

News and Notes of Interest

2017 Contribution Envelopes are ready to be picked up in the church narthex.

LWML: The All Officers Meeting for the Beatrice Zone LWML will be held on Saturday, February 18, at Zion, Tobias. Coffee and refreshments will be served beginning at 8:30am and the meeting will begin at 9:00am. All Zone and Society Officers should try to attend or send someone in your place.

CHURCH SERVICE: We will be having a church service in the school gym at 10:30 AM on Sunday, February 26th in place of the 10:30am service at church. The students will sing at this service.

STEWARDSHIP: **Matthew 8:26-27** “And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.” And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Jesus diagnoses the disciples fear as being caused by a lack of faith in Him. Indeed, every one of our temptations to sin is really about our faith – will we trust the Lord or not? It's the same with our stewardship – will we trust the Lord's Word when it comes to supporting the Lord's ministry, or will our lives be dictated by fear and a lack of trust in God's provision?

DORCAS BOUTIQUE: The Boutique has occasional cards and Bibles. Stop on by to see their selections. The Boutique is open between services on Sundays.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers to assist the hearing impaired.

KIDS BULLETINS & BUSY BAGS for your child to use and return are available in the Narthex (entryway) of the church. If you need assistance, please ask an usher or greeter.

CHURCH WEBSITE: Make sure you visit the church website from time to time at www.stpaulbeatrice.org to see what is new.

DID YOU KNOW ... that Individual (Private) Confession and Absolution is available upon request here at St. Paul's? If you have questions about this

practice, read LSB 326 and look at the Rite in the hymnal (LSB 292). If you have questions, and/or desire Private Confession and Absolution, contact Pastor Irmer.

The LYF is collecting items for the local Coat Pantry. This is a service to members of our community who are not fortunate enough to have items to get through the cold weather. A container is in narthex to drop off your coats, stocking caps, scarves, gloves, and mittens. The Pantry is especially in need of children's items. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!

LYF MEMBERS: This includes all youth grades 6-12. We are having a movie night on Sunday, January 29 at 6:00pm in the church basement. Please come and bring a friend!! We will have a devotion, watch a movie, and order pizza. Please bring your own drink. See you and a friend on the 29th!

OFFERING CAMPAIGN: A campaign has been organized by the Stewardship Committee to move our church forward and to meet our financial goals. You may make your special offering to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and put Offering Campaign in the memo line. Thank you!!

LYF MEMEBERS: Youth interested in attending the National Youth Gathering in Minneapolis July 11-15, 2019: Would you please let Carla Loemker know if you are interested in attending this Gathering? Youth that are eligible must be at least 14 years old at the time of the Gathering OR entering his or her freshman year of high school at the time of the Gathering. Youth that have graduated in 2019 are still eligible to attend. We need to make some plans soon for fundraising. We will be serving the Soup Luncheon on February 26 and serving the Easter Breakfast on April 16. You may contact Carla at carlaloemker@hotmail.com or 402-520-0015. Please respond if you are just *thinking* about going. This is not a permanent commitment at this point.



Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany January 29, 2017

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WELCOME TO St. Paul's Lutheran Church: We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home and are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, or if you are interested in becoming a member here at St. Paul's, please contact Pastor Irmer, 402-228-1540.

The Sacrament of the Altar is the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with and under the bread and wine for us Christians to eat and drink, instituted by Christ Himself. As we receive the Lord's Supper together, witness is also given that we are united in the faith we confess (one in doctrine). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord, and in love for you, St. Paul's follows the Biblical and historic practice of closed communion.

ALL GUESTS must visit with our pastor before coming to the altar to receive the Lord's Supper. If you do not have opportunity to visit with our pastor prior to the service, he is more than willing to visit with you during the week.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: We pray for ...

- In the wisdom of Almighty God Loree Crouse was delivered from this veil of tears to the nearer presence of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Funeral service will be here, Tuesday at 10:00am.
- Dottie Jurgens, Maxine Kyles, Loretta Mohling, Monetta Meyer, Delbert Rahe
- Continuing prayers: Judy Braun, Lodeen Clausen, Dawn Crosier, Leonard Esch, June Martin, Berniece Pfungsten, and Ann Kelley.

Please call 402-228-1540 by Thursday if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

In His Service

Preacher: Rev. John Kirk

Organist: Carolyn Brott

8:00am Service

Acolytes: Noah Hagemeyer, Kiera Whitfield, Ellie Whitfield

Elders: Norbert Meyer, David Doering

Greeters: Floice Meyer, Ruth Poppe

Ushers: Dale Hagemeyer, Cliff Kumm, Brad Long, Steve Schmidt

10:30am Service

Acolytes: Joseph Wright, Dawson Loomis, Kamree Weishahn

Elders: Robert Frerking, Wilferd Deke

Greeters: Dale & Rhonda Rickers

Ushers: Wilferd Deke, Brian Hoops, Ron Meyer, Steven Sandman, Vaughn Wright

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Friends of St. Paul's.

Today's bulletin is sponsored in honor of Delores Rahe's birthday, which was January 28th, by Delbert Rahe and family.

RADIO & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS for 2017: Radio Broadcasts are available for January 29 and February 5. **Bulletin Sponsorships** are available for February 5, February 26, and March 12. Other dates are available, but the most current dates are listed here. Radio sponsorships cost \$100 and bulletin sponsorships cost \$20. Please call Kelly in the church office if you are interested in sponsoring a date.

The Lord's Week

Today	8:00	Divine Service
	9:15	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
	10:30	Divine Service
Monday	7:00	Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Tuesday	12:00	Ladies Quilting
	6:30	Social Club
Thursday	12:00	Ladies Quilting
	7:00	Choir Practice
Sunday	8:00	Divine Service
	9:15	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
	10:30	Divine Service

Church office hours are 8:30am-1:30pm, Monday thru Friday.

Reformation Quote from Martin Luther - Matt. 8:23-27

“The sea swells when it is tossed by the wind and storms, and by its swirling billows it threatens the dike, as it were, or the shore surrounding it, just as though it were about to flow out over all the lands of the earth. ‘But I have set a limit for it,’ says God. So the shore does not fear the threats and the swelling of the sea. In this way the devil rises up against the church and hurls dire threats at the godly and stirs up violence and destruction for them. But He who has set a limit for the sea calms also these billows so that Satan cannot rage according to his liking.” Luther's Works 6:38

JANUARY VOTERS MEETING: At the January voters meeting the congregation requested Pastor Irmer's resignation in conjunction with a severance agreement. Pastor Irmer has complied and his resignation is effective February 1st.

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