

***The Messenger***

February 2020

***The People of St. Paul gather…………***

The Annual Meeting is a chance for us to look back and celebrate how God has been at work in this community in the past year. As you know, we at St. Paul gather to worship, reach out and serve the Lord. Here’s a look at how we’ve done that in the past year:

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**Opportunities to Serve**

**February 2020 Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**Birthdays**

**February 1- Angie Zehr**

**February 1 – Bobbi Jo Snyder**

**February 6 – Colton Bauknecht**

**February 7 – Robert Snyder**

**February 8 – Samuel Edinger**

**February 11 – Brock Claypool**

**February 16 – Mary Estes**

**February 22 – Jim Erickson**

**February 23 – Myrna Dixon**

**February 24 – Jon Solberg**

**February 25 – Gail Thorson**

**February 27 – Grace Gschwendtner**

**Anniversaries**

**February 21- Ed and Maurine Gentes (1954)**

Boys and Girls Club Ministry!

Fourth Fridays of Each month

3:15-4:15 @Boys & Girls Club

Play Games and Enjoy Treats!

See Julie Mehlberg for more information!

Come Join Us!!



We will be participating in the “works of love” food collection for the food pantry. We will start collecting March 1st!

**2020 Lenten Journey!**  Take some time this Lenten season to meditate on the Lenten disciplines and set aside one hour on Wednesday night for fellowship and a time of worship!

**“Tons of Food for a Ton of Good 3.0”**

**Sign up on the kiosk** for our **team challenge** for “works of love” which will involve a friendly competition of food collection for the food pantry! A list of points and food needed will be shared! We will **start collecting March 1**! Teams will be named**: Gather, Worship, Reach Out, and Serve.** Renew old and new relationships by joining a team this Lenten Season!

**Here is our Lenten schedule!**

**February 26** – Ash Wednesday Service offered at 11:00 AM and 6:30 PM

**March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1** - Light supper at 5:30 and Lenten Worship Service from 6:00-6:30 PM

**April 5 –** Passion Sunday

**April 9** – Maundy Thursday at 6:30 PM

**April 10** – Good Friday at 6:30 PM

**April 12** – Easter Worship at 10:00 AM

Breakfast / Easter Egg Hunt at 9:00 AM

**\*\* Please note Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday evening services begin at 6:30 PM**

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Tracy Leach is the flower chairperson for the months of January and February. If you would like to donate flowers on a particular Sunday in memory of or in honor of someone, please sign your name on the Flower Chart located on the kiosk, and write a check, payable to St. Paul Lutheran Church, for $25.00, noting on the check that it is for altar flowers, and County Market will deliver the flowers to the church. If you have questions, contact Tracy.



**Reminder:**

**Health and Wellness Sunday is the third Sunday of each month.**

Mary Leach or one of our many parish nurses will be on hand before and after worship on these Sundays to check blood pressures, blood sugars, and help you form questions for your health professional should you have need.



***Our Mission Statement:***

*The People of St. Paul*

*Gather to worship,*

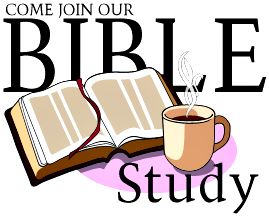
*Reach out,*

*and serve the Lord.*

The Rebecca Circle will meet on Thursday, February 20th, at 1:30 p.m in the fellowship hall. Carol Thorson will be the hostess. Mil Girard will give the devotions. Jean Harrison will be giving the lesson “We are Called-Disciples of Christ”. Jesus invites us all to take up the cross and follow him. Ginger Bauknecht will be giving the offering meditation. If you would like to join us for this time of fellowship and Bible study, we would invite you to join us at this meeting.



"Are you interested in joining a new bible study at St. Paul? Pastor Mathew will be leading a bible study. Dates and Times will be announced. Questions? Email, call or text Pastor Mathew."





The Bibles & Bagels group will meet on Thursday, February 13th at 9:30 a.m. at Edinger’s Filling Station. Any woman who would like to attend this informal bible study is welcome to come to this meeting.

**Prayer Chain and Prayer Requests…..**

Just a reminder that if you would like to have someone added to our prayer chain, please contact Pastor Mathew and Julie Mehlberg. If your prayers are answered, we would appreciate knowing that as well, so names can be removed when it is appropriate. Thank you in advance!

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**Reminder…**

If you are using the church facility for a church-related meeting, please remember to add it on the calendar in the office or let the Administrative Assistant know. All other functions or community-service organizations please fill out a Facility Use Sheet. Thank you!



