

◆ Pastor Stephen Zeller.....

## PASTOR'S PAGE

### Do You?

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

- to live among God's faithful people,
- to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
- to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
- and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

On Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, we were able to witness the traditional Rite of Confirmation as part of the worship service. The more accurate name for this event is Affirmation of Baptism.

In our Lutheran tradition, we believe that Baptism is a sign of the saving grace God has offered and is offering in our lives and in the world. We baptize people of all ages - newborn babies to older adults - because it's not about anything we've done, but rather what God has done. In that sacrament the baptized person is surrounded, not only by the pastor and their family, but by sponsors, godparents, the congregation, and the whole body of Christ. If the person being baptized is unable to speak for themselves, then promises are made on behalf of them by those surrounding and supporting them.

The annual Rite of Confirmation, then, is an opportunity for the youth of our church to affirm the promises that were made on their behalf. It's the time that we, while not walking away from them, are placing the responsibility of those promises into their own hands. It's truly a gift to witness this event.

However, it's not just a one-time event. Those youth and all of us are invited - each and every day - to affirm and renew those baptismal promises. Not by being rebaptized, but by remembering what God is doing and how we respond in every day of our life.



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# IN THE CHURCH

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I encourage you to think about those promises for yourself, here and now, so that you also can answer: *I will, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

## **SATURDAY CASUAL SERVICE**

Saturday worship begins at **5:30pm** in the Chapel. There will be no service on the 3rd Saturday of every month. Welcome!



## **“ONE STITCH AT A TIME”**



The Sewing Group will meet every **Monday** at 9:00 am in the Gathering Space. All are welcome to join!

## **HEALTH CARE**

The Benton County Health Department will be here every **Thursday** from 8:00am until 10:00am to assist you with your health care needs.



## **WORSHIP AND MUSIC**



The Worship and Music Committee will meet on **June 10th @ 2:30 pm** in the Meeting Room.

## **COUNCIL MEETING**

The Church Council will meet on **June 10th** at 6:00 pm in the Meeting Room.



## **ESTHER CIRCLE**



The Esther Circle will meet on Monday, **June 15th** at Janice Gerken's Home at 7:00 p.m.

## **SUNBEAM**

The Sunbeam Committee will meet on Wednesday, **June 24th** at 3:00pm in the Gathering Space.



## **ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**A "New Look" for our traditional annual Ice Cream Social.** The Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, **June 28**, with **new hours of 11:00 am -1:00 pm**. The social will take in an atmosphere of a "Sunday Picnic", with grilled hamburgers and hot dogs (also chili dogs), chips, drinks (tea, lemonade and water), and the traditional good ole' ice cream, pies, and cakes. Invitations will be extended to area churches and throughout the community. Come and enjoy the picnic atmosphere, good food and fellowship!!



# IN THE CHURCH

## ST. PAUL'S LITTLE BLESSINGS PRESCHOOL

is accepting new enrollments for the upcoming preschool year 2026-27. Our preschool curriculum is designed for children aged 3 and 4 years (children are to have turned to age 3 by July 1). In the upcoming year, we will be expanding our classroom time to to three mornings weekly (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday – 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.). The preschool kiddos will meet once again in the classroom just off our Fellowship Hall.



Annette Vogel will be our lead teacher, with Winter Dieckman assisting. Both come with many years of experience with preschool and day care children. With the increased classroom time, the monthly tuition will be raised to \$90. With the enrollment form, the following must be submitted:

- ◆ An enrollment fee of \$25 (used for materials)
- ◆ A physical exam
- ◆ Birth Certificate
- ◆ Immunization record

For questions, please contact Annette Vogel (816-500-3999) or Janice Gerken (660-281-7380).

## SAVE THE DATE

The Osage Cluster Meeting for the Women of the ELCA will be held on Saturday, **June 13, 2026** at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Camdenton, MO. Registration will begin at 9:00. The theme of the meeting will be "Vessels of God's Grace". Our own Pastor Kim will be leading our morning Bible Study. Kim will also be available for a book signing of her new book "**Small Steps**". Our keynote speaker will be Pastor Jenny Jackson. Pastor Jenny will be sharing her reflections of her recent and exciting trip to our Companion Synod in Papua New Guinea (Kotte District) in November. Following lunch, we will participate in an interactive craft project. We will adjourn at 1:30 p.m. Hope many will join us for the morning!! Any questions, contact Janice.



