News and Notes of Interest

THANK YOU: The Dorcas Society says thank you to the many generous people who volunteered their time and/or donated food for the recent funerals. Your generosity went far beyond expectation. Please remember to pick up your dishes in the kitchen.

<u>NEWSLETTER</u> – Information to be included in the March newsletter needs to be submitted to the church office by Monday, February 20th.

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.

RADIO & BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS for 2017:

Radio Broadcasts are available for May 7. Bulletin Sponsorships are available for April 23, April 30, May 7, and May 14. 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.

STEWARDSHIP: Matthew 20:9 "And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius." Behold the generosity of God! He gives out of His grace, not what we deserve to receive. Living a godly life means living in imitation of God—and surely one of the foundations of God's being is His generosity.

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

<u>Hearing assistance devices</u> are available from the ushers to assist the hearing impaired.

<u>KIDS BULLETINS & BUSY BAGS</u> 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.

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

<u>DID YOU KNOW</u> ... 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 the church office.

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. This is an ongoing campaign, so feel free to make your contributions in increments. Thank you!!

Beatrice Community Blood Drive will be held at the Holiday Inn Express on Wednesday, February 22nd 12:00pm-6:00pm and Thursday, February 23rd 7:00am-1:00pm. To schedule an appointment, call Joann at 402-228-0260 or go online www.redcrossblood.org.



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St. Paul's Lutheran School

930 Prairie Lane 402-223-3414 Mrs. Amy Duever, Principal aduever@diodecom.net 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 the church office.

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.

<u>ALL GUESTS</u> 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 ...

- Dottie Jurgens, Loretta Mohling, Monetta Meyer
- Continuing prayers: Judy Braun, Lodeen Clausen, Dawn Crosier, Leonard Esch, June Martin, 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. Dirk Reek
Organist: Beverly Duensing

8:00am Service

Acolytes: Adam Riekenberg, Mackenzie Holthus, Alex Holle

Elders: Bob Frerking

Greeters:

Ushers: Terry Brethouwer, Jeff Junker Vern Rogge, David Trout

10:30am Service

Acolytes: Noah Hagemeier, Sarah Scheer, Brandon Scheer

Elders: David Doering, Mike Southwick Greeters: Wilferd Deke, Dorothy Daubendiek

Ushers: Dave Taylor, LaVerne Malchow, Roger Mohling

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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/Tying
Wednesday 2:30		Catechism
	7:00	Elders
Thursday	12:00	Ladies Quilting
Saturday	10:00	Altar Guild
Sunday	8:00	Divine Service
	9:15	Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
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<u>Church office hours</u> are 8:30am-1:30pm, Monday thru Friday.

Reformation Quote from Martin Luther - Matt. 20:1–16 "[W]ith respect to the appearances of Christ after His resurrection ... there arose a common rejoicing and praising of God, each one praising the grace bestowed on another, yet most of all that bestowed on himself, however much more modest it was than that of the other. So simple- hearted were they that all desired to be foremost, not in possessing the gifts but in praising and loving God; for God Himself and His bare goodness were sufficient for them, however small His gifts. But, the hirelings and the mercenaries grow green with envy when they observe that they are not first and foremost in possessing the good things of God (Matt. 20:11, 12)." Luther's Works 21:319

GUEST PASTORS:

Conducting Sunday morning worship for us during the month of February is Rev. Dirk Reek of Lincoln. Pastor Reek served in parish ministry in Illinois, Indiana, and Nebraska. He undertook specialized work in congregations in the late 90's and early 2000's. From 2004 until his retirement last year, he taught theology and philosophy at Concordia University Nebraska. A native of Indiana, he is a graduate of Purdue University, Concordia Theological Seminary, Concordia Seminary, and Trinity College and Seminary. He and his wife Barbara are the parents of two adult daughters and have two grandchildren.

Conducting Monday night worship for us during the month of February is Rev. Tim Brisbois.

Rev. Kevin Kohnke is our on-call pastor. He will be visiting the sick and shut-ins. For pastoral emergencies, please contact the church office.

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