



# THE MESSENGER

St. Paul Lutheran Church

## A Message from Pastor Mathew

I am on paternity leave this week, so in this season of Pentecost, I'll share Martin Luther's reflections on the Holy Spirit as he offered his explanations of the Apostles' Creed.

May you be filled with God's Spirit to live in faith, hope, and love.

*-Pastor Mathew*

"I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

What is this? or What does this mean? I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true."

*-An explanation of a portion of the Third Article of the Apostles' Creed From Luther's Small Catechism.*



***The people of St. Paul gather to worship, reach out, and serve the Lord.***

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

June 2 – Donna Buckler  
June 2 – Marty Heller  
June 5 – Lu Westermeyer  
June 6 – Betsy Westergreen  
June 15 – Lonny Wilcox  
June 22 – David Erickson  
June 23 – Andrew Leach  
June 24 - Kaylee Delheimer  
June 24 – Alexis Green  
June 24 – Keith Hendershott  
June 30 – Tiffany Aull  
June 30 – Doug Oliver  
June 6 – Robert & Bobbi Jo Snyder (1998)  
June 7 – Dan & Sara Gschwendtner (1997)  
June 19 – Tom & Linda Harms (1976)  
June 21 – Michael & Cindy Nourie (2008)  
June 23 – Ted & Ginger Bauknecht (1963)  
June 27 – John & Julie Mehlberg (1982)  
June 28 – Jim & Brenda Russow (1987)  
June 30 – Brad & Sara Solberg (1990)  
June 30- Jake & Blayne Dixon (2018)



## Prayer Chain Requests

If you would like someone added to our prayer chain, please contact Pastor Mathew, Julie Mehlberg, or Angie in the office. Please let them know when names should be removed from the prayer list as well.

## Community Closet at St. Paul August 7, 2021 8 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Beginning the first of July, we will collect gently used and clean clothing for all ages. Please encourage your friends and family members to donate to the Community Closet. Items can be dropped off at church and placed in the south-east classroom. We will also need many volunteers to help! This is another great way to be the hands and feet of Jesus for those in our community who are in need! Please see Mary Leach or e-mail the church office if you are interested in helping!

## Flower Donations

We order fresh flowers for worship from County Market. Please sign up on the flower chart if you would like to donate for a two-week span. Please write your check for \$25 to St. Paul Lutheran and put “flowers” on the memo line. We thank you in advance for helping to make our worship space beautiful to bring honor and glory to God.

### **Congregational Council**

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