



*St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Beatrice, Nebraska
News and Notes of Interest*

THANK YOU to the students of St. Paul's Lutheran School for singing "For the Fruits of His Creation" during the 10:30am service this morning.

THANK YOU to everyone who has generously provided assistance in serving the recent funerals at St. Paul's. Your help is always greatly appreciated. We are always in need of persons to serve the day of a funeral and to provide food. Dorcas

THANK YOU for all your prayers, calls, visits, cards, and concerns since the passing of my daughter-in-law, Carolyn Lohse. Thank you to Pastor Reek, for your loving care and visits. Norma Lohse

What does it mean to be a Lutheran Christian? Several have asked, "So what do Lutherans believe about the Christian faith?" In order to help respond to that, a series of classes to introduce the Christian faith have begun. The next class will be Sunday, November 12th at 1:00pm in the fellowship hall. We will address specifically some of the key ways Lutherans have a specific slant on some questions. Pastor Reek is conducting this class.

YOU ARE INVITED: All congregation members are invited to attend the December 6th meeting of the Dorcas Society in the fellowship hall at 1:00pm. Special guest speaker, Dorothy Zimmerman, will share her experiences while representing the Rotary Club International as a health care worker in other countries. Dorothy is a former nurse and administrator at the Beatrice Community Hospital. The presentation will begin promptly at 1:00pm, followed by fellowship time. This should be an interesting and informative presentation. For further information contact Carline Mencl 402-223-5580 or Fritzie Ellis 402-228-1624.

RECOGNITION OF AN INDIVIDUAL:

Our church and school have numerous volunteers and leaders that contribute to our organizations. The Stewardship Committee is offering an opportunity to recognize these individuals. This recognition will come from each of you as you have the opportunity to nominate someone to be recognized. This recognition will be listed in the monthly newsletter. How do you nominate? There is a colorful box in the narthex with nomination forms beside it. Simply fill out the form and drop it in the box. This will be an ongoing project, and you are welcome to nominate numerous times. Thank you!!

LYF: Interested in what activities are coming up. Please make sure you check the Youth Bulletin Board in the narthex.

Thank you to those who have volunteered to host coffee times following first service!

We feel so blessed to have had such a wonderful response! Signup sheets are on the bulletin board by the kitchen window. Remember, coffee, cups and other supplies are provided, you just provide and serve the treats and coffee.

Donations in the next few months have been designated to making upgrades to the radio broadcasting equipment. We have so many possibilities for outreach using our radio broadcasts but there are some technology broadcasting items that should be updated or replaced. A cost estimate isn't available just yet, but your coffee donations will help with this project. Thank you!

DVD's available to check out!

1. The Luther film on DVD shown during Bible Class in October.
2. A DVD of Pastor Reek's first Intentional Interim Report on September 10.
3. A DVD of the Community Forum held Nov 5.

All DVD's may be checked out through the church office.



CHRISTMAS CARDS:

Dorcas Boutique has a new section of Christmas cards. Stop on by to see their selections. A box of 12 cards is \$5. The Boutique is open between services on Sundays or you may contact the church office during the week.

LWML Christmas Tea: (all women are encouraged to attend) Sunday, December 3, 2017, 1:30-3:30pm in the church basement. Bring: Tea Sandwiches or cookies to share. Theme: Angels Among Us (Hebrews 13:2)

CHRISTMAS CAROLING:

Come one, come all!!! The LYF and their families welcome congregational members to join them as they share the love of Christ by Christmas Caroling on December 10th. We will meet at the church at 1:30pm. Youth bring your friends!!! Afterwards, we will join together in the church basement for a time of fellowship. Everyone is encouraged to bring a treat to share. There will be hot chocolate to warm up!

TIME TO DECORATE: The Board for Parish Education will be decorating the church for the Christmas season on Monday, November 27 at 7:45pm (after church). They are looking for volunteers who would be willing to lend a helping hand. If you are willing to help decorate the church for Christmas, please plan to come.

WREATH ORDERS: The LYF will be taking orders for wreaths from Pinecrest Tree Farm during the month of October. The cost of the wreaths will be \$25. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex or you may contact any LYF member who is selling them. They will be delivered the week before Thanksgiving. The money raised will help with expenses for youth attending the 2019 National Youth Gathering. If you have any questions you may contact Julie Sandman at 402-239-7644 or juliesandman@gmail.com. Thanks for your support.



POINSETTIA:

If you would like to furnish a Poinsettia for our chancel at Christmas, complete an order form located in the narthex and return to the church office of in the offering plate by Sunday, December 10. Cost per poinsettia is \$16.

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stpaulbeatrice.org*