## IN THE CHURCH

### **BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING DRIVE AND SALE**

We will collect donations of gently used clothing this summer for the Back-to-School Clothing Sale on August 1<sup>st</sup>. We will begin to collect those donations the weekend of the city-wide garage sales on June 6<sup>th</sup>. The current plan is to have an enclosed trailer parked behind the church building where donations can be dropped off at any time. Once that trailer is filled, donations can be left inside the building, which will be opened during office hours or other church activities. There will be signs pointing to those drop-off locations. Thank you for your support!

### **BIBLES AVAILABLE**

In our worship life here at St. Paul's, we most often hear scripture read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Bible. Recently that translation has been updated to the New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition (NRSVue), which we are now hearing in worship. That also means the study bibles we were using in our Confirmation class were updated as well and they are no longer printing the

older NRSV version. We purchased the new ones (NRSVue) this past year for our confirmation students, but have several of the old versions on hand and would like to find new homes for them. These are softcover Lutheran Study Bibles, NRSV, from Augsburg Fortress. They are a terrific resource with wonderful study notes and more included. New copies cost \$33 (\$45 for the hardcover). We have some copies that are slightly used and some brand new still in the wrapping. A donation would be appreciated (but not required) to go toward the purchase of new copies for next year's Confirmation class (maybe \$10, or whatever you are comfortable contributing). If you would like a copy of the old version, please talk to Pastor Stephen.

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For information on Choice Dollars visit [Thrivent.com/choicedollars](http://Thrivent.com/choicedollars) or call 1-800-847-4836 and say, "Thrivent Choice".





# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

## **COMMUNITY FISH FRY WITH THE COLE CAMP AREA CHURCH ALLIANCE**

The Church Alliance will once again hold their Community Fish Fry on Saturday, **July 11<sup>th</sup>**, from 5:00-7:00 pm. It will be held at the First Baptist Church of Cole Camp. As this is a community effort with all the area churches participating, ***WE NEED YOUR HELP!!*** Could you volunteer some time that day to help set up or serve? Could you provide a homemade dessert? (We only need four!) Please let Pastor Stephen or Joyce Schlesselmann know if you are available to help with the event. Also, ***mark your calendar*** to come attend this great event. Thank you!

## **SALVATION ARMY KIDS MEALS**

For the past few years, the Salvation Army of Benton County has been providing weekly kids meals to families with children to help supplement their food needs. Last year they provided over 41,000 meals to hundreds of families across our county during the summer months!! They expect that number to grow even bigger this year, and with the rising grocery costs they will need our help. If you would like to financially contribute to this effort, you can include that in your offering at church (designated for Kids Meals) or mail it directly to: Salvation Army, PO Box 1432, Warsaw, MO 65355 (be sure to mark your donation as "Kids Meals.")



# COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

## DISCERNMENT EVENT

Have you ever felt a nudge to explore ways that God might be calling you to serve the church? Maybe through lay ministry, ordained ministry, or anywhere in between. Do you know someone who has gifts to serve the church whom you could encourage? Pastor Chad Langdon, Bishop's Associate with the Central States Synod, will be hosting a casual Discernment Event at different locations throughout Missouri and Kansas. Our local event will be from **7:00 pm on Friday, June 19**, through **4:00 pm on Saturday, June 20**, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 442 W US Hwy 54, in Camdenton. There is no cost, breakfast and lunch on Saturday are provided, and a hotel room can be provided if needed. You can register online at [www.css-elca.org/discernment](http://www.css-elca.org/discernment) by **June 14**. Other dates and locations are available if you cannot make that weekend. There is a flyer on the bulletin board in the Link or talk to Pastor Stephen with any questions.





# BIBLE CAMP

## MID-MO BIBLE CAMP

This year's Mid-MO Bible Camp will be **Sunday, July 12th - Thursday, July 16th**, at the usual location, Camp Rising Sun in Lake of the Ozarks State Park. It's for youth who this summer have completed 4th - 9th grades. Friends are invited! Cost is \$100 per camper, and St. Paul's will pay for half of the fee for our members and friends. Registration forms are on the usher's stands at church and are due by **June 27th**.

As always, adult volunteers are welcome and needed throughout the week. Can you help prepare a meal (or two?), assist with setting up Sunday afternoon or cleaning up Thursday morning? Do you have lifeguard skills to offer on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday? Can you offer homemade cookies, or help in any other way? If so, please let Pastor Stephen know so he can pass on that information.

Summer  
CAMP

**Camp Tomah Shinga** is our Lutheran camp here in mid-Missouri. Located in Junction City, Kansas, this camp has served the Central States Synod for more than a half century. Less than a four hour drive away, this camp offers many opportunities throughout the summer for youth campers of all ages. Check out what they have to offer at <https://camptomahshinga.com>.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us for Vacation Bible School **July 20-24!** Youth from Pre-K (potty-trained, please!) through 6th grade are invited to a fun week of VBS for the theme of "Magnified" where we will explore God's awesome creation to discover just how big and powerful God really is! We'll gather each evening from 6:00-8:30 pm here at St. Paul's for fun activities, games, crafts, snacks, stories, songs, and more! Mark your calendars! A link for online registration will be posted to the church's Facebook page and website in early June.



## WELCA

### Women of the ELCA Meeting April 1, 2026

The St. Paul's Women of the ELCA met in the chapel on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Janice Gerken called the meeting to order. As the secretary was not present, the approval of the minutes was tabled until our next meeting in July. There was correspondence from various agencies who received our donations in the first quarter. In addition, there was a "Thank You" from the Good Samaritan Care Center for the cookies delivered to the center for the residents and staff and the cinnamon rolls for the staff in our appreciation of all they do for our loved ones. Rhonda Schlesselman presented the Treasurer's Report reviewing the transactions of the first quarter. She noted the following: Esther Circle offerings for 2025 - \$217.00 and the Thank Offerings for 2025 - \$700.00. The unit donated a total of \$4,200 to 17 agencies throughout the area. The balance as of March 31, 2026 is \$5,450.00. Jeannette VonHolten made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Glenalee Dillon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Thank yous were extended to all

who helped with set-up, clean-up, and those donating soups or sandwich spreads. Our serving was lower than previous years, averaging about 20-22. However, several have commented that we should have soup suppers more often other than during Lent.

Thank yous were also extended to all who brought cookies and helped with serving for fellowship after the Lenten services.

#### **New Business:**

A HUGE Thank you was given to Glenalee Dillon, Sharel Wienberg, and Debbie Vaughn for their planning and food preparation for the Little Blessings Day Care fundraiser. Excellent turnout - 150+ Generous desserts were donated (many from individuals who had not signed up) Many helped with serving and clean-up. \$4,408.00 was raised for our Little Blessings!!

The revamping of the Annual Ice Cream Social was discussed. Based on the success of the Little Blessings Day Care fundraiser, it was discussed to hold the Ice Cream Social after worship on Sunday, June 28. A picnic atmosphere will be added to the Social with the serving of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs/chili dogs, chips and





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perhaps baked beans. Tea, lemonade, and water will be served. We will round out the picnic/social with our traditional pies, cakes and ICE CREAM. As only three attended the meeting, no decision was made regarding the recipients of the Picnic/Social. A decision will be made at a brief meeting after worship.

The upcoming Mid-Missouri Gathering on Saturday, April 25, 2026 was discussed. The St. Paul's ladies is responsible for selling raffle tickets for the patriotic throw donated by Mary Kern (Christ & Trinity, Sedalia). We are also responsible for collecting the offering, the offering prayer, and the offering report. As only three ladies were present, a decision regarding the offering amount and in-kind donation will be decided at an after worship meeting.

**Reminders:**

The next quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

The Spring Mid-MO Gathering will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Russellville, MO, on Saturday, April 25.

**Meeting adjourned.**

## Women of the ELCA Special Meeting

**April 12, 2026**

The St. Paul's Women of the ELCA met briefly following worship on Sunday, April 12. The following business was transacted: The ladies were in agreement to revamp the traditional Ice Cream to a Picnic/Social event to be held after worship on June 25, 2025.

A motion was made by Sharel Wienberg that the recipients of the freewill offering from the Picnic/Social will be the Fred Kreisel family, who recently lost their home due to a fire and the Cole Camp Swimming Pool. Rhonda Schlesselman seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jeannette VonHolten made a motion to give \$50 for the offering of the Women of the ELCA Mid-Missouri Gathering and \$100 for the in-kind donation to the Central Missouri Food Bank. Sharel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