**Council 2019**

President – Sara Solberg

Vice President – Julie Mehlberg

Secretary – Lori Bristow

Building/Grounds – Janice Schmidt

Building Community – Mary Leach

Finance and Stewardship – Jake Dixon

Lifelong Learning – Tonya Wilcox

Worship and Music – Shelly Heller

**LEO (Let’s Eat Out!)** The 3rd Wednesday of each month anyone **not** wanting to cook supper is welcome to join other church members in eating out. Each month we will pick a different place. All are welcome! The more the merrier. LEO will be held at Baby Bulls at 5:30 p.m.



**New Council Nominations**

Please prayerfully consider being part of the church council team for 2021! Nominations for Vice-President, Secretary, Building and Grounds team liaisons need to be filled. Two Northeast Conference Assembly delegates, Two Central/Southern Illinois Synod Assembly delegates and Auditors also need to be filled. Please contact anyone in the nominating team: Janice Schmidt, Lori Bristow or Marty Heller if you have any questions and feel called to serve!

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**February 2020**

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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| **9a.m.** Adult Sunday School  **10a.m.** Worship- *“Around the Rail” communion”* |  |  | . |  |  |  |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| **9a.m.** Adult Sunday School  Confirmation Class  **10a.m.** Worship-  *“Red bag” offering* | Council Meeting at **6:00 p.m.** |  |  | Bibles & Bagels  **9:30 a.m** |  |  |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| **9a.m.** Adult  Sunday School  **10a.m.** Worship  *Health & Wellness*  Fun & Fellowship **2-4 p.m.** |  |  | LEO at Baby Bull’s at **5:30 p.m.** | Rebecca Circle **1:30 p.m.** |  |  |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| **9a.m.** Adult  Sunday School  Confirmation Class  **10a.m.** Worship |  |  | Ash Wednesday service **11 a.m**. and **6:30 p.m**. |  | Boys & Girls Club  **3:15 p.m**. |  |

**WORSHIP SERVERS**

**February 2, 2020**

Minister— Pastor Mathew Berger

Steward- Mary Leach

Musician— Sandy Erickson

Lector— Rosemary Sutton

Psalms— Kaylee Delheimer

Acolyte— Kaylee Delheimer

Ushers— Susan Curtiss & Pat Lund

Greeters—Marty Heller & Nathan Joerndt

Prayers— Jeanne Rapp

Comm. Prep— Kris Lambert

Comm. Asst— Shelly & Marty Heller

Hospitality—Pat Lund, Carol Thorson & Rose Mary Erickson

SS Teacher – Carrie Delheimer

Counters –Marvin Miller & Jean Harrison

**February 9, 2020**

Minister—Pastor Mathew Berger

Steward— Brad Solberg

Musician— Sara Solberg

Lector— Lori Bristow

Psalms— Charlee Wilcox

Acolyte—Charlee Wilcox

Ushers – Janice Schmidt & Cory & Meghan Schott

Greeters—Ginger Bauknecht & Jean Harrison

Prayers—Kathy Rygh

Comm. Prep— Becky Edinger

Comm. Asst.- Marvin Miller & Mark Mackinson

Hospitality—Jessica Mills & Dawn Boitnott

SS Teacher – Tonya Wilcox

Counters – Jake Dixon & Mark Mackinson

* **PLEASE NOTE THAT IT IS NOW YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND YOUR OWN SUBSTITUTE IF FOR ANY REASON YOU ARE UNABLE TO SERVE ON THE DATE ASSIGNED. IF YOU ARE FILLING IN FOR SOMEEONE, PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOU LET THE WORSHIP STEWARD KNOW WHO YOU ARE FILLING IN FOR AND WHAT POSITION YOU ARE FILLING. THANK YOU.**

**February 16, 2020**

Minister— Pastor Mathew Berger

Steward— Brad Solberg

Musician— Sara Solberg

Lector— Kaylee Delheimer

Psalms—Brooklyn Delheimer

Acolyte— Brooklyn Delheimer

Ushers— Ellen & Sam Lambert

Greeters—Ed & Maurine Gentes

Prayers— Julie Mehlberg

Comm. Prep— Jan Cahill

Comm. Asst—Sandy Erickson & Carol Thorson

Hospitality—Mil Girard & Sara Solberg

SS Teacher – Blayne Dixon

Counters- Carrie Delheimer & Cody Leach

**February 23, 2020**

Minister—Pastor Mathew Berger

Steward—John Mehlberg

Musician—Julie Mehlberg

Lector– Jessica Mills

Psalms—Emma Richardt

Acolyte—Emma Richardt

Ushers—Becky & Jimm Edinger

Greeters—Blayne Dixon & Pat Lund

Prayers –Tracy Leach

Comm. Prep—Ginger Bauknecht

Comm. Asst—Mary & Denny Leach

Hospitality—Anita Klein & Danita Lewis

SS Teacher – Mary Leach

Counters -Denny Leach & Marty Heller