given us time to quiet down and reflect on our spiritual lives. Now during the Easter Season, we can focus serving our Lord Jesus in new ways. It is always my joy to support you as you pray, explore the Holy Scriptures and refocus on Jesus' teachings on a day-by-day basis. Working together, we can truly change the world in the name of Jesus.

Blessings,

Pastor George



Too Good to Keep Locked Up





It has been more than a decade since I pastored a church and experienced the special blessing it is to lead a community of faith in the Resurrection celebration on Easter morning. If you are a pastor, then you likely know what I mean. I remember fondly the anxious anticipation for crowds of people to gather and worship the risen Lord. As many pastors do, on Saturday night I would sit alone in an empty sanctuary and pray for God to fill the church and bring together those who needed to hear the Easter story anew. Sunday dawn would rise and with it, excitement as the church filled with all the familiar faces and many new ones, too. The greetings would ring out: "Christ is Risen! – He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" Easter lilies adorned the sanctuary and special music triumphantly proclaimed God's glory. For those of us entrusted to preach, it is a special privilege to share the greatest story ever told to a full room of eager listeners. All around the church on Easter Sunday there is a joy that is so powerful and uplifting.

But just seven days later, on the Second Sunday of Easter, I would often wonder, "What happened?" What happened to the joy and enthusiasm? What happened to the crowds and the packed sanctuary? What happened to all that was special the week before? For those who follow the lectionary, the Second Sunday in Easter centers on the story of Jesus breaking in on the disciples who gathered together on Easter evening. After the crucifixion and the discovery of the empty tomb, the disciples were confused and afraid. They had heard the reports from Mary Magdalene, but the fear had not yet become faith. So, they locked themselves in the Upper Room. And then Jesus appeared. He stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." He showed them his hands and his side. John tells us simply that the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. But Jesus was not only there to comfort them amid their fear and confusion. And he wasn't just there to prove that he was alive. Jesus was also there to send them out. He said it again: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, I am also sending you." And he breathed on them: "Receive the Holy Spirit."

On Jesus' word, the locked room was transformed from a place of hiding into a place of sending. The peace Jesus spoke did not only quiet their fears, it redirected them with a mission. The disciples who were paralyzed by what happened to Jesus were now mobilized to share the Good News of Jesus to the world. But this is the part of the Easter story that is so easy to miss: The resurrection is not only an event to celebrate; it is the Good News we are sent to proclaim. Just as the Father sent Jesus, Jesus sends us. And he sends us not with our own courage or confidence, but with his peace, presence, power, and purpose.

In Lent we embark on an inward journey of repentance that leads us outward – set free to witness. In Easter, we celebrate the fulfillment of our freedom in the death and resurrection of Jesus. The empty tomb confirms the Good News of sins forgiven, death defeated, and new life in Christ – news too good to keep behind locked doors.

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.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	 <p>10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM 4:00pm Food drive hosted by the St. Paul Lutheran Church for the benefit of Shepherd's Heart Food Pantry - St. Paul House Parking Lot</p>	30 8:00am Church Office - Open	31 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:30pm Scouts - Fellowship Hall	1 8:00am Church Office - Open 8:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time	2 8:00am Church Office - Open  12:00pm Maundy Thursday Service - with Communion - Sanctuary 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service - with Communion - Sanctuary	3 Church Office Closed  Pastor's Day Off 12:00pm Good Friday Service - Sanctuary 6:30pm Good Friday Service - Sanctuary	4 Pastor's Day Off
5	 <p>7:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM</p>	6 8:00am Church Office - Open 10:30am Communion at SPJST	7 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg - Brenham 6:30pm Scouts - Fellowship Hall	8 8:00am Church Office - Open 8:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study	9 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am Ruth Circle Meeting	10 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	11 Pastor's Day Off
12	<p>9:00am Handbell Choir Practice - Sanctuary 10:00am Worship - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM</p>	13 8:00am Church Office - Open	14 8:00am Church Office - Open 6:30pm Scouts - Fellowship Hall	15 8:00am Church Office - Open 8:30am Folding Bulletins 11:30am Ruth Circle Birthday Lunch - Sirloin Stockade 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study	16 8:00am Church Office - Open	17 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	18 Pastor's Day Off
19	<p>10:00am Worship with Holy Communion - Sanctuary 11:00am Brunch, Sunday School, Confirmation and Adult Education 12:00pm Radio - KRXT 98.5 FM</p>	20 8:00am Church Office - Open Newsletter Articles Due 9:15am Senior Quilting - Aggieiland Salan	21 8:00am Church Office - Open 9:30am LCMC Pr Cluster Mtg - Rockdale 6:30pm Council Meeting - St. Paul House 6:30pm Scouts - Fellowship Hall	22 8:00am Church Office - Closed 8:30am Folding Bulletins 1:30pm Prayer Time 2:00pm Pastor's Bible Study	23 8:00am Church Office - Closed	24 Church Office Closed Pastor's Day Off	25 Pastor's Day Off
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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:

Larry Wilson, Diane, Glenn Minzenmayer, Katy Safarik, Mark Lindell, Olin Tiemann, Kent Safarik.

Our Shut Ins:

Aileen Bunge, Mary Miller, Cynthia Beran, David Kuempel, Gloria Bartosh, Carol Lantzsch, Inez Sladek, Grace Bulgerin, Mary Miller, Geraldine Steger, Lomis Weber, Lisa Cox, Geraldine Cox.

Our family, friends, and loved ones:

Magni Oskarsson, Karen Parker, Rick Mosley, Don Williams, Hazel Chasak, Bill Cody, Randel Duelm, Penny Dittman, Alan Debus, Robert Harty, Authur Moreno, Jack Dismukes, Calvin and Rosalie Jechow, Sandra Milner, Dora Brittian, Ryan Richey, Mary Perez, 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

Trinity Care Round Rock:

David Kuempel

80th Birthdays & Above

Grace Bulgerin	4/28/31	95 Yrs
Joanne Rummel	4/11/33	93 Yrs
Janell Rohlack	4/25/33	93 Yrs
Bonnie George	4/14/45	81 Yrs

APRIL



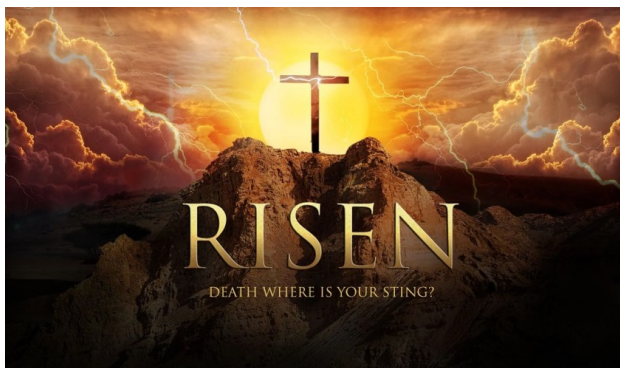
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

25th Anniversary:
None

30th Anniversary :
None

40th Anniversary:
None

50th Anniversaries & Above
None



Easter Sunday - April 5

Service at 7 am and 10 am in the Sanctuary

No Brunch, Sunday School, confirmation or Adult Ed

On Easter our 10:00 am service will begin with a flowering of the cross in the altar area at the front of the church. Children are welcome to participate. Immediately following the 10:00 am service, there will be an Easter egg hunt for the children.

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The Scouts joined us during March for a celebration of Scout Sunday