# JUNE ACTIVITY PAGE





# DETAILED TREASURER'S REPORT

## Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

	Actual Thru April 30	Annual Budget	Over (Under) Budget	% of Budget	Target %
<b>Benevolence Receipts</b>					<b>Note A</b>
ELCA	2,020.00	7,400.00	-5,380.00	27.3%	
World Hunger	-	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%	
Hope 5 One	3,321.00	2,500.00	821.00	132.84%	
Little Blessings	3,071.00	2,500.00			
CC Food Pantry Dona- tions	736.46	1,500.00	-763.54	49.1%	
Seniors of North Benton County		-	-	0.0%	
Other	-	-	-	0.0%	
<b>Total Benevolence Receipts</b>	<b>9,148.46</b>	<b>15,900.00</b>	<b>-6,751.54</b>	<b>57.54%</b>	
<b>Offering</b>					
HP Offering	71,070.25	234,843.00	-163,772.75	30.26%	33.33%
Building Fund 5%	3,740.56	12,360.00	-8,619.44	30.26%	33.33%
<b>Total Offering</b>	<b>74,810.81</b>	<b>247,203.00</b>	<b>-172,392.19</b>	<b>30.26%</b>	
Building Use	1,150.00	2,750.00	-1,600.00	41.82%	
Gifts & Bequests	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	100.0%	
Fair Stand, net		5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.0%	
Float		800.00	-800.00	0.0%	
Interest	1,947.53	0.00	1,947.53	100.0%	
Miiscellaneous	631.00	0.00	631.00	100.0%	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>92,687.80</b>	<b>271,653.00</b>	<b>-178,965.20</b>	<b>34.12%</b>	
Expenses	Note B				
	77,587.03	271,653.00	-194,065.97	28.56%	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>15,100.77</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>15,100.77</b>		

## Cash and Investment Balances - April 30, 2026

	Home Purpose Note C	Building	Memorial Note D	Crisis	Little Blessings Note E	Seminary
<b>Cash and Investment Balances</b>	90,909.55	66,001.03	20,184.62	3,574.04	79,602.92	8,888.22

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# TREASURER, CONTINUED

**Note A:** As of April 30, 2026, 33.33% of the year has elapsed. Offerings as a percent of budget are 30.26%% which indicates we are only about \$7,600 short of budgeted amounts. This is due to several large one-time offerings received during the first quarter.

**Note B:** Although expenses are less than income at April 30, we have not yet made any payment for property insurance this year.

**Note C:** Includes \$643.96 of Communities of Calling Funds.

**Note D:** Includes restricted amounts of \$15,000 for Little Blessings and \$1,512.75 for Sunday School.

**Note E:** Includes \$76,834.89 in grant funds.

## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Jake Jackson, .....	<i>President</i>
Justin Tinney, .....	<i>Vice-President /Evangelism</i>
Erin Oelrichs, .....	<i>Treasurer/Stewardship</i>
Susan Goosen, .....	<i>Secretary</i>
Melinda Strathman, .....	<i>Worship &amp; Music</i>
Lynn Schear, .....	<i>Parish Education</i>
Roy Wagner, .....	<i>Property</i>
Greg Bredehoeft, .....	<i>Property</i>
Kelly Viebrock, .....	<i>Property</i>
Stephen Zeller, .....	<i>Pastor</i>



◆ Send a note..... ◆

# NEEDS YOUR PRAYERS

<p>Kris Barnes (friend of Julie Cronin)</p> <p>Jon Beckman</p> <p>Deanna Browning</p> <p>Joe Campbell</p> <p>Scott Cash</p> <p>Cliff Eckhoff</p> <p>Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling)</p> <p>Jerome Goosen</p> <p>Adam Gumbel (son of Jim &amp; Kim Gumbel)</p> <p>Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman)</p> <p>Larry Haase (brother-in-law of Gene Beckman)</p> <p>Ellen Harms</p> <p>Kathy Harms</p> <p>Ken Holland</p> <p>Heidi Hopp (grandmother of Nicole Rice)</p>	<p>Gordon Ives</p> <p>Greg Ives</p> <p>Norene Ives</p> <p>Joyce Jones (sister of Connie Gerken)</p> <p>Jim Kammeyer</p> <p>Hazel Karstons</p> <p>Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan)</p> <p>Kyle Luetjen</p> <p>David Mobely (brother-in-law of Randy Healan)</p> <p>Dennis &amp; Claudia Moellman</p> <p>Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan)</p> <p>Kylie Simon</p> <p>Kevin Tatum</p> <p>Nathan Vanderlinden</p> <p>Judie VonHolten</p> <p>Mike Wingerter (brother of Susan Goosen)</p>
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***\*Nursing Home\****

- Vern Dean Bohling *(Anew #4)*
- Shirley Cash *(Anew #18)*
- Larry & Judy Schlesselman *(GSCC #302)*
- Eugene Beckman *(GSCC #309)*
- Arlene Schlesselman *(GSCC #213)*
- Florence VonHolten *(GSCC#207)*
- Earl Bauer *(Windsor Nursing Home #47)*



# MILITARY

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Rank E3 Jensen Hamilton

(son of Matt & Isabel Hamilton and  
grandson of Judie VonHolten)

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Private Braydn Hood

(grandson of Connie Gerken)

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◆ A Time To Celebrate..... ◆

# SPECIAL OCCASIONS



06/01 Marshall Harms  
 06/01 Nicole Rice  
 06/01 Gary Weller  
 06/02 Braxton Balke  
 06/02 Cliff Gerken  
 06/02 Victoria Kruep  
 06/04 Ethan Goosen  
 06/04 Cindy Schlesselman  
 06/06 Hudson Kullman  
 06/08 Kelly Crawford  
 06/08 Allen Oelrichs  
 06/08 Cory Rice  
 06/09 Brian Ipsen  
 06/11 Fabian Sangster  
 06/13 Tyler Daily  
 06/13 Kelly Viebrock  
 06/14 Wayne Balke  
 06/14 Victoria Belcher  
 06/14 Geraldine Pabst  
 06/16 Sara Jackson  
 06/16 Melinda Strathman  
 06/18 Joyce Wineinger  
 06/19 Ellen Harms  
 06/19 Justin Tinney  
 06/19 Robert Wienberg  
 06/22 Connie Gerken  
 06/22 Kevin Schlesselman  
 06/23 Gene Beckman  
 06/23 Delaney Betts  
 06/23 Ruth Ann Kreisel  
 06/24 Helen Tatum  
 06/24 Bill Viebrock  
 06/26 Sandra Balke

06/26 Marcus Harms  
 06/29 Mason Randall  
 06/30 Janelle Strathman



06/01 Cliff Gerken  
 06/01 Gary Weller  
 06/02 Chris Balke  
 06/02 Chad Schlesselman  
 06/02 Rachel Vansel  
 06/05 Alexis Smith  
 06/06 Adrienn Dieckman  
 06/06 Ila McIntyre  
 06/07 Lucas Eckhoff  
 06/10 Michael Brockfeld  
 06/10 Lily McIntyre  
 06/10 Scarlet Theisen  
 06/10 Michael Wissman  
 06/11 Cash McCameron  
 06/13 Kristy Steigerwalt  
 06/14 Angela Viebrock  
 06/14 Roy Wagner Sr.  
 06/16 Conway Kruep  
 06/17 Brittany Mullins  
 06/18 Weston Balke  
 06/18 Victoria Kruep  
 06/21 Dale Oelrichs  
 06/21 Jarrett Prince  
 06/22 James Cash  
 06/22 Robert Wienberg  
 06/24 Joshua Brandes  
 06/25 Kylie Prince  
 06/25 Jami Tatum  
 06/25 Jeri Tatum  
 06/27 Ralph Rehmer  
 06/28 Katie Cook





## SPECIAL OCCASIONS



- 06/02 Wally & Sherry Carbonneau (8)
- 06/03 Nicholas & Adrienn Dieckman (3)
- 06/03 Todd & Susan Rusk (37)
- 06/04 Jimmie & Stacy Barnes (32)
- 06/05 Randy & Jean Healan (56)
- 06/05 Kenneth & Sharon Holland (55)
- 06/10 Eric & Kyle Luetjen (26)
- 06/11 Brian & Stephanie Randall (15)
- 06/11 Nick & Meghann Smith (15)
- 06/13 Dennis & Claudia Moellmann (29)
- 06/15 Ryan & Kayla Sangster (13)
- 06/17 Jeff & Kristen Elliott (20)
- 06/18 Dustin & Amber Carver (10)
- 06/19 Joshua & Amy Yust (16)
- 06/24 Chester & Norma Schlesselman (37)
- 06/25 Gordon & Shelly Ives (43)
- 06/26 Jerry & Melisa Balke (44)
- 06/26 Joe & Janelle Strathman (16)
- 06/29 Tyler & Shaila Marquess (7)
- 06/29 Cody & Brittany Mullins (13)

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◆ Susan Goosen, Church Council Secretary ◆

# COUNCIL MINUTES

Congregational Council Meeting  
Wednesday April 15, 2026

The Congregational Council of St. Paul's Lutheran Church met on Wednesday April 15, 2026. Those present were Chairman Jake Jackson, Pastor Stephen Zeller, Justin Tinney, Lynn Schear, Erin Oelrichs, Greg Bredehoeft, Roy Wagner, Melinda Strathman and Susan Goosen.

**Call to Order:** Chairman Jake Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:21.

**Devotions:** Pastor Stephen led the group in discussion on article XV from the Augsburg Confession.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the March meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was

made by Justin and seconded by Greg. Motion passed. Minutes filed.

**Financial Report:** Norma Schlesselman gave the financial report. Norma distributed a printout about the Insurance cost for the church. There will be more information on this and the Council will make a decision at the next meeting. A motion to approve the report was made by Justin and seconded by Lynn. Motion passed report filed.

**Pastor's report:**  
 Upcoming events-  
 Church Skating Party: April 19  
 Lois Viebrock Retirement celebration : April 26  
 Honoring graduating seniors: May 3

Jordyn Wienberg baptism: May 3  
 Confirmation Service: May 24  
 World Hunger Fish Fry: May 31  
 Lent and Easter: A huge THANK YOU to everyone who pitched in to help make sure the activities for the season went smoothly.

**Committee Reports:**  
**Congregational Ministry and Evangelism:** Nothing to report at this time.

**Worship:** Organ repair work can now move forward. Lois's retirement celebration will take place with a dinner on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Council will be presenting her

<u>Worship Attendance (in person):</u>	
Mar 14: 18	Mar 15: 120
Mar 21: xx	Mar 22: 129
Mar 28: 9	Mar 29: 147
(Palm Saturday)	(Palm Sunday)
Apr 2: 40	Apr. 3: 40
(Maundy Thursday)	(Good Friday)
Apr. 4: 14	Apr. 5: 84
(Easter Saturday)	(Easter Sunrise Vigil)
	Apr. 5: 168
	(Easter Service)
Apr. 11: xx	Apr. 12: 85
	(Pastor Stephen Vacation)
Lent Midweek Services:	
40(2/25), 43(3/4), 38(3/11), 39(3/18), 33(3/25)	



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with a framed picture that everyone can sign.

**Budget/ Stewardship:** The World Hunger Fish Fry will be held on May 31. Fish will be needed.

**Parish Education:** Thanks to those who made the egg hunt a huge success.

**Property:**

Roy fixed the exhaust fan in the bathroom in the daycare and oiled the fellowship hall door. He also replaced a bulb in the east balcony.

Siding/ addition: Roy obtained the paperwork to explain the variance that will be needed for us to build on to the shed. We do not have the 25 ft. set back needed. He and Jake will get together to fill out necessary form to apply for the variance.

Elevette replacement: We have had more contributions towards the cost of this endeavor. Jake will get in touch with Marc Schultz about a start date on the wall being moved and then ordering the elevette.

Shades in Fellowship Hall: Remote controlled shades were discussed and will be looked into.

Highway signs: Lane Johnson was contacted, the cost of the two signs would be \$1200 and

he would do the design for free. Roy made a motion to spend the \$1200 to get the signs made, Melinda seconded. Motion passed.

Daycare: Pre-School is now accepting enrollment for 3 and 4 year olds. Annette would like to make the Pre-School a three day program, Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursday for next year.

Sanctuary wall repairs: We can now move forward. Project will likely take place in late May.

AED cabinet to be installed. We have had word that there may be a possible donation of another AED.

There will be a meeting soon to see about getting started on the float.

The Bishop has informed the council that the by-laws on the voting age are contradicting our Church's Constitution. We will have to revise and resubmit. The discussion and revote will take place at the Annual Meeting.

Adjournment: Melinda made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Lynn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer at 8:23.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Goosen  
Church Council Secretary



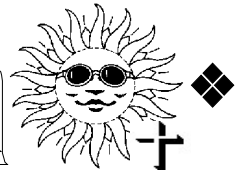
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# St. Paul's Sunbeam

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St. Paul's Mission Statement  
"BEING TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S  
GRACE TO LOVE AND SERVE."

**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

Second Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Communion at the Altar

**Sunday, June 14, 2026**

Third Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Communion by Stations

**Sunday, June 21, 2026**

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Father's Day  
Holy Communion by Stations

**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Communion by Stations

Come! Worship at St. Paul's

First, Second and Fourth Saturday  
Evening

5:30 P.M. - Casual Worship

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Every Sunday Morning  
10:00 A.M. - Worship

**You can also find our worship services  
online, or call us to receive a DVD copy:**

